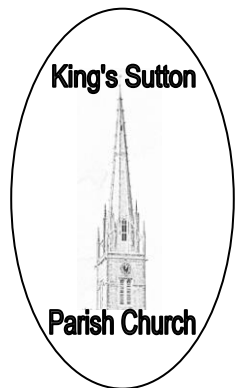


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SABBATICAL

The Sabbath is the last day of the Jewish week. It finds its origins in the Genesis 1 story of creation in which God works for six days and rests on the seventh. For the Jews the Sabbath is the day for worship and rest, for reflection and family time together, and those ideas were taken up into the Christian Sunday, the first day of the week, the day of the Resurrection. But Sabbath came to be used more widely in Judaism: periods of seven weeks, seven years and even seven times seven years.

The whole creation and humanity within it needs times of rest, of reflection, of extended holiday, and that's where the modern idea of sabbaticals comes from. It is an opportunity to spend time away from one's ordinary work – to spend time doing other things, relaxing, reflecting, looking at life with a bit more time to stand and stare, and to engage in some project, which will itself, hopefully, bring refreshment and new energy.

So I am on sabbatical from August 26th until November 16th. Some of the time I shall be in England – in Norfolk and Derbyshire, and indeed, here in the village – **but not available for anything!!** There will also be periods in Rome and Spain. The project is to look at ancient churches and the liturgy that they were used for and to see what that might have to say to us today.

Whilst I am away, retired clergy and others will take services, although there won't be as many as there usually are. The points of contact are the churchwardens, and if a priest is required urgently then Fr. John Duncan will be around, or you can contact the priests in neighbouring benefices.

I will write something for the Newsletters of October and November from wherever I happen to be.

Fr Roger



On the 14th July it was a very hot day outside the Parish Church, but inside it was 'Cool 'n' Blue' as local musicians Caroline Duncan, Bob Burrell and

Bob Cloutman delighted the assembled throng with a number of melodies straight out of the Great American Songbook. Melodies that were written between the 1920s and 1960s mainly for either Broadway musicals or Hollywood musical films were brought to life by this talented trio. Songs were heard that were originally given a high profile by artistes such as Ella Fitzgerald, Sarah Vaughan and Billie Holliday, and now Caroline Duncan, ably assisted by 'the Two Bobs'.

Also appearing was 'One Night Stand' who describe their music as 'unruly folk and country blues'. Whatever it is called, Davey and Sheena McCormack made a really impressive impact on the afternoon and their sound was very much appreciated by everyone present.

Come and hear Vivaldi's Gloria on Saturday 3rd August at 7pm. This will be performed by singers who have come together during the day for a workshop. Entry is free, donations invited.



Barbershop Chorus
Hallmark of Harmony
from Sheffield

Saturday, September 21st
at 7pm

Silver medallists, 2013 BABS Convention

with



Best small chorus 2011

Entry £8/£5 (under 12 free)

This should be a fantastic opportunity to hear close harmony singing at its best! With both the choruses and quartets performing, we are promised a lively programme!



Children's Church News



Hi!

The summer holidays are now with us. Although some of our activities will be taking a break there is still lots going on.

King's Kids Thursday 11th July 3.30 – 5.00pm

This month's Club started with the usual snack which we had outside to enjoy the lovely weather. Fr. Roger then told the story of David and Goliath. This led us into all helping in painting, glueing and decorating a nine foot picture of Goliath. A great time was had by all, if somewhat messy. We then went outside again for ice cream and a closing prayer. The results of the children's work appeared in the Young at Art Exhibition.

Our next meeting is on Saturday 14th September when we will be making a Scarecrow for the Playgroup completion. This fits in well with our Harvest celebrations within the Church.

King's Kids also offered craft activities at the Strawberry Fair in June which proved popular.

Parents & Toddlers Service Friday Mornings 9.30am

There is a break over the Summer Holidays, but will be back again on the 13th September.

Fr. Roger will be on sabbatical for three months from the end of August and Mayleng Chong will be taking the services starting in September, with Carole assisting. We will be having all the usual things, candles, songs, story and prayers. After the service it is over to the Church Room for coffee and biscuits. This is a good time for the children to get to know each other and have fun. It is also a time for mums to chat and meet. Do come and join us. We would love to see you.





Holiday Film Show and Picnic

Saturday, 17th August 2.30 – 5.00pm

Thanks to Banbury & District Christian Education Council we now have access to a TV for DVDs and will be showing 'The Prince of Egypt', which is from the Studio that produced SHREK. This is the animated story of Moses with music and is enjoyable to watch for both children and adults. Weather permitting we will then have a picnic outside the Church Room, inside if not. There is no charge for the film but please bring your own picnic and we will provide the drinks and ice cream. For any further information contact Carole on 811134.

