

## DIRECTORY

Clergy	Mike Fudger (Rector)	354543
	Cyril Harris (Hon. Asst)	344927
Churchwardens	Alison Davis	267480
	Dave Hoskins	304424
Assistant Churchwardens	Bruce Reid	267137
	Liz McHale	210620
PCC Secretary	Tricia Oakley	211499
Treasurers	Hannah Potter	352675
	Anthony Chestney	351719
Planned Giving Officer	Gloria Clarke	357676
Electoral Roll Officer	Roy Jupp	213468
Bookings:		
Chapter House	Ann Lawrence	358950
St. Cuthbert's Hall	Hannah Potter	352675



Church Flowers: Please see the Rota at the back of the church or ring 270514

## Summer Luncheon in the Rectory Gardens

by kind permission of Mike and Janet Fudger

28<sup>th</sup> June 2009  
12.30pm

Entry by ticket

4pm Evensong on the lawn

## DIARY

### June

- 2<sup>nd</sup> QUIET EVENING 7.30pm  
 6<sup>th</sup> Bedford/Jersey Arts Festival.  
 Concerts at 2pm, 4pm and 7.30pm  
 9<sup>th</sup> Education Group meets at Do's  
 2.30pm  
 15<sup>th</sup> Film Club meets 7pm to view BEST  
 IN SHOW  
 17<sup>th</sup> Parish Quiet Day at Haynes  
 27<sup>th</sup> NBYCO concert (see below)  
 28<sup>th</sup> Petertide celebrations (see below)  
 29<sup>th</sup> PCC meets 7.30pm

### July

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bible Study in church at 3pm  
 7<sup>th</sup> Doubters Anonymous

## CONCERT

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June  
7.30pm

North Bedfordshire Youth Chamber  
Orchestra, conducted by David Knight  
and Jan Kaznowski presents

Mozart  
*Così fan Tutte* overture

Ravel  
*Pavane*  
*Tombeau de Couperin*

Vaughan Williams  
*Tallis Fantasia*

Beethoven  
*Symphony no 7*

Admission £5.00

## CHRISTIAN AID WEEK raised £1014 and a pair of trousers!

The total raised this year was up a little on last year. This is tremendous given the present financial situation. It represents a lot of hard work and the fact that we had more people collecting which meant we were able to cover more streets.

The trousers (new) came from a family who clearly wanted to help but didn't have a lot of English and who didn't understand the system. They were "Grandfather's trousers but he doesn't need them anymore". It made us realise how culturally based door-to-door collecting is. How strange it must seem to people who haven't met it before to have someone ring their doorbell and ask for money. It must seem like begging! Christian Aid is one of the few charities still to collect in this way.

But, it was definitely worth it – both for the money raised and for the active presence we were able to be in our Parish and beyond! Thank you so much to all who gave their time and energies to make it a success. And a big thank you to Anthony who counts and banks all that we collect.

## PRAYER FOR THE MONTH

Dear Friends,

At this time of political financial disarray and bank shortcomings, it is easy to be tempted to 'cast the first stone' at those we deem guilty.

We should perhaps instead remember the moral frailty most of us experience.

Underlying the cause of this crisis is the blatant sin of greed amongst other failings.

We would do well to be recalled to resist such temptation by praying the Prayer of St. Ignatius Loyola.

HLH

*Teach us, good Lord, to serve thee  
as thou deservest;  
to give and not to count the cost;  
to fight and not to heed the wounds;  
to toil, and not to seek for rest;  
to labour, and to ask for no reward,  
save that of knowing that we do thy will;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*



23<sup>rd</sup> May 2009

Dear Mike and All Members of St. Peter's Congregation

I really had my breath taken away last Sunday when I saw how generous you have all been to me. Just to say "Thank You" seems very inadequate.

Having been very happy as an Assistant Church Warden for some years I had already got to know what a great "Family" we are at St. Peter's. I therefore felt very privileged and happy to accept becoming Church Warden six years ago. It allowed me to learn a lot more about what goes on behind the scenes with respect to the running of a parish church and especially how the individuals all help and support each other in what is a very happy friendly family church. As I said last Sunday I have come to know so many people and how much our church life together means to us all.

I did, and always will feel so privileged to have served and hopefully helped you at St. Peter's and also to represent "our church" to the outside world.

Thank you all for my gift. I am still not quite sure what to buy. However as I might well have some more time to relax my choice is likely to include digital radio/cd player and some garden furniture. I will let you know in due course.

## St. Alban's Day

As usual there is the Pilgrimage, on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June.

The Pilgrimage starts at 10.30am. The Festival Eucharist is at 11.30am, the preacher is the Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral. At Evensong, at 4.00pm. the preacher will be Giles Fraser, of Radio 4 and Church Times fame, and always worth hearing!

A leaflet with details is in church, for those who want to go.

Also, the Bedford Deanery is holding its special Eucharist on the day itself, Monday 22 June, at St. Peter's at 7.30pm.

It would be wonderful to have a lot of folk coming and celebrating together!

