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| REGULAR MONTHLY ACTIVITIES | | | |

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| 1st Wednesday in each month | 7.30pm Wednesday Sisters | The Sun |
| 2nd Tuesday every other month | 7.30pm Parish Council Meetings (Jan/Mar/May/July/Sept/Nov) | Committee Room |
| 3rd Tuesday in each month | 7.30pm WI | Pinchmill School |

CHURCH OFFICERS

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|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Rector | Revd Paolo Di Leo | (782000, 07968 606 377) |
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 Items to be with the Editor for the next edition by NOON on 25th of the month



Parish Online www.felmersham.net

LEST WE FORGET.....

Ernest Carwithen

On 11th November and two days later on Remembrance Sunday we will remember those brave men and women who have fought and died for this country and the Commonwealth. At the national ceremony at the Cenotaph, prayers will be said for all those who have died fighting for our values and ideals. I am sure that I am not alone in thinking that what shocks us most every year is that so many of the combatants lost their lives in the flower of their youth. This tragic loss of young life has happened in our own century - in Afghanistan, for example - just as it did in such high numbers on the Western Front in the Great War 1914-18.

Unfortunately, in 2022 war remains a part of the human condition, and it is still inseparable from national sentiment. Even today, almost eighty years after the end of the Second World War, we are often uneasy about praying for the young Japanese and German soldiers who died fighting against us. Yet, Christianity transcends national identity and teaches us that every human being is created in the image of God. On Remembrance Sunday we think of our common humanity. We hope for the success of peacemakers throughout the world and give thanks for the work of the Red Cross. Here in Felmersham and Radwell, we give thanks that our villages are peaceful, and far (Ctd)

GORDON, THE BINMAN, IS STILL OUTSIDE THE OLD BAKERY in all weathers needing your help. Items Currently Required:- Fruit Juice (Longlife), UHT Milk, Breakfast Cereal (not porridge), Tinned Vegetables, Cup-a-Soup, Tinned Spaghetti, Coffee (100g), Teabags (40/80), Tinned meat in sauce (e.g. curry, chilli), Jars of Curry Sauce, Tinned Fruit, Tinned Tomatoes, Washing-up Liquid, Anti-Bac Spray.

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Welcome



FORTHCOMING CHURCH SERVICES NOVEMBER

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| Wed 2 Nov | 9.30am | Holy Communion at St Peter's |
| All Souls | 7.00pm | All Souls Memorial Service, St Peter's |
| Sun 6 Nov | 9.00am | Said Holy Communion at St Mary's |
| | 10.30am | Choral Communion at St Peter's (ZOOM'd) |
| Wed 9 Nov | 9.30am | Holy Communion at St Mary's |
| Sun 13 Nov | 10.50am | Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial |
| Remembrance | 11.00am | Choral Holy Communion at St Mary's (ZOOM'd) |
| Sunday | 3.00pm | Evensong at St Peter's |
| Wed 16 Nov | 9.30am | Holy Communion at St Peter's |
| Sun 20 Nov | 9.00am | Said Holy Communion at St Mary's |
| Christ the King | 10.30am | Choral Holy Communion at St Peter's (ZOOM'd) |
| & Stir Up Sunday | | |
| Wed 23 Nov | 9.30am | Holy Communion at St Mary's |
| Sun 27 Nov | 9.00am | Said Holy Communion at St Peter's |
| Advent Sunday | 10.30am | Choral Holy Communion at St Mary's (ZOOM'd) |
| | 4.00pm | Christingle Service at St Peter's |
| Wed 30 Nov | 9.30am | Holy Communion at St Peter's |
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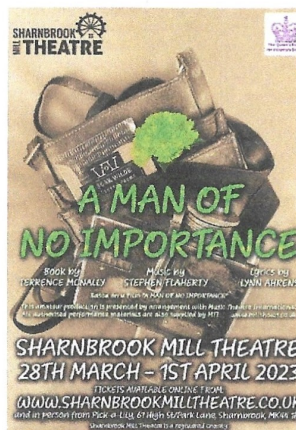
Workshops for the musical will be on
Monday 7th & Wednesday 9th November;

Auditions on Sunday 13th November.

For an introduction, details, and the contact for
Director David Russell, for enquiries, please visit

www.sharnbrookmilltheatre.co.uk/a-man-of-no-importance-workshops-and-auditions-are-approaching/

Tickets will be on sale about
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Online Link for Church Services

<https://zoom.us/j/763110804> The Password is: 079014

(Ctd. From overleaf) removed from the war-torn theatres of conflict. Yet we know that no community can isolate itself from conflict: the families of service men and women are found in every community. The proud parents of those serving in the military feel anxiety, especially when their offspring are in combat far from home. Indeed, in 1939 my own grandmother wrote a moving account of how she felt when my father went off to war.

