

Hello Everyone

The sun is shining, and it will hopefully be a lovely weekend, thinking particularly of Westoning Fete tomorrow and the Toddington Open Gardens which people will be kindly opening in Toddington this weekend. Thank you so much to all involved.

This afternoon at Toddington, we look forward to hosting our **Messy Church** children and families at Wilkinson Hall from 3.15 to 5.30 pm. Today's craft theme is 'Perseverance'.

This evening at 7.00 pm at Priory Church, Dunstable, Jenna Dearden (previously from Westoning Church) alongside some other local curate colleagues will be ordained as 'Priest' at a special service, and we send our love and prayers to Jenna on this very significant day. She will be celebrating her first Communion Service at Priory Church on Sunday morning at 10.30 am and has asked Nigel to preach.

Tomorrow, Westoning Church holds its **Summer Fete** in the church grounds from 12.30 pm until 4.00 pm. It promises to be a special time with local community enjoying fun activities and stalls, refreshments, tombolas and Woburn Sands Band. *Poster attached*

Tomorrow and Sunday there is the wonderful opportunity to wander around gardens at **Toddington Open Gardens**, organised by the Friends of St George's Church. Gardens are open between 11.00 am and 5.00 pm on Saturday and 1.00 – 6.00 pm on Sunday. Tickets are available from Wilkinson Hall, where refreshments will also be served, accompanied by a plant and book stall.

Sunday Services this week 3rd July

8.00 am BCP Holy Communion, Harlington Church - Nigel

9.15 am Family Breakfast at Harlington Parish Rooms. Theme 'BBq on the Beach' plus breakfast, craft, story and song - Rebecca and team

9.30 am Morning Prayer Service, Harlington - Robert

9.30 am Holy Communion Service, Chalgrave (inside.. rain forecast at 10) - Linda

11.00 am Holy Communion Service, Toddington, Linda and Malcolm

11.00 am Morning Prayer, Westoning - Jon

12.45 pm Baptism Service, Westoning - Nigel

No Upper Room this week. Next Upper room service will be Sunday 24th July.

Other services and events this week

Friday 1st July

3.15 pm Messy Church, Wilkinson Hall

Saturday 2nd July

9.00 am Men's Breakfast, Westoning. Speaker from the Foodbank. Tickets from Phil Steer.

Toddington Open Gardens: Saturday 11.00 am – 5.00 pm, Sunday 1.00 – 6.00 pm

Westoning Church Fete, 12.30 – 4.00 pm

Monday 4th July

9.30 am Morning Prayer at Toddington Church

Tuesday 5th July

10.00 am – 12.00 noon Westcaf, Westoning Village Hall
10.30 am Knitting Group, Wilkinson Hall, Toddington
1.00 pm Sewing Bees, Westoning Village Hall
5.45 pm -7.15 pm Youth Group, Wilkinson Hall, Toddington for yrs 4, 5, 6

Wednesday 6th July

10.00 am Morning Service, Harlington Church
3.30 pm TWIG, picnic in Westoning Church grounds.

Thursday 7th July

12.00 noon Ploughman's Lunch, Wilkinson Hall, Toddington
12.00 noon Wedding Blessing, Harlington Church - Nigel

Friday 8th July,

10.30 am Painting for Pleasure Group, Wilkinson Hall
5.00 - 6.30 pm Westoning Youth Group Picnic in Church grounds

Saturday 9th July

Nature Day at Harlington Church with activities for all, especially children and families. More information to follow.

12.30 pm Baptism Service Westoning Church - Nigel

Future events: 22 July. An Evening with the Vicar (Nigel), Harlington Church, which includes a 2 course meal, Tickets available from Tricia

A similar evening is planned for Westoning on 13th July but is already sold out. If you would like to attend please contact Linda Little to ask to be added to their waiting list or book alternatively for Harlington. (Poster attached).

Finally, a sensitive reminder please that the **local Food Banks** are in need of our support.. even if you can just bring one item a week to church, it will help them to provide for families in need. Also, if you know of any family in need, please be aware that we, as ministers, are able to make referrals to the foodbank. Tomorrow the Foodbank is the subject of Men's Breakfast. Tickets from Phil Steer, or contact Nigel or Linda 01525 714442

Enjoy the weekend and the week's services and events. We look forward to seeing you and thank you in advance for your support of the local churches.

God bless

Linda and Nigel