

Parish Diary

Regular Activities

Mon-Fri	9.15am – 3.15pm	Pre-School	Pinchmill School
Thu	9.30am – 11.30am	Parent & Toddler Group	Pinchmill Hall
Thu	11.00am (approx)	Fishmonger in village – call 07803 201399 for info	
Thu	8.00pm – 9.00pm	Yoga (term time only)	Pinchmill Hall
2 nd Thu	3.00pm	Thursday Club	Pinchmill Hall
3 rd Tue	7.30pm	Women's Institute	Pinchmill Hall

November

Sat 1	10.30am	Coffee Morning	The Leach's
Sun 2	10.15am	Choral Communion - 4 before Advent	St Mary's Church
Sun 9	10.15am	Remembrance Sunday	St Mary's Church
	11.15am	(approx) Wreath Laying	War Memorial
Thu 13	3.00pm	Thursday Club	Pinchmill Hall
Fri 14	7.00pm	SUS Reunion Meal	Tea-zels, Harrold Country Park
Fri 14	7.30pm	Girls Night Out	Pinchmill Hall
Sun 16	10.15am	Family Service - 2 before Advent	St Mary's Church
Fri 21	8.00pm	Wildlife Trust Talk - "Shetlands"	Sharnbrook Methodist
Sat 22	7.30pm	An Evening With 'Sir Humphrey...'	Sharnbrook Village Hall
Sun 23	10.15am	Choral Communion - Christ the King	St Mary's Church
Sun 30	10.15am	Matins and Communion - Advent Sunday	St Mary's Church

December

Sat 6	10.30am	Coffee Morning	The Dawson's
Sun 7	10.15am	Choral Communion	Joint Service, St Peter's Church
Sun 14	10.15am	Family Service - Advent 3	St Mary's Church
	5.00 pm	Carol service	St Mary's Church
Sun 21	10.15am	Choral Communion - Advent 4	St Mary's Church
Wed 24	3.00pm	Christingle/Crib Service - Christmas Eve	St Mary's Church
	11.00am	Midnight Service - Christmas Eve	St Mary's Church

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November 2008

Remembrance Sunday

David G Mason

This year Remembrance Sunday will be on the 9th November. We will be following the usual pattern of having a service in Church at 10.15, and a service at the War Memorial at approximately 11.15. It is sad that we, among many other nations are still involved in war, that still many are killed, many are badly injured, many still suffer loss of property, even country, and many suffer in so many ways. Neither the League of Nations formed after the First World War nor the United Nations formed after the second one has been successful in eliminating war. The nations still put national interest ahead of the wider world interest, and there is an increasing tendency for those who are unable to get support for their own aspirations to resort to violence as a way of achieving their otherwise unattainable aims. The continuing development of new and terrible ways of waging war should increase our determination to seek other ways of dealing with the conflicts between peoples and nations.

It is sobering to reflect that at a time when climate change is threatening to cause such very serious consequences on the planet, with its effect on food production and loss of inhabitable land at a time when world population is increasing so much effort is being devoted to the development of new technology to wage even more terrible wars. Surely this ought to be a time when all efforts are being devoted to combating the causes of climate change and to the development of energy and resources that do not damage the earth further.

I believe that God placed us on this earth to develop and enjoy it. We are here as stewards working to ensure that each succeeding generation benefits from the work of the previous one. This cannot be the case when, instead of developing and improving the world we damage it and the beings who live on it by the damage inflicted by conflict and the abuse of it. In the bible God has given us a maker's manual of how we are to use, develop and enjoy his wonderful creation. In the gospel we read how Jesus gave a Summary of the Law which shows the way in which we can live together in peace and security. Recognising and loving God before all others ensures that man does not put himself first, loving our neighbours as ourselves and recognising our equality in the sight of God should prevent us from being selfish and remind us that we are all to have an equal share in the riches of the earth, and that we are to care for each other. This is the basis for living in love, peace and security on the wonderful planet created by God. Let us each to pray and work for the establishment of this summary given by Jesus as the basis of living and working together.

Tenth Anniversary Gift

A big thank you to all who were responsible in any way for the gift of the Picture with which I was presented at the Harvest Thanksgiving Service to celebrate the tenth anniversary of my licensing to St Mary's Church. It has been a privilege to serve the Parish, and I thank you all for your continuing love and support.

David G Mason

Save The Children

Many thanks to all who came to my 'open day'. For those who missed it, I still have plenty of cards and wrapping paper in stock and am prepared to take orders from the catalogue until mid November. Just put your order through the letter box with a cheque made out to 'Save the Children' (no postage is payable) and your phone number, or call me on 781789.

