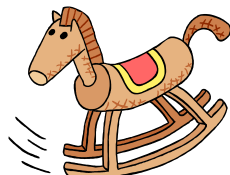


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A Happy New Year

Rev David Mason

It may seem to be strange to you that I am wishing you a Happy New Year in November, but the church begins its year on the first day of Advent, which this year falls on the 3rd of December. Therefore if I do not greet you for the New Year this month I may well be too late. With the new church year the new form of services to replace those in the Alternative Service Book will come into use. I have spoken about these before, it is unlikely that these new service formats will take as much getting used to as those in the ASB were at its introduction. Most of the Communion Service will be familiar, with a few changes in the wording, and in the order of the prayers. The main change for this service is the provision of a greater number of Thanksgiving Prayer alternatives. I am sure that as we get used to the new formats we will find them to be an improvement. The Matins and other 'Prayer Book' services are unaltered.

November is a month of remembering, All Souls Day is on the second of November, it used to be the day on which we remembered our loved ones who had died. I believe that it is important that we allow ourselves space for the mourning that is an essential part of bereavement, and the use of All Souls Day to remember and give thanks for those who were important to us and who have died can provide that space in our busy lives. No doubt that there will be much noise and enjoyment as we remember the fifth of November in the appropriate way, taking the recommended precautions to ensure that no accidents occur. On the eleventh hour of the eleventh month we remember the armistice, and those who died in the great conflicts of the last century. Our Remembrance services will be held on the twelfth of November in the church at Morning Service, and afterwards at the War Memorial. Please make time to remember and give thanks for all who fought and in many cases were terribly injured or killed, and also to pray for those who suffered, and in some cases continue to suffer, as a result of conflict.

Millennium Window

Ken Shrimpton

So far we have raised just over £2000 in donations towards our target of £5110, this is an excellent start to our fund raising. Over the next few months we will be holding fund raising events and we are already planning a concert in March. The proceeds from the coffee morning on the 4 November at 1 Trinity Close will also

Parish Diary

Parish Registers

8 October Baptism of Lily Antonia Priano

November

Sat 4 10.30am Coffee Morning The Shrimptons, 1 Trinity Close

Sun 5 10.15am Choral Communion (4th before Advent)

Bonfire Night Fireworks Display

Tue 7 Parish Paths Partnership Meeting - phone 782126 for details

Fri 10 7.45pm Premiere of "Chase Dark" Mill Theatre Sharnbrook

Sun 12 10.15am Remembrance Day Matins afterwards at the War Memorial

Sun 19 10.15am Choral Communion (2nd before Advent)

Sun 26 Christ the King Family Service

N B Matins on the 2nd Sunday this month, with the Family Service on the 4th

Priest in Charge: Rev David Mason (309737)

Churchwardens: Ken Shrimpton (781381), Rosemary Brough (782104)

Items for next month's Ouse News should be sent to Clive Just, 2 The Old Rectory by the 25th of the month. It would help if items were emailed to OuseNews@bigfoot.com; sent on disk; or typed. Phone 781967 for more details.

go towards the fund. Our thanks to all those who have already made a donation. All donations will be acknowledged.

an excellent insight into the work done by the RSPCA.

Village Hall Committee

Gail Holbourn

Firework Night - on Sunday 5th November the Village Hall Committee will be holding the Felmersham and Radwell annual firework display at the **Cricket Field**. (Please note the change from the usual venue).

The evening will start with a "Guy" competition at 6.30pm (Children, please make sure your "Guy" has arrived by 6.20pm for judging to take place at 6.30pm). The winner will be invited to light the bonfire. Fireworks will begin at 7pm.

Admission – Adults £2, Children £1. Snack-food will be on sale separately.

The Village Hall Committee are now in the process of gathering wood for the bonfire. If anyone has wood that could be burnt on the bonfire, we would be grateful if it could be left on the far side of the cricket pitch in the long grass. (Please – no garden rubbish). The Committee are keen to make the evening enjoyable so please come and support this village event. May I remind you to **keep animals in** on the evening of November 5th to avoid any distress.

Date for your diary! Saturday 16th December, Christmas dance. Tickets will be on sale from the end of November at a cost of £10 each and can be obtained from any committee member. We would particularly like to welcome some of the newer residents of Felmersham or Radwell to this year's Christmas dance. Enquiries to: Gail Holbourn (781071) or any Committee member.

Boxing Day Walk

Ken and Lorraine Shrimpton

Our annual Boxing Day walk will start at Felmersham bus shelter at 11-00am. In recent years we have had over 50 walkers taking part in this festive frolic, let us try and achieve 100 walkers in the millennium year! Visitors are welcome, more details next month.

110 Years Ministry

Gerry Sidebottom

This is what John Phipps and Gerry Sidebottom have clocked-up between them, John 60 years and Gerry 50 years. To mark this the Bishop of Bedford will preach at a Thanksgiving Eucharist at 10.15 am on Sunday December 17th in St Paul's, Bedford. Any friends from Felmersham will be most welcome and there will be a short reception afterwards. This is a general invitation which has David Mason's blessing. We do hope to see some of you joining us. Please note the date and time - Sunday December 17 at 10.15am.

RSPCA

Félise Kingerlee

This year's RSPCA collection raised £165.45. Thank you all who so kindly contributed. My grateful thanks to my fellow collectors: Mrs Pipe, Mrs Wilson, Mrs Foreman, Mrs Twigden and Mr Payne.

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