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REGULAR MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

1st Monday in each month	7.30pm Monday Sisters	The Sun
1st Wednesday in each month	7.45pm Pub Quiz	The Sun
2nd Tuesday every other month	7.30pm Parish Council Meetings (Jan/Mar/May/July/Sept/Nov)	Committee Room
2nd Thursday in each month	3.00pm Thursday Club	Committee Room
3rd Tuesday in each month	7.30pm WI	Committee Room

CHURCH OFFICERS

Rector	Vacant. Please contact the Churchwarden.	
Lay Leaders of Worship	Rosemary Drewery	(07792 926 004)
	Jane Templeman	(07885 617 583)
Churchwarden	Sue Whitehouse	(781300)
Treasurer	Stephen Hill	(781064)

Editor Jane Carwithen (782185) or email janecarwithen@gmail.com

Items to be with the Editor for the next edition by NOON on 25th of the month



Parish Online: www.felmersham.net

July 2019

A LETTER FROM THE CHURCHWARDEN

Sue Whitehead

Since Father Reuben left for Scotland last October, the Sharnbrook Benefice has been without a Rector but after months of preparation and deliberation I am now pleased to report that we have a new priest to lead the Christian life of the parishes.

A précis of the formal letter from the Bishop of Bedford, informing us of the appointment, is below.

The Revd Di Leo is giving up his career to serve God and this community full time and we look forward to getting to know him and helping him to develop his role here among us.

He will not be with us until the Autumn and in the meantime we continue to be admirably served by the retired clergy of our parishes, Fr MacDonald, Revd Lionel Albon and by Revd Vicky Raymer. We are most grateful to all of them.

THE BISHOP OF BEDFORD

The Right Reverend Richard Atkinson OBE

I am delighted that we are now in a position to confirm that the Reverend Paolo Di Leo is to be your new Rector.

Paolo is currently Assistant Curate at St Margaret's Streatley, near Luton. He trained for the ministry at Eastern Regional Ministerial College exiting with a BA Hons from Durham University in Theology Ministry and Mission. Prior to ordination he worked as a senior executive for a multinational internet software company. Paolo is married to Fiona. They have 5 grown up children and three grandchildren,

It is hoped that Paolo will be licensed as your Rector sometime in the late Autumn. The date will be confirmed as soon as possible. In the meantime, you will remain very much in my prayers.

Thank you for all the hard work that you and others have given to the parish and the mission of the Church during the vacancy.

Services at St Mary's, Felmersham

NB May be subject to change—please check the noticeboard by the Lych Gate for details

Thursday 4 July	9.30am Morning Prayer
Sunday 7 July	No Service at St Mary's 10.30am Benefice Parish Eucharist for St Peter's Festival
Thursday 11 July	9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 14 July	<i>4th Sunday after Trinity</i> 11am Parish Communion
Thursday 18 July	9.30am Morning Prayer
Sunday 21 July	<i>5th Sunday after Trinity</i> No Service at St Mary's 11am Holy Communion at St James in Radwell (SEE BELOW)
Thursday 25 July	<i>James the Apostle</i> 9.30am Holy Communion
Sunday 28 July	<i>6th Sunday after Trinity</i>

ST JAMES' DAY

There is **NO SERVICE** at St Mary's on the 21July. Instead there is a **Celebration for St James with Parish Communion at 11am at Radwell Hall Farm, Radwell** (the farm on the right just before the river bridge). This is an open air service to celebrate St James' day, held where it is thought a chapel dedicated to St James once stood. Join us for this special, outside service sitting on hay bales, surrounded by nature. If the weather is inclement, or too hot, the Service will be held in a barn.

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ENTERTAINING ANGELS

Monday 9th – Saturday 14th September at 7.30 pm

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Tickets: 01933 277520 / referrals@servicesix.co.uk

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PAGE TO STAGE

Sunday, 1st September, 6pm in the Clubroom

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Susan Moore on 01933 318318 In aid of the 'Warm-Up/Cool-Down' Appeal

COFFEE MORNING: SATURDAY 6 JULY

Jane Wells

The **July Coffee Morning** to raise funds for the Church Restoration Fund will be hosted at the home of **Peter and Maria Hood, Felmersham, on Saturday 6 July at 10.30am.**

Contributions to the bring and buy stall are welcome (toiletries, bric a brac, cakes, produce etc...). Everyone welcome.

The **Coffee Morning in August** will be hosted by Laurie and May Mills, Felmersham on Saturday 3 August at 10.30am.

TEAS IN THE CHURCH Wednesday 17 July from 3.00 - 4.30pm

Do come along and join us for a cuppa and a piece of cake. Bring your friends and neighbours for a chat, to meet others and to find out what is happening in the village. Everyone and all ages are welcome.

Teas in the Church will also take place on **Wednesday** 21 August and 18 September.

CHURCHYARD TIDY UP

Sue Whitehouse

My thanks to those who turned up to help with a few essential tasks including the regular wobble test we have to carry out on the gravestones as part of health and safety requirements.

As always, there is more to do, so the next session will be on Sunday 7th. July from 2-4pm.

All volunteers with hand tools and weed bucket will be most welcome. Tea, biscuits and chat will be provided.

JOHN BUNYAN MUSEUM Bedford

Tuesday 2nd July to Saturday 27th October 2019 (During normal museum opening)

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Tuesday-Thursday 16.00-23.00
Friday and Saturday 11.00-23.00
Sunday 11.00-16.30

Dining Hours:
Monday, Kitchen Closed
Tuesday-Thursday 18.00-20.30
Friday and Saturday
12.00-15.00 & 18.00-21.30
Sunday 12.00-15.00

Having been at The Sun for a few months now we would like to thank everyone for making us so welcome and for continuing to support the village pub. We are very grateful.

We are excited to try some new things out over the summer as well as continuing to serve local, seasonal and affordable food and drink.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Pete & Conny

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Open Gardens in the area

Sunday 7 July **Docwra's Manor** 2 Meldreth Road, Shepreth, Cambs, SG8 6PS

Open 2.00pm - 5.00pm

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Sunday 14 July **Howbury Hall** St Neots Road, Renhold, Beds, MK41 0JB

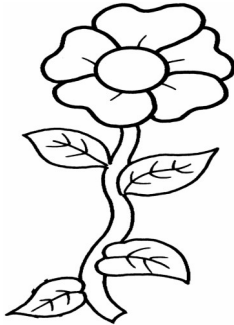
Open 1.30pm - 5.00pm

A beautiful Grade II Listed mansion rebuilt in 1849, sitting in a park of about 100 acres with a 10 acre traditional garden at the centre of a busy farm.

To find out more about these gardens and others in the surrounding counties, see www.redcross.org.uk/OpenGardens.

FELMERSHAM & RADWELL

21st AUTUMN SHOW and Art Exhibition



SHOW SCHEDULE

Sunday 8th September 2019

Pinchmill Hall

Open for viewing 2.30 – 4.30 pm

Teas provided by Felmersham & Radwell WI

Sponsored by Milton Ernest Garden Centre

**Look out for the schedules which will be
delivered this month**

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Denise Canning

The Manor at Hemingford Grey, near Huntingdon, was the destination for our June outing. Built in Norman times, circa 1130, the Manor is one of the oldest continuously inhabited houses in England. Most of the Norman house remains intact, despite various changes over nine centuries.

In 1939, the Manor was bought by the authoress Lucy Boston, and was made famous when she recreated it as the house and garden in her series of six Green Knowe books. In summer Lucy created the beautiful garden, and in winter, as well as writing, she made many exquisite patchworks, most of which are on display. Rarely can such an important collection be seen in the house in which they were made; they are famous all over the world.

After our tour conducted by Lucy's daughter-in-law Diana, we walked to the Community Cafe for tea and of course cakes. A lovely way to spend an afternoon!

INFORMAL SUMMER PLAY SESSIONS

Rosie Cheetham

Bring your bikes/scooters, a couple of toys and a smile! It's all very informal and there's no set plan - it is simply a chance to get together with other families over the summer holidays, without having to spend any money or travel very far! Every Wednesday morning 10-12 at the bottom of Marriotts Close (near the alleyway through to the High Rd). Please note that the road will not be closed to traffic and parents will be responsible for supervising their own children.

If you are new to the village or would like some more information, feel free to give me a call - Rosie Cheetham 781046.

MARIE CURIE CHANNEL TO THE MED BIKE RIDE 2019

Marc Cheetham

Marc and David are still in training for the Channel to Med Bike Challenge 2019 raising money for Marie Curie. They really will be cycling the length of France! If you'd like to sponsor them here's the link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/marccheetham2018>

