CHURCH PAPER FEBRUARY 2013



Church of St. Peter & St. Paul King's Sutton

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There is a German hymn which begins: 'Das, was Gott Freude macht...' 'Whatever makes God joyful brings great joy to us also'. The idea of things making God joyful may be a rather strange idea, but God delights in the things which he has made and in us being full of life and joy. I think we have an innate desire for joy and sometimes it can be driven out by fear and those things which drag us down. If our lives are not joyful then we are missing out on an essential aspect of our humanity. We need our sense of wonder and delight, a sense of celebration in life. Despite of so much which is painful and life-denying in our world, it is a place of beauty and joy.

Moods are part of ourselves which we have to reckon with. For self-knowledge is a gift from God to us. Moods vary, of course, but to allow ourselves to spoil life for those around us, perhaps not deliberately so, often we do it in spite of ourselves. But putting self at centre-stage in some way makes for misery for others and indeed for ourselves.

I think it was Robert Louis Stevenson who said we had a duty to be happy. And that surely applies to our moods. We mustn't let joy and delight get pushed out by self-centredness. Going out from myself in love and joy to those around us is a sure way of over-coming my self-absorption, and that brings delight and joy to the face of God.

Lent begins this month on the 13th, and perhaps these weeks of preparation for Easter may be time when we can try not so much to give things up, but to find joy and delight in our lives and to master by God's grace our less than good moods. And find a new joy.

Fr Roger



AN HOUR....

Fr Roger is again offering an hour to anyone who would like to talk with him. Just phone 01295 811364 or email rogerbellamy@hotmail.co.uk to arrange a time.

PARISH CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

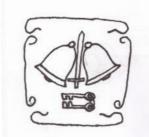
Every six years, the Parish Church Electoral Roll is completely revised, in order to give an accurate picture of current church membership. No names are automatically carried over from the last roll. This year, 2013, the revisionary period will start on February 14th. If you are already on the roll, you will be receiving a letter, together with a new form to complete. If you are not on the roll, and would like to join, then please contact either the Wardens, or Sue Allen (810967). Forms will also be available at the back of church. The eligibility criteria will be displayed on the church porch notice board. Forms can be returned in these ways:

- By returning them to a church service and handing to the wardens or Sue Allen.
- By posting the forms through the letterbox in the sacristy at the back of church.
- By dropping in to: 26 Glebe Rise, King's Sutton.

LOGO: Thank you to all those that submitted entries for a Church LOGO. Father Roger chose two winners as follows.

- 1. The logo to be seen on the front of this church paper was submitted by Sue Allen and will be seen on most future items of communication relating to parish church matters.
- 2. The logo opposite was submitted by 10 year old Dora Neill and this will be used in connection with sending out communications relating to children.

Book tokens are on their way to the two winners.



From the Registers

2012

November 16th: Confirmation of Florence Chilvers, Phil Chong,

Danielle Edwards and Jane Finch

December 1st: Baptism of Talia-Rose Jasmine Murray-Childs

December 9th: Baptism of Ethan David Barratt

2013

February 24th: Funeral followed by cremation of Helen Powell.

A CELEBRATION OF WORK - FEBRUARY 9TH - 10TH

As part of the Church' **Year of Faith & Mission** Father Roger has invited local business men and women to take part in a 'Celebration of Work' event as above. Anyone that works in the parish or runs a business from home here in King's Sutton can come and set up a small display to demonstrate to village residents just what work is done here and to celebrate that fact. The event will be launched by Councillor Ian Morris on Saturday morning (9th) at 11.00 am and, over refreshments, you can get to know who our local business people are and what type of business they are involved in. The displays will be in place on both days of the weekend and refreshments will be available throughout that time as well. Do come and see what it is all about and share in the success of businesses in our village.



Happy New Year!

There were some wonderful Christmas events during December that welcomed families and lots of children to the Church.

Crib Service and Christmas Party



The children enjoyed the Christmas story, readings, hymns, prayers and the service closed whilst families gathered round the crib.

The celebrations then continued in the church room with a children's party (pictured), including great food, cakes and hats!

Christmas Day

Christmas day saw a good number of people in church. With the family worship regulars and visitors there were plenty of helpers to light candles at the crib and sing Away in a Manger with Fr. Roger. It was a joyful time and everyone loved looking at the crib and the tree (and sharing in the sweets at the end of the service!).

King's Kids (After School Club) Thursday 10 January 3.30pm – 5pm

As you will see we now have a name! This session was attended by 21 children and themed around the coming of the Three Kings.

After our snack time we talked about the Kings coming to see Jesus and the gifts that they gave him. The children then made crowns which they decorated with lots of different materials including a lot of glitter! Also they were able to decorate boxes with their name and stamped pictures. These were to represent the gifts for Jesus.

When they had finished their craftwork there were games to play. We ended with a prayer as usual. Everyone, including the Mums who stayed had a lot of fun. So did the team!



Coming Up

February has more great family services coming up. Plus look out for lots of events happening during Lent and Easter.

King's Kids

Thursday 7 February 3.30pm – 5pm

Come and join the team for a busy afternoon of craft, games, and fun all based around a topical theme and starting with a snack!

