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ELECTION NEWS

Congratulations to Mrs Brenda Jennings on being re-elected for the Brickhill Ward, with over 60% of the vote. Full election results can be found at www.buckscc.gov.uk/moderngov

STATEMENT FROM THE BISHOP AND ARCHDEACON OF BUCKINGHAM

We have been working with the Rev Michelle Morton and others in the diocese to address the issues created by the recent publicity in the press, both for her own sake and for the sake of the congregations for which she is responsible, and those temporarily in her care. Michelle is officially now on sick leave, and should this continue in the long term we will be arranging to provide some interim ministry to ensure pastoral care and ministry continue in the absence of a priest in charge. We will continue to update you on any further developments and in the meantime ensure you of our continuing prayers for all concerned at this difficult time.

Alan, Bishop of Buckingham
and Archdeacon Karen

Meanwhile, we are lucky to have the Rev Peter Lymbery who will take Communion and Andrew Berry and his wife Lesley, who will play the organ, preach in turn and take family services until Michelle returns.



A LETTER FROM THE REV MICHELLE MORTON

The articles in the Mail have been very damaging for a lot of people; the school, the other three parishes, and particularly the Church at Stewkley.

I had prayed about how to deliver the news (of my separation from my husband) to the congregation. Reading through St Paul I remembered how he delivered news to the Church. So I delivered it in the way I knew how, through my sermon. I wanted the congregation to understand why. The events surrounding my illness last year caused a great deal of harm to my marriage. I moved out so that Michael and I could begin to put our relationship back together. It seemed sensible that I stayed close, and within the parishes; Michael has been the main carer for our children since I began my ministry - I have a lot of evening meetings and don't like leaving the children in the house on their own at night.

Michele Wilde is a close friend and a Good Samaritan - whilst I was ill last year she did what most other people didn't do - she didn't walk by on the other side.

As for my past, well it's what brought me into the ministry - I'm not embarrassed about the true facts surrounding my past. The Church knew all about it before I was ordained... my life has been turned around by faith, and that's how I talk about my past in that context, to help people understand that nothing and no-one is irredeemable.

The Rev Michelle Morton

SOULBURY BALL

This year's ball raised over £10,000 for the SPARKS Charity and other local causes. The weather was kind, allowing people to enjoy Mr and Mrs Pargeter's gardens at the same time they enjoyed the Pimms. The organisers would appreciate the return of five ice buckets that mysteriously disappeared at the end of the evening! As with previous events, this certainly was an evening not to be missed, so keep an eye out for the next one in 2011.

ADVANCED NOTICES

MOON WALK - Bletchley Lions Club annual charity Moon Walk will take place in Soulbury this year on Saturday 3rd October. 4.5 miles to start and finish at the Clubroom. Soup and rolls included. More information later from Mr Chris Bryant. (01525 270607)

AN EVENING WITH... - Peter Baxter, producer of Test Match Special for many years, will be giving a talk at Liscombe Park House on Wednesday 2nd September from 7pm.

Cost, £15, to include light refreshments. Numbers strictly limited so please email mrschris@soulbury.org or phone 01525 270607 for an application form.

All funds raised in aid of All Saint's Church

MILLENNIUM GREEN NEWS

The Annual General Meeting of the Trust took place on Monday June 29th in the Club Room. There will be a report of this in August's, next month's newsletter.

A reminder about the BARN DANCE on SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 5th to take place in ST BARNABUS' CHURCH in LINSLADE from 6.00pm till 11.00pm. Tickets are on sale from Elizabeth Caplan on 270838 or from Christine Sheppard on 270377. Cost of tickets is £15.00 for adults and £10.00 for children and includes a licensed bar, live band and caller and splendid cold buffet. Do please come and support this fund-raising event for the Millennium Green and have a good time.

YOUTH CLUB NEWS

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Priest in Charge : Michelle Morton : The Vicarage, Stewkley. Tel. 240287

Curate : Rev. Peter Lymbery : 17 Hartwell Crescent, Leighton Buzzard. Tel. 371235



Sunday	5th July	11:30am	FAMILY SERVICE
Sunday	12th July	11:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday	19th July	11:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday	26th July	11:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday	2nd August	11:30am	Holy Communion (no Family Service in August)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesdays	8th & 22nd	11:15am- 11:35am	Mobile Library - Stewkley Road Bus Stop	
Thursdays	2nd & 16th		Youth Club	Clubroom
Thursday	2nd July		AVDC Collection for Recycling & Glass	
Tuesday	14th July		WI - Trip to Bletchley Park	
Monday	20th July	7:30pm	Parish Council Meeting	Clubroom
Tuesday	21st July	8:00pm	WI - Social Evening	Clubroom
Thursday	16th July		AVDC Collection for Recycling	
Thursday	30th July		AVDC Collection for Recycling & Glass	

CRICKET FIXTURES

Sunday	5th July	Away	Drayton Parslow	Friendly
Saturday	11th July	Home	Shenley Church End	League
Saturday	18th July	Home	Olney Town	League
Sunday	19th July	Away	Eaton Bray	Friendly
Saturday	25th July	Away	Biddenham	League
Sunday	26th July	Away	Aldbury Entertainers	Friendly

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