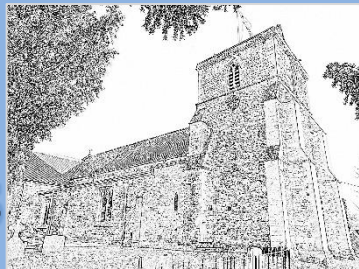


Parish Church & Community News



**Stone | Dinton | Ford | Upton | Hartwell | Bishopstone | Aston Sandford
Parishes within the Benefice of Wychert Vale**



In this month's issue

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Front Cover Image: Easter Font at St John the Baptist by Dee James

Editorial

Faithfulness springs forth from the earth, and righteousness looks down from heaven. The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest. Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps. —Psalm 85:11-13

I wonder if we will have along hot Summer. It has been so wet and cold I think we deserve one! I am not sure it works like that but you never know. The weather seems to even itself out. Perhaps there is a pattern after all.

At least there are two Bank Holidays to look forward to in May. Last year there were three May Bank Holidays because of the coronation of King Charles III. This year we have a May Bank holiday on the 6th May followed by Spring Bank Holiday on the 27th May.

Christianity does not promise sunshine all the time or perfect days. It is the mix of things we need. God has a plan and keeps his promises although a few more sunny days would work well!



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Parish Services and Calendar

May 2024	St John the Baptist Stone	St Peter & St Paul Dinton	Stone Methodist Chapel	St Michael & All Angels Aston Sandford
Sunday 5th May	9.00am Matins 10.30am Family Worship	9.00am Holy Communion	11.00 Holy Communion	
Sunday 12th May	10.30am Family Communion	6.00pm Evensong	11.00 Worship	
Sunday 19th May Pentecost	9.00am Matins 10.30am Family Worship	10.00am Holy Communion	11.00 Worship	11.00am Holy Communion Service
Sunday 26th May	10.30am Family Communion with Explorers		11.00 Cafe Church	
Sunday 2nd June	9.00am Matins 10.30am Family Worship		11.00 Worship	

**Changes/more details can be found in the churches' noticeboards and the website

News from Aston Sandford

In 1954 the National Federation of Women's Institutes passed a resolution at its AGM to start an anti-litter campaign. The result, a year later, was a conference of 26 organisations which set up *Keep Britain Tidy*. It was registered as a charity in 1960, and has undergone one or two name changes – Tidy Britain Group in 1987, then the less snappy ENCAMS (which stood for Environmental Campaigns) in 2002. Thankfully in 2009 the charity changed its name back to the far more memorable *Keep Britain Tidy*. Its familiar Tidy Man logo is from the 1960s. <https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/our-history> has some wonderful ads from earlier periods, including one of Jack Warner as Dixon of Dock Green warning us 'Litter is offensive. First offence up to £100'. There is one from the 1980s featuring, inevitably, the Wombles, promoting a National Spring Clean Day. Nowadays its strap line is 'eliminate litter, end waste, improve places'.

The Great British Spring Clean was introduced nine years ago. There is also a Great Big School Clean which runs at the same time. This year's events ran from 15th – 31st March. So Aston Sandford responded by repeating the litter pick which we did last year on the Coronation Weekend.

This year, 10½ months after the last litter pick, we had two sessions – one on the afternoon of Sunday 17th and the other on the following afternoon. Fortunately both afternoons were dry. The route followed was similar to that of last year - down our own lane; from the hump backed bridge along what is called by Bucks Council the Risborough Road to the A4129; and along to the parish boundary at Green Lane. Altogether 10 people joined in over the two days. Everything was beautifully organised as before by Sue Belgrove.

And goodness what a haul – apart from general rubble and several buckets of concrete they removed -

- Over 80 bags of general rubbish (40 bags were removed last May);
- Some office furniture
- A Hoover
- Shower curtain and rail
- Children's garden play equipment
- Lino
- Two rolls of carpet
- One radiator
- One council road traffic cone
- Two tyres
- One car battery
- One car bumper from a crashed car.

