

CHURCH NEWSLETTER JULY 2013



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

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I spent some time in Bologna earlier in the summer. It is a lovely city with arcades lining the streets, designed to keep you sheltered from the winds and rain of winter and the heat of summer. Actually it was only warm, but did rain a few times and then we were glad of the shelter!



It is a city of ancient buildings and art: the Galleria Nazionale only has paintings by Bolognese artists and these are of the highest quality. The churches are many and huge, among them a Classical Basilica of S Dominic where the saint is enshrined. But the part of the place I liked the most was

the cloister. It has open arches on three sides and the church transept on the fourth. There is a low wall on which I sat in the sun reflecting on life and God, and it was great to enjoy the stillness and peace. The space of the courtyard has diagonal paths marked by low hedges – about a metre high – and in the quarters grass, but as with so many Italian “lawns” actually quite long grass with wild flowers growing.

This cloister is a real one in that there is a Dominican Friary there and we saw a number of the friars around the city, but few visitors find this and it is a place which will stay long in my memory.

It reminds me that we all need quiet spaces in our lives. Those who live in cities certainly need them, but I think we country dwellers do too. For in these spaces not only can we reflect on our lives and what we are doing, but also God may speak to us. So I hope you have your “cloister” places.

Fr Roger



The International pianist, **Alissa Firsova** was the latest star performer to give a concert in the Parish Church *Sounds Good* concert series on 26th May. Playing classical pieces by Beethoven, Brahms and Rachmaninov she captivated the audience with her touch and her tremendous ability to bring light and shade to her programme. Alissa, no stranger to King's Sutton Church, gave a commentary throughout and made everyone feel part of her concert.

Jonathan Kingston, former Organist of King's Sutton Parish Church, and now Director of Music at Bromsgrove School, gave a really delightful programme of wedding music favourites on the church organ on 8th June in the next of the *Sounds Good* concert series. Members of the church had been asked to provide examples of their own wedding pieces, and Jonathan was then left to select some to turn into his programme together with others that he wanted to play. Included in the programme were the well known favourites, Mendelssohn's Wedding March, Widor's Toccata, Pachelbel's Canon and music from the Royal Fireworks Suite by Handel. Other musical delights, not quite so well known, but just as enjoyable made for a very pleasant and relaxing evening.

If there are any more questionnaires still to come please drop them in at 26, Glebe Rise, or send an e-mail to petersueallen26@aol.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday, July 14th at 3pm

Jazz

for a Summer's Day

Come and enjoy

'Cool 'n' Blue'

performing favourites from
The Great American Songbook – such
as 'Summertime', 'Fly me to the
moon' etc., featuring:

Caroline Duncan - *vocals*

Bob Burrell – *guitar*

Bob Cloutman – *bass*

*With guest appearances
from:*

'ONE NIGHT STAND'

(UNRULY FOLK & COUNTRY BLUES)

Davey and Sheena

McCormack

(violin and guitar)

and

Kris Reeder - Trombone

playing Jazz Fusion

Entry free

**Saturday 3rd August from
3pm**

(Performance 7pm)

Come and Sing

Vivaldi's Gloria

Come and sing Vivaldi's wonderful
'Gloria'. If you have always
wanted to have a go – here's your
chance!

An afternoon rehearsal starting at
3pm, followed by a performance at
7pm to which friends and family
are most welcome (free admission
– retiring collection). The cost for
participating singers is £5. Light
refreshments will be provided for
singers between the rehearsal and
performance.

Preferred edition OUP.
Bring your own score if
you have it. Some
scores will be available
to hire on the day – cost
£2, deposit £5.



**Please book your
place by July 20th by phoning
01295 810967**

There will also be a performance of
Mozart's Ave Verum – which can be
downloaded from the internet from
CPDL (Choral Public Domain Library)
– using the edition by Philip Legge No.
11784. Some copies will be available
at 50p to cover photocopying
expenses.



Children's Church News



Hi!

There's not long to the summer holidays, but there's still loads going on at SS Peter & Paul. Please do support these events if you can.

King's Kids Thursday 13 June 3.30pm – 5pm

This month's Club was again great fun! Straight from school the kids began with drinks, toast, delicious cakes and fruit. This was then followed by a whole host of activities, they did printing on ties and card making for Fathers Day and then spent some time working out The Lord's Prayer. Creative skills are encouraged and there is a vast selection of craft items for the children to use and play with.

The session finished with a prayer for all Dads and as the children left it was clear they had had a wonderful time.

Our next meeting is on the 11th July. Do try and come along, it's a great opportunity for the children to get together after school and have some fun.

Parents & Toddlers Service

Friday Mornings 12 & 26 July 9.30am

These services begin with Fr. Roger lighting the candles which the children think is very exciting, then there are songs, prayers and short stories and more songs. The children especially enjoy songs with actions, in particular there are songs where they have to pretend to be frogs or waves or sunshine.