Christingle 3rd February 4pm

Do come along to this service which is held in conjunction with the Children's Society. To give you a head start on Christingle itself, below is the image of a Christingle and the details of what it represents.



The orange – represents the world The red ribbon –

indicates the love and blood of Christ

symbolises Jesus, the light of the world

The dried fruits and sweets – symbols of God's creations

The lit candle –

Dates for your Diary Service/Event

Christingle	3 Feb
King's Kids (After School)	7 Feb
Parents and Toddlers	8 Feb
Parents and Toddlers	22 Fel
Family Worship (Eucharist)	24 Fel
Parents and Toddlers	8 Ma
Mothering Sunday	10 M
Parents and Toddlers	22 M
Family Worship	24 M

Date	Time
3 February	4.00pm
7 February	3.30pm
8 February	9.30am
22 February	9.30am
24 February	10.00am
8 March	9.30am
10 March	11.00am
22 March	9.30am
24 March	10.00am

SECOND HAND BOOK SALE

Saturday, 23rd of February is the day to come to the Memorial Hall to pick up your reading......loads of bargains, with paperbacks 50p and hardbacks £1.50. There will be a stall with special interest and nearly-new books (bargain presents!). You never know what you

might find...so come along and enjoy a 'rummage' for a literary masterpiece!

Doors open at 1pm and close at 4.30pm. There will also be a raffle, stalls and teas. On display too will

be the church's latest piece of merchandise...a tea towel depicting the church, which will be on sale at £3.50. Ideal for a little Easter pressy! Anyone wishing to donate books to this event, please bring them on the day, or ring 01295 810967 beforehand to arrange a delivery time.

LENT LUNCHES

Light lunches consisting of homemade soups and breads will be served on Fridays during Lent, except for Good Friday. The lunches will be held in the Church Room at 12.30pm on: February 15th and 22nd, March 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd. The lunches are free, but any donations will be sent to the Neuroblastoma Society – fighting childhood cancer.

Celebration of Light

The all-night floodlighting of the church has been sponsored in memory of:

4 th	November	Edwin McGinlay - 100 th Birthday
22 nd	November	Carole Hawkins
26 th	November	Sophie Hamilton
6 th	December	Moira Holcombe
12 th	December	Audrey Worker
25 th	December	Nick Nice
30 th	December	George Allen
5 th	January 2013	Betty Reid
18 th	Januarv	Sara Juliet Charles-Jones

The November tea time concert held on 25th November was given by The Banbury based choral group **Impromptu.** This enthusiastic group performed songs from the popular shows including Oliver, Pickwick, Les Miserables and an Andrew Lloyd Webber medley. The group mingled with members of the audience over tea and cakes at the end.

The **Adderbury Ensemble** provided the music for our candlelight event on 16th December. Music by Corelli, Benjamin, Pachelbel, Vivaldi and Bach were well received by the audience and set the scene well for the final run up to the Christmas season.

The next concert in the 'Sounds Good' series takes place on **Sunday, February 24**th at 3pm. Come and escape from the gloom of winter in the company of local artistes performing music from classics to modern 'On the wings of song'! The concert is free to enter, and will be followed by tea and cakes.

Further concerts that are known are listed below. The programme of events that has been produced gives music lovers of King's Sutton and surrounding area the opportunity to hear first class international standard artistes without having to leave the village. So do come along; there is something here for everyone.

March 23rd	Marcus Huxley (Birmingham Cathedral): organ
April 21 st	Tori Handsley Harpist
May 26 th	Alissa Firsova Pianist
June 8 th	Jonathan Kingston: organ
tbc	Come and Sing 'Vivaldi's Gloria'
September 21st	Hallmark of Harmony (Sheffield) Barbershop
October 19 th	Brackley Junior Brass Band
November	tba
December 14 th	Adderbury Ensemble

Calendar of Services for February 2013

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Fri	1	Mass 12 noon
Sat	2	Candlemas: Mass 10am
Sun	3	Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple
		Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Christingle 4pm
Mon	4	
Tue	5	Mass 9.30am
Weds	6	Martyrs of Japan: Mass 7pm
Thurs	7	
Fri	8	Parent and Toddlers' Worship 9.30am; Mass 12 noon
Sat	9	CELEBRATION OF WORK 9-10
		Mass 10am; Opening of Celebration 10.45am
Sun	10	Sunday before Lent
		Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm
Mon	11	
Tue	12	Mass 9 30am
Weds	13	Ash Wednesday
		Mass at Newbottle at 10am; Sung Mass with ashing 7.30pm
Thurs	14	
Fri	15	Mass 12 noon
Sat	16	Mass 10am
Sun	17	Lent I
		Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; The Litany sung 6pm
Mon	18	
Tue	19	Mass 9.30am
Weds	20	Mass 7pm
Thurs	21	
Fri	22	Parent and Toddlers' Worship 9.30am; Mass 12 noon
Sat	23	S Polycarp: Mass for OLW 10am
Sun	24	Lent II
		Mass 8am; Family Worship 10am; Sung Mass 11am;
		Evensong with prayer for healing 6pm
Mon	25	
Tue	26	Mass 9.30am
Weds	27	George Herbert: Mass 7pm
Thurs	28	
Fri	1	S David: Women's World Day of Prayer 10.30am