They also found several lumps of tarmac, slung into the ditch by road contractors – this outrage has been reported to the Council which we hope will remove them all.

But there is humour in everything. While unloading some of the haul from her trailer into the layby from which the Council were to collect the following day Sue was challenged by a passer-by who thought she was dumping. Very public spirited of the passer-by but it took Sue a while to persuade them of her credentials!
Huge congratulations to Sue and her team for all their hard work.

Marilynne A Morgan
Treasurer, Aston Sandford

YOU ARE SPECIAL

We all have important days in the year such as birthdays, anniversaries and holidays. We like to mark the changing seasons. They are a good excuse to change things, buy something new or have a clear out. Spring clean or a new Autumn coat, Summer shorts or Winter gloves. We are fortunate in this country to have such a varied and usually gentle climate. Special times are important to businesses selling must have new clothes, gardening tools and plants, fizzy drinks and pizzas.

The church has special days and times as well. Most of our public holidays started out as Holy Days and became holi-days.

The principal church events, sometimes called feasts are,

Advent – the beginning of the church year

Christmas Day

The Epiphany – the Wise Men visit Jesus

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple – sometimes called Candlemas

Easter

Ascension Day

Pentecost (Whit Sunday)

Trinity Sunday

All Saints' Day

Different churches have their own traditions and you could add to this list. Is it important to go to church at these times? In what way are they special?

The church seasons are important as through them we experience the different moods and events of the gospel story. It is also quite nice going to church at unusual times and days. We need to remember significant events. It is important to mark special times because the gospel message is everyone is special and we need to learn more about our faith.

Ascension and Pentecost

This month contains two important church events which are the Feast of the Ascension on Thursday 9 May 2024 and Pentecost on Sunday 19 May 2024. Ascension commemorates the bodily Ascension of Jesus into Heaven.

Acts 1:6–9

So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.

Pentecost takes place on the fiftieth day after Easter Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Virgin Mary and the Apostles while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles.

Acts

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

I like the long list of foreigners visiting Jerusalem. You could imagine someone peering over Luke’s shoulder as he wrote and saying, “Don’t forget those people”. It is a bit like an invitation list to a wedding or a list of Christmas cards.

“What does this mean?” they asked. It means everyone is invited to a new type of relationship with God.

*O Christ God, You have ascended in Glory,
Granting joy to Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit.
Through the blessing they were assured
That You are the Son of God,
The Redeemer of the world!*



OBITUARY



It is with great sadness we learn of the death of Douglas Watkinson of Biggs Lane Dinton. He was very well known in the village and was always out with his two beautiful dogs.

He had such an interesting career in writing screen plays for *Midsummer Murders* and many others.

Douglas was a real gentleman and friendly and supportive neighbour .

He will be sadly missed.’

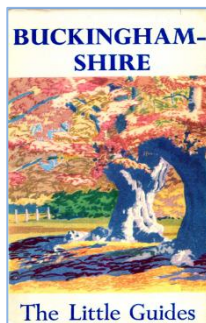
St Peter and St Paul Church Dinton would like some volunteer flower arrangers to join a group of three ladies who currently keep the church looking lovely with flower arrangements. Please ring Rosemary Jackson on 07751 393377 if you are interested.



BUCKINGHAMSHIRE THE LITTLE GUIDES BOOK

First published in 1903 revised 1950

(Continuing in our series of extracts from 'Buckinghamshire –
The Little Guides')



Aston Sandford



Aston Sandford is a small out-of-the-way village in the meadows of the Thame valley to the S. of Haddenham. It has only a small church (with a chancel, nave, and bell turret) which seems to have been rebuilt in the 13th century, from which date some fragments of glass in the E. window. The place obtained its second name from the family of Sandford who possessed the manor at the end of the 12th century.