Jacky Phipps

An Evening With 'Sir Humphrey Appleby'

The Friends of St Peter's, Sharnbrook have invited David Bell, the Permanent Secretary to the Department for Children to speak at Sharnbrook Village Hall on Saturday 22nd November at 7.15 for 7.30pm. A hot supper will be served at 7.30pm.prmpt. Tickets are £10 each, Please bring your own drinks and glasses. Tickets and further information from Robert Evens, 01234 782000.

David Mason

Felmersham and Radwell Open Gardens

It is planned to hold an "Open Gardens" in Felmersham and Radwell in aid of St. Mary's Church and the Parkinsons Disease Society on the weekend of 20th and 21st June 2009.

Carol Stork & Alan Stevens

A number of kind of volunteers and conscripts have already agreed to open their gardens. Since 10 years have passed since the last large opening, several gardens will have changed hands and new ones, of which we are unaware, have appeared.

This appeal is to all gardeners who have not already been approached to consider joining the "openers". We are looking especially for gardens of interest, large or small, displaying, for example, professional or DIY design and construction, vegetable plots, unusual plants or imaginative planting.

If you feel able to offer your garden or wish to find out more first please contact Alan Stevens.

Church Coffee Morning

The November Coffee Morning will be held at the home of Alan and Margaret Leach, 5 Tithe Barn Felmersham on Saturday 1st November at 10.30am
Next month's will be held at the home Graeme and Cherri Dawson on Saturday 6 December, also at 10.30am

Jane Wells

Contributions of home made cakes, toiletries, produce and bric-a-brac for the bring and buy stall will be greatly appreciated. All welcome.

FRCT (FELMERSHAM AND RADWELL COMMUNITY TRUST)

Since the formation of the FRCT in February 2004, grants have been made to several village organisations plus the purchase of river frontage which has been made into the "Margaret Alleway Memorial Garden".

Do you have a scheme or proposal, which you feel may be of benefit to the two villages, especially the youth of the parish? We would welcome, and look sympathetically, at grant applications for such schemes, providing the application form gives a full description of the project, work and expenditure involved - and also bearing in mind that proof of such expenditure is required before grants can be paid.

An application form may be obtained from Lorraine Shrimpton on 781381, or alternatively, downloaded from www.felmersham.net (click Organisations / Community Trust / Grant Application Form).

FRCT Trustees: Michael Thomas, Jeff Stokley, Richard Phipps, Lorraine Shrimpton.

Village Trades and Services



PINCHMILL LOWER SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Friday 5th December

3.00pm School Hall

Teas, cakes, crafts, toys, lots of stalls

Father Christmas in his Grotto!

ALL WELCOME!!



Thursday Club

Jo Morris

The October meeting was rather special. Firstly we celebrated Dick and Sally Watson's diamond wedding "60 glorious years" and then we had a real treat from Margaret and Ian Coomber who gave us a superb illustrated talk about their recent car rally in Norway with their beautiful old Vauxhall - wonderful scenery and civic receptions along the route.

The next meeting is on Thursday November 13th at 3pm. If you require transport please ring Joan on 781722

Remembrance Sunday

David Mason/Geoff Hulatt

Following the Morning Service on Sunday 9th November at 11.15am (approx) there will be a short service at the War Memorial. If you wish to contribute towards the cost of the poppy wreath please contact Geoff Hulatt on 781082 or at 6 Marriotts Close. PLEASE SUPPORT THE POPPY APPEAL.

Sharnbrook Mill Theatre

Theo Gibbs

A l a d i n – Don't forget your tickets for our own spectacular, traditional family pantomime. Friday 5th - Saturday 13th December 2008, nightly at 7.45 pm (not Sunday), with 2 Saturday matinees. Tickets from Sharnbrook Post Office & Bedford Central Box Office (01234) 269519 – **Hurry! They're selling fast!**

Wildlife Trust (Sharnbrook Group)

Kay Handcomb

Illustrated talk on "Shetland – Land of Seabirds and Otters" by Trevor Gunton. Friday 21st November, 8pm Methodist Church, Park Lane, Sharnbrook.

Bell Ringing

Colin Payne

A group from Milton Keynes will ring on Saturday November 15th from 2.15-3pm

Pinchmill Pre-School presents a

GIRLS NIGHT OUT

Friday 14th November 7.30pm till late

Pinchmill Hall

An evening of indulgence, Christmas shopping and fun

Many new stalls including Jewellery, Accessories, Cards, Clothes, Aromatherapy and much more.....

Tickets £8 inc. buffet and glass of wine from:

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