

Hayley and Deborah's *Shine* Night Walk

On 24 September, Hayley Chamberlain and Deborah Stokes will be taking part in *Shine*, the marathon night walk across London in aid of *Cancer Research UK*. If you would like to support them in this fundraising venture you can either see Val Chamberlain in church to sign the sponsor form or visit Hayley and Deborah's *JustGiving* page:

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/H_Dshine2016

They will be very grateful for any support you can give.

Thursday Group: 1 September, 7.45 for 8.00pm in the hall

The next Thursday Group meeting is a talk on "Sewing Samplers" by Marion Maule. We have heard previously from Marion who gave a fascinating talk on "Granny's Kitchen" on her last visit. It would be lovely to see you on this evening. Visitors are most welcome (£3 which includes refreshments).

North Herts Sanctuary AGM: Mon 5 Sept, 7:30pm at Christchurch

North Herts Sanctuary runs the shelter at 25 Nightingale Road, but the building is no longer fit for purpose so possible new sites are being considered. The trustees want to share with members (new members welcome!) their plans for the new development and the options open to the charity once the new Hostel is running. Please come and join the discussion about the plans for the future.

Receiving the news sheet by email or submitting notices

If you would like either to receive this news sheet via email in future or would like to have a notice included in the next news sheet, please email deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk or ring 456184.

Please send notices for inclusion in the news sheet by 7pm on Wednesday evening.

St Mark's Church



A member of Churches Together in Hitchin

28 August 2016

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Services today

8.00am	Holy Communion (p29 in folder)
10.00am	Holy Communion (separate service order)
4.00pm	Baptism Service

Readings for today

Ecclesiasticus 10: 12-18
Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16
Luke 14: 1, 7-14

St Mark's extends a warm welcome to newcomers

If you are new here, do introduce yourself Jane, our Vicar, and feel free to take and fill in one of the newcomers' cards which you'll find on the Welcomers' table near the entrance to the hall.

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Notices

Hymns for 10.00am

AMNS 415	Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer
AMNS 259	My God, and is thy table spread?
AMNS 156	Come down, O Love Divine
MP 367	Jesus is Lord
AMNS 422	Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord

Diary for the week beginning Monday 29 August

Tue 30	8.00pm	Standing Committee meets
Wed 31	9.15am	Morning Prayer
Thur 1 Sept	10.00am 7.45pm	Communion at Westmill Lawns Thursday Group meets in the hall
Fri 2	9.30am	Little Lions

Hall and church bookings – Thursday 1 to Saturday 3 September

Thur 1	9.00-11.15am 7.30-9.30pm	Monkey Club in hall Thursday Group in hall
Fri 2	9.15-11.15am 10.30am-12.30pm	Monkey Club in hall DAC visiting the church
Sat 3	No bookings	

Next Sunday, 4 September – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion
6.30pm	SIX:30 Service
8.00pm	Sunday Social at The Angels

Delivery of Prayer Cards – help still needed, please!

As part of our Mission Action Plan it was decided that, in the course of a year, we would aim to deliver prayer cards to the houses in every road or street in our parish. The cards will inform people that we will be praying for their road in the coming week and will offer them a chance to ask for specific prayer. Samples of the prayer card can be seen at the back of church. **The first delivery takes place this week.** While we have volunteers for a number of weeks throughout the year, we need lots more offers of help. There is a list at the back of church, showing the street names and delivery dates. The number in red indicates the approximate number of houses in the road(s). Could you help out by delivering to a road once or twice a year? If you can, please add your name next to the street or road and make a note of the dates you'll need to be delivering. A box of cards will be permanently available in church so that volunteers can pick up what they need for their deliveries when it suits them.

Beds and Herts Historic Churches Annual 'Bike 'n Hike' Saturday, 10 September 10am-6pm

In this annual event where participants are asked to get themselves sponsored, the money raised is split equally between the participants' chosen church and the Trust. Over 600 churches and chapels can be visited. It's a very good way to visit our historic churches/chapels and to raise money for their upkeep. Any means of getting from one church to another is permissible – running, walking, travelling by bike, car, coach or on horseback! Last year no-one from St Mark's participated – it would be lovely if we could change that this year. Please do give this challenge your careful consideration and register your interest with **Mike Davies (01462 434202) or sign the form at the back of church.** Thanks in anticipation. *Mike Davies, St Mark's Co-ordinator*

Suggestions for Prayer

From our Cycle of Prayer we pray for:

Bible Society; Home carers; Fishponds Road, Bearton Avenue

From the Churches Together in Hitchin Prayer Link, we pray for:

Hitchin Christian Centre as they prepare for their outreach day for the Westmill community this month and also as they re-launch Alpha for the autumn.

Christchurch as they run a Youth Alpha course.

Prayer Requests

We also remember those people in need of long-term prayer support whose names are listed in our Prayer Request book in church. They are prayed for by name each month in church on the first, second or fourth Sunday of the month and are also prayed for each week by a group of people praying individually in their own homes. Please remember them and also those named on the Prayer Tree in church in your prayers.

Prayer Ministry

If you wish to pray with someone or to be prayed for at the end of the 10am service, John will be near the side altar today to listen, talk and pray with you.

How to contact us

While a few telephone numbers of church members may be included in this web version of the notice sheet, most contact details for events are published only in the hard copy, available in church. If you have no access to this, please contact Deirdre Parr on 01462 456184 or e-mail deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk