

Dates for your Diary

02 Jul	Vacancy team meeting
03 Jul	Funeral of Joyce Hutchins
07 Jul	Wedding of David Meggenis & Shannon Joyce
11 Jul	Libury Hall service
14 Jul	Wedding of Terry Mordecai & Victoria Ludlow
16 Jul	PCC meetings
18 Jul	FOSM committee meeting
20 Jul	Little Munden School service
25 Jul	Standon PCC finance committee meeting
26 Jul	Monthly discussion group

Wednesday Young People's Discipleship Group Fundraiser 1st July

The young people from the Wednesday group plan to host tea (or coffee) and cakes straight after the united service in All Saints on 1st July. They are raising money to support animal charities. For more information, please speak to Sophie, Hannah, Tabby, Eleanor, Thomas or Rebecca. Please bring your money next week!

Still (Hide me now)

Hide me now	Find rest my soul
Under your wings	In Christ alone
Cover me	Know His power
Within your mighty hand	In quietness and trust

*When the oceans rise and thunders roar
I will soar with you above the storm
Father You are King over the flood
I will be still and know You are God*

*When the oceans rise...
Reuben Morgan*

Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus name (Repeat)

*Christ alone; cornerstone
Weak made strong; in the Saviour's love
Through the storm, He is Lord
Lord of all*

Christ alone; cornerstone...
When He shall come with trumpet
sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless stand before the throne.

Christ alone; cornerstone...

When Darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

Reuben Morgan

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**Please take this notice sheet home with you. If you know of someone who is
unable to be here today, please take a spare one for him or her.**

Please contact Caroline Franks (telephone 01920 822723 or e-mail
caroline.franks@r152.co.uk) with any items for the next notices sheet.

The United Benefice of Standon and The Mundens with Sacombe Notices Sheet - 24th June 2018

Welcome to our service today. We welcome especially Rev Lindsay Dew, who will
preside at our communion service at All Saints this morning.

Our readings this morning are:

Isaiah 40:1-11 (p 723) Luke 1:57-66, 80 (p 1027)

Notices for the coming week

Prayers are said in St. Mary's at 9.15 on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and in All
Saints on Thursdays. You are very welcome to join us. All of our churches are open
for private prayer during daylight hours.

Sunday, 4.30 pm	Village Youth Club - Community Centre
Sunday, 6.30 pm	EHCCA choral evensong - All Saints, Hockerill
Tuesday, 9.30 am	Holy communion - St Catherine's
Tuesday, 3.30 pm	Bible Society local division AGM - Eleanor Cottage
Tuesday, 7.45 pm	Oasis - small groups
Wednesday, 9.15 am	Public worship with communion by extension - St Mary's
Wednesday, 2.30 pm	Mothers' Union - Braughing Old Boys' School
Wednesday, 3.00 pm	Little Munden café - All Saints
Wednesday, 6.30 pm	Young people's discipleship group - All Saints
Wednesday, 7.30 pm	Alpha + get together - St Mary's (see separate note)
Thursday, 4.15 pm	Meet at CC for coach to Alan's licensing
Sunday, 8.00 am	Holy communion - St Mary's
Sunday, 10.45 am	United worship - All Saints
Sunday, 12.00	Coffee, tea and cakes organised by the Wednesday group young people - All Saints
Sunday, 4.30 pm	Village youth club - Community Centre
Sunday, 4.45 pm	St Mary's at the School

Visiting Clergy

This week, we welcome Rev Robert Thompson to Sacombe on Tuesday.

WW1 Commemoration

This week marks the centenary of the death of Walter Pepper, who was killed in
action, aged 33, on 29th June 1918 and is buried at the Somme. Please see the
display in St Mary's for more information.

**Please note that we ask you not to take photographs or video recordings, whether
on cameras or phones, during any of our benefice services.**

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Bible Society AGM 26th June

The AGM will be held on Tuesday at 3.30pm at Eleanor Cottage, Stortford Road, Standon and is open to everyone. So if you want to know about the work of Bible Society, please come and join us. Contact Diane Moss for more information or a lift.

Mothers' Union 27th June

The next meeting of Braughing with Standon MU will be on Wednesday at 2.30pm in the Old Boys School, Braughing. Diane Moss will talk about her travels in 'China & Tibet.' This is open to anyone who is interested. For more information contact Diane Moss 01920 821130 or 07949 665365 or email mubwsbranch@outlook.com.