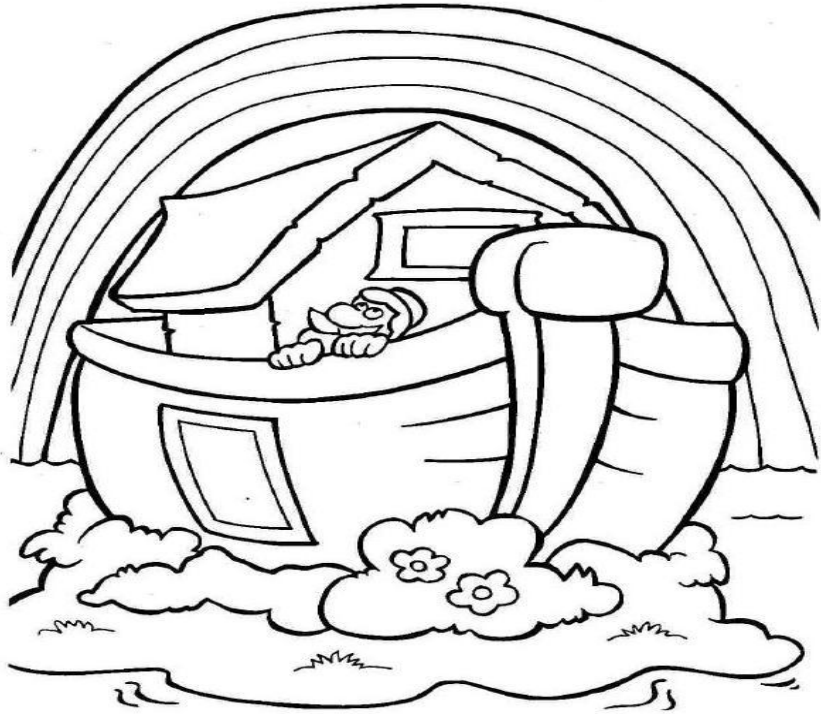
Towards the end of the service there's a closing prayer and blessing the exciting candles that have been glowing throughout the service then need to be put out. This has become (for some children) the highlight of the service. In fact where some of the younger children are concerned, Fr. Roger has had great fun teaching them to blow the candles out!

Once the service is over there are games, coffee and lots of conversation in the Church Room. If you have a child of pre-school age, please do come along – it's a lovely group and we'd love to see you





Kids Colouring Fun - Noah



Dates for your Diary Service/Event

	Date	Time
King's Kids (After School)	11 July	3.30pm
Parents and Toddlers	12 July	9.30am
Young at Art	20 – 21 July	
Parents and Toddlers	26 July	9.30am
Family Worship	28 July	10.00am
Family Worship	25 August	10.00am
Parents & Toddlers	Dates for September to follow	
King's Kids (After School)	Look out for a September date	

Have a great July – look out for more info in August!



From the Registers:

Baptism: Matthew Philip Scott
Joulianne Rose Wilson

Celebration of Light

The floodlighting was sponsored to remember:

7 th	June	Rodolph d'Erlanger
12 th	June	Rosie Mills
13 th	June	Sara Allday
22 nd	June	Alec Lovell's Birthday
23 rd	July	James Barber

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE weekend.



How long to we keep our clothes? I suppose it depends on whether we are young or a bit older, whether we have spare cash to buy new, or just frequent the charity shops. At last weekend's 'marriage' exhibition there was a bride's dress dating back to 1840 and still in very good condition. In similarly good condition was a wedding

dress from 1914. We have to thank those who had safely kept these garments for they made a really stunning contrast to the dresses that were on display from the 21st century. There was a steady trickle of visitors to the church to see the exhibition of wedding dresses, photographs and other memorabilia, which with a selection of wedding flowers dotted around the church, brought everything to life. We have to say a very big thank you to everyone that had loaned something to make the weekend a great success and to all those that had worked hard to stage the exhibition. This weekend was part of the church's Year of Faith and Mission initiative and it was appropriate therefore that the weekend ended with a short service of celebration worship on Sunday afternoon and then everyone got stuck in to tea and cakes.

TOUR OF VESTMENTS and SILVERWARE Saturday 13th July at 2pm

Fr. Roger is to give a guided 'tour' of the vestments and silverware of the church. The silverware spans five centuries of manufacture, and the priest's vestments are from various eras. This will be your chance to see some of these items up close and hear their history. Just come along to the church on 13th July at 2pm. The tour will be free with retiring collection, and tea and cake will be available at the end.



Created by pupils at the Primary School for the Celebration of Marriage weekend.

YOUNG AT ART

Local schools will be displaying children's art work in the church during the weekend of 20th – 21st July. There will be a wide variety of work – collage, painting, needlework and sculpture. Do come and see how talented the local children are.



If you have a smart-phone, try scanning this QR code....it will give you more information about the church.

Calendar of Services for July 2013

Mon	1	
Tues	2	Mass 9.30 am
Weds	3	<i>S Thomas</i> : Mass 7 pm
Thurs	4	
Fri	5	Mass 12 noon
Sat	6	<i>SS Thomas More & John Fisher</i> : Mass 10 am
Sun	7	Trinity 6: Mass 8 am; Sung Mass 11 am; Evensong 6pm
Mon	8	
Tues	9	Mass 9.30 am
Weds	10	Mass 7 pm
Thurs	11	
Fri	12	Parents & Toddlers ' Worship 9.30 am; Mass 12 noon
Sat	13	Mass 10 am
Sun	14	Trinity 7: Mass 8 am; Sung Mass 11 am; Evensong 6pm
Mon	15	
Tues	16	Mass 9.30 am
Weds	17	Mass 7 pm
Thurs	18	
Fri	19	<i>S Gregory of Nyssa</i> : Mass 12 noon
Sat	20	<i>S Bartolome de la Casas</i> : Mass 10 am
Sun	21	Trinity 8: Mass 8 am; Sung Mass 11 am; Evensong for S Mary Magdalen 6pm
Mon	22	
Tues	23	Mass 9.30 am
Weds	24	<i>S James</i> : Mass 7 pm
Thurs	25	
Fri	26	<i>SS Anne & Joachim</i> : Parents & Toddlers' Worship 9.30 am; Mass 12 noon
Sat	27	Mass SOLW: 10 am; Wedding 3.30pm
Sun	28	Trinity 9: Mass 8 am; Sung Mass 11 am; Evensong 6pm
Mon	29	
Tues	30	<i>William Wilberforce</i> : Mass 9.30 am
Weds	31	<i>S Ignatius</i> : Mass 7 pm

Please check with the latest Sword & Keys for updates on these services.