Kingsey

Kingsey close to Haddenham is a small parish on the W. border of the county, was transferred to Oxfordshire in 1894, but once more transferred to Bucks. about half a century later in exchange for Towersey, which adjoins it. Both places lie close to Thame in the low-lying water-meadows of the river of that name. Their termination indicates that they were originally little islands in this marshy area. Kingsey Church was rebuilt 1892-3 in the Gothic manner incorporating some material from the earlier church, which dates from c. 1780.



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Tickets online:
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A Big Band Charity Concert supporting ASC Foundation to
build a school in Malawi and Dinton Church

Wildlife Spotlight

Peregrine Falcons in Buckinghamshire

By Mike Wallen – County Recorder of Birds, Buckinghamshire

The Peregrine Falcon (hereafter just Peregrine) is the world's fastest animal. In a stoop (a dive) it can reach speeds in excess of 200mph. Faster speeds than this have been claimed which may well be true, but it is certain that Peregrines are an apex predator, at the top of their food chain and will attack pretty much any bird if they choose to.



I fell in love with Peregrines when I saw my first one, in 1981 on the island of Skomer, Pembrokeshire. I was in awe of the bird then and I'm even more in awe of them now!

Peregrines have always been rare or uncommon in Bucks with very few records in the early 20th century but they became much more frequent in the very late stages of the 20th century into the 21st due to increased protection and the ban on certain pesticides.

In Bucks terms there hadn't been a record of one in the county in the 'summer months' until 2007 when a young male took up residence on County Hall, right in the middle of Aylesbury. This was the start of summering and ultimately breeding records in Bucks and this species has now gone from strength to strength in our urban environments.



Peregrines naturally move into our man-made structures (the higher the better) as they replicate the cliffs and out of reach places that they have historically inhabited.

Over the last 5 years we have had resident and breeding Peregrines in Aylesbury, Milton Keynes, Marlow and High Wycombe. All of these sites have benefitted from the provision of nesting platforms once birds are in residence.

In High Wycombe and Marlow the birds are on Churches, in Aylesbury they are at the traditional site of County Hall, and in Milton Keynes they are inside StadiumMK, the home of MK Dons.

There are probably pairs in more rural locations where birds often utilize the abandoned nests of Crows and Ravens, in trees or on pylons.

Peregrines usually lay 4 eggs and will often fledge (reach independent flight for the first time) 3 chicks from a brood. It takes about 6 weeks from the time the eggs hatch until they can fly.



We currently have 'CCTV cameras' on two of the nest sites, in Aylesbury and High Wycombe which can be enjoyed by visiting the Buckinghamshire Bird Club page on the internet (www.bucksbirdclub.co.uk).

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Dinton Church Annual Raffle of the Turkey Hamper

When I reported on the great success of the Hamper Raffle in January I also stated that David and I were retiring from organising it.

Much to our surprise and joy Paddy Lambert and Diane Smith of Starveall Farm have put themselves forward to take over the running from us.

They will continue with the same basic format and the profits will continue to be split between the Florence Nightingale Hospice and the Church Fabric Fund. Their home phone is 01296 748274 or you can call Paddy via 07768 930944.

You will be hearing more from them after the summer.

Thanks
Rosemary



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Open to Senior Citizens in Cuddington and surrounding villages. Activities include monthly Tea and Card Games in Cuddington Playing Fields Clubhouse, bi-monthly Matinee Cinema in the Bernard Hall, Coach outings, a Summer Garden Party and a Christmas party.

Next events:
13th May : Tea and Card Games

For more information telephone Angela Wenham 01844 291932
or email apdwenham@gmail.com

Extra hands needed.....

Would you like to help put this magazine together?

We are seeking a volunteer to join our editorial team and help with preparing the magazine for print on a monthly rota basis. You'll need a PC/Laptop and a good working knowledge of Microsoft Word. The editorial team meet once a month over Zoom and magazine content is submitted through the team via email.



If you'd like to join us please contact the Editor, David Pickup



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**Thank you
David Pickup
Editor**

ROMANIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH SERVICES – St Peter & St Paul, Dinton

Wednesday 1st of May- Holy & Great Wednesday (last day of confessions)

07:00- The Liturgy of Pre