Monthly Discussion Group Deferred This Month!

There will be no discussion group this month. Next month, Rev Julie Gawthrope from Braughing will lead our discussion on walking with God while living with a non-believer. Julie will share with us her own experience of being called to ministry, and the challenges presented by her husband not being a professed Christian. This should be an interesting topic, and we will all, I suspect, know people for whom it has relevance. The date is 26th July.

Coach to Alan's Installation Service, 28th June

Please meet at the Standon and Puckeridge Community Centre by 4.15pm so we can leave promptly at 4.30pm. Please bring a packed tea if you would like to. The service starts at 7pm and if the traffic permits us to arrive early, the church will be open for us. The cost will be £10 each. Could you please let Marion have the money, preferably before the day.

Church Cleaners and Churchyard Clear-up Volunteers Needed

We need more volunteers for the cleaning rota at St Mary's, and for the team who clear up the All Saints churchyard. This latter is down to 3 members, which is not enough to keep the churchyard mown! If you can offer even an hour or two, please let us know: Rita for the St Mary's cleaners; Debi for the All Saints churchyard.

Alpha + get together

There will be a get together in St Mary's church at 7.30pm on Wednesday 27th June for any ladies who have recently finished the Alpha course and want to carry on meeting. It is also for anyone who cannot make the Oasis meetings on Tuesdays. Please come and join us. For more information contact Diane Moss on dimoss21@hotmail.com or 07949 665365.

Open Gardens Thank you

Thank you to everyone who supported Open Gardens this year, by opening a garden, helping man the various locations, baking, cooking, serving or simply by coming along. The village was buzzing, and we sold out of lunches in the church. Many cups of tea and pieces of cake (not to mention glasses of Pimms!) were consumed, and all the gardens were admired. We raised a record £5,163!

For your Prayers

As a church family, we pray regularly for each other and for our world. On this sheet, we suggest focus points for prayer for each week.

These suggestions are not exclusive. Please continue to pray for the work of our churches and for those who have been listed on previous sheets.

Praise God

Praise God for our St Mary's at the school fellowship. As they join us this morning for our family worship, thank God for Jo's talents in leading our worship songs and for others' willingness to take part in our service. Thank him for David's leadership of this congregation in the vacancy, and pray that it will continue to thrive. Pray that we will all do what we can to support and encourage each other.

Pray for our world

This article is written each week by a member of the Benefice group for world mission. The group is made up of folk from across the Benefice who are interested in mission. Each time we meet we share news from our mission partners and pray for their needs. In most cases these missionaries worshipped with one or other of our churches whilst studying at ANCC. In recent weeks we have had news from the Frys in Austria, the Jupes who were in Tajikistan but recently returned to Germany. The Ellis family in Zimbabwe, the Stokes in Argentina and the Seniors who have retired but are waiting to know God's plans for their future. If you are interested in mission please consider joining this group. As a group we also look at appeals and consider whether our churches can respond.

As I am preparing this article an appeal has come through from Tearfund for Burundi, where people are now facing starvation. Please pray for them.

Pray for our community

Pray for all who visit the Little Munden cafe. As we minister to them with tea and cake, but also with God's love at work, pray that they will see that they are God's, called by name and valued beyond measure.

Pray for our benefice

Please pray for the new group meeting on Wednesday evening in St Mary's. Pray for all who have completed Alpha in recent times, that they will continue to grow in faith, and that we will all support and encourage them on their journey.

Pray for those in pain of mind or body

Please pray for all in our community who are sick or sad, including those who have been listed recently. Pray especially for Ian Baker and for Jim King.

Jim writes: 'As most people will be aware by now, I am back home after my unexpected admission to hospital early in the month. Having been given a heart bypass, I am slowly beginning to settle down but will need a little while to fully recover. Besides the receipt of many kind messages, cards and 'phone calls, Shirley and I are conscious of the thoughts and prayers of the members of the church for us and would be pleased if our grateful thanks could be included in the pew sheet notices for the coming Sunday. I am not sure when I shall make my next appearance at church, but I hope it will not be too long.' Please continue to pray for Jim as he recovers.

Pray for all who grieve at this time, especially the family and friends of Joyce Hutchins.

If you are aware of anyone who would like our prayers, or would like the church family to share in some news, good or bad, please let Caroline know. Please pass on any news, too, about those for whom we are praying.