Remembrance Day is not only about looking back. It is also a commitment to learning from the mistakes of the past and to finding ways of avoiding military conflict. As our great war leader Sir Winston Churchill said on a visit to Australia, "Meeting jaw to jaw is better than war". Talking with those with whom we have a conflict of interest, and understanding their perspective, is greatly to be preferred to the jingoism that divides humanity into allies and enemies. Everyone of us contributes to peace by reaching out to those with whom we disagree. Our thoughts and prayers rightly begin with the British service people who perished in war, especially those from our local communities here in Felmersham and Radwell, but they do not stop there. We reflect too on the families of soldiers serving abroad and the constant anxiety they feel. More generally, we consider the desecration and destruction of war and express the hope that "the peace that passes all understanding" may transform the lives of men and women everywhere.



You are invited to
A Service of Thanksgiving for
our Departed Loved Ones
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For more information contact the group's
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(Ctd from overleaf) The trees are decorated by local community groups, schools and firms and this year's theme for the decorations is 'Musicals'.

Entry to the Festival is £3 and free for children under 16. This year the money raised will go towards funding much needed equipment for Bedford Hospital and supporting projects including the Primrose Car Service taking patients to and from Addenbrookes Hospital for radiotherapy, travelling in comfort.

Young children will enjoy finding the Musicals in the trees with a chance to win a book token.

The annual **Festival Concert on Friday 2nd December at 7.30pm** features the 'Minerva Piano Trio' performing pieces by Mendelssohn and Beethoven in addition to Christmas favourites. It is a truly memorable evening for concert goers to enjoy the beautiful trees at night in the majestic setting of St Paul's. Tickets £17.50 include a glass of wine from www.peoplesfundraising.com/concert-tickets or phone 01234 783181.

The Bedford Pipe Band will lead visitors to the **Opening of the Festival** by Sue Lousada, our new Lord Lieutenant, at **10.30am on Wednesday 30th November**.

To find out more about getting involved with the Festival including how to volunteer at this event, please email treefestival@stpaulschurchbedford.org.uk

Visit facebook.com/bedfordchristmastreefestival to find out more
Tel 01234 340163

LADY FLORENCE *Coloratura Soprano* *'She had no idea how bad she was'*

Bridget Peirson- Davis, Alan Mackenzie and Janet Welsh present a **play with music on Friday 4th and Saturday 5th November at 7.30 in St Mary's Church.**

A new play with music in one act by Alan Mackenzie after an idea by Bridget Peirson-Davis performed by members of Chatelaine Theatre Company, based in Felmersham. First performed at Bedfringe, Quarry Theatre 2021, it received an award as a sell out production.

Florence Foster Jenkins was a very rich lady of New York, who thought that she could sing, but she couldn't! She regularly gave recitals in New York to the rich and famous but in a terribly distorted way. When she was 76 she hired Carnegie Hall to give a recital, and of course it was a catastrophe. The critics were merciless in their criticism, with scathing reviews. She had a heart attack five days later and died.

Free admission, retiring donations to the Church Restoration Fund.

COFFEE MORNING

SATURDAY 5th NOVEMBER

The November Coffee Morning to raise funds for the Church Restoration fund will be held **at Riverside House, The High Road on Saturday 5th November from 10.30am.**

There will be a small raffle and plenty of chatter!

This will be the last coffee morning for this year so do come along.
Everyone is welcome.

The coffee mornings will begin again February/March 2023.

Changes to Bus Times

The route 50 timetable is revised from 30th October. The service pattern remains as before, but several of the buses are retimed to run either 10 or 20 minutes later in both directions. The Sunday timetable is unchanged.

Full details can be found on the Stagecoach website.

<https://www.stagecoachbus.com/timetables>.

You can see the live progress of your bus on bustimes.org where you need to choose Kettering route 50.



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May Mills

Our October meeting was a delightful experience on two counts. Firstly, Beverley and Steve Beales were first-rate speakers and secondly, they brought along products from their farm for us to taste. Steve explained why he had moved to sheep farming after 40 years as a dairy farmer. They started in 2016 with 20 ewes and 40 lambs on their 200 acre farm, and now have 600 French and Dutch sheep specially bred for milking. Apparently, sheep are much easier to milk than cows and they are hoping to have two lambings a year (February and July). Although they are sheered twice a year the wool has a low value and is used for compost. The milk goes to London for cheese making which is the role that Beverley has taken up. She told us how she has adapted to this new role after giving up a career in aviation. However, she deals with all the marketing and sales as well as the cheese making, enabling them to build a successful five star rated business in the process. Their heart-warming story culminated in a tasting of plain, smoked and blue cheeses, yoghurt, milk, ice-cream and biscuits, all delicious! They also sell three varieties of sheep milk soap. Something tells me there will be a stream of ladies visiting their shop at Bevistan Dairy, Valley View Farm, Turvey Road, Carlton, MK43 7LH ! www.bevistandairy.co.uk



**'Musicals' is the theme for
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St Paul's Church, Bedford
30th November – 4th December
2022**

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Jackie Biggs 782517 and Hazel Scott 781559

We welcome anyone who is interested in the Worldwide Mothers' Union and in knowing more about our organisation. Please feel free to contact the above for details. We meet on the second Thursday of each month, enjoying speakers, outings, group enterprises and much more.



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