Church Fete Saturday 31st August

The Children's Group will be at this event helping provide games and crafts for the children. Come and join in the fun!

Dates for your Diary

Service/Events	Date	Time
Holiday Film Show	17 th August	2.30pm
Family Worship	25 th August	10.00am
Fete	31 st August	2.30pm
King's Kids (After School)	12 th September	3.30pm
Parents & Toddlers	13 th September	9.30am
Family Worship	22 nd September	10.00am
Parents & Toddlers	27 th September	9.30am

Have a great holiday – look out for more information in September



From the Registers:

Baptisms:

30th June Lucia Mae Golsby

Cremation /

Thanksgiving:

11th July Cyril Wheatcroft

Celebration of Light

The floodlighting was sponsored to remember:

28th June Neil Hunter

30th June Josephine Marsden

14th July The 80th birthday of Renee Turner

9th August James Barber

This month, Fr. Roger will be giving talks on works of art – paintings and music with recordings – at the 11am Sung Eucharist.

*The Church Fete will be on **Saturday 31st August at 2.30pm**, in and around the church grounds. Stalls, games, refreshments, raffle etc. Do come and join us!*

We are invited by Bishop Norman to join him and to pray with him at one of the Special Services and Teaching sessions taking place this year across the Richborough Episcopal area. The next opportunity will be on **Saturday 10th August at 12 noon in St. Alban's Cathedral**. If you are interested in taking part, please contact Fr. Roger.



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

SILVERWARE and VESTMENTS

On Saturday July 13th, Father Roger gave the latest in a series of talks on the church, its fabric and the little things that are often seen but can be taken for granted. This particular talk was on the church silverware, the vessels that are used at our Eucharistic services, and on the vestments that is worn by the priest at those services.

Silverware: Contrary to the title, most of the vessels that are used are just silver, or gold-plated. The oldest dates back to the 16th century and were given in memory of a previous churchgoer. The most recent was commissioned by the Parish Church itself to commemorate the Millennium. It was interesting to see the change in design of the chalice over the years with the most recent probably the best to drink from!

Vestments: As you will have read from last month's newsletter there are different seasons of the church's year and different colours to go with them. The present season is green and there were several examples of green vestments, different styles with some more decorated than others. This was also true of the white, gold and red vestments. The most embroidered was a red chasuble donated to the church



by Father Brian Oman who was Vicar of this parish from 1974 to 1987. Understandably, Father Roger pointed out that he felt most comfortable in vestments that were made especially for him and in particular by his mother, Jesse, over the years.

If you missed this fascinating, but interesting talk and exhibition then watch out for the next occasion, although it is unlikely to be this year due to Father Roger's sabbatical.

Detail showing the back of the chasuble donated by Fr. Oman.

Calendar of Services for August 2013

Thurs	1	
Fri	2	Mass 12 noon
Sat	3	Mass 10 am
Sun	4	Trinity 10: Mass 8 am; Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm
Mon	5	
Tues	6	<i>The Transfiguration: Mass 9.30 am</i>
Weds	7	Mass 7 pm
Thurs	8	
Fri	9	<i>Mary Sumner: Mass 12 noon</i>
Sat	10	<i>S Laurence: Bishop's Day at St. Albans. Mass 12 noon there.</i>
Sun	11	Trinity 11: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Baptism 1pm; Evensong 6pm
Mon	12	
Tues	13	<i>Jeremy Taylor: Mass 9.30 am</i>
Weds	14	<i>Maximilian Kolbe: Mass 7pm for the Assumption of the BVM</i>
Thurs	15	
Fri	16	Mass 12 noon
Sat	17	Mass 10 am
Sun	18	Trinity 12: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Baptism 1pm; Evensong 6pm
Mon	19	
Tues	20	<i>S Bernard: Mass 9.30 am</i>
Weds	21	Mass 7 pm
Thurs	22	
Fri	23	Mass 12 noon
Sat	24	<i>S Bartholomew: Mass SOLW 10 am</i>
Sun	25	Trinity 13: Mass 8am; Family Eucharist 10am; Sung Mass with Baptism 11am; Baptism 2pm; Evensong 6pm
Mon	26	
Tues	27	<i>S Monica: Mass 9.30 am</i>
Weds	28	
Thurs	29	
Fri	30	
Sat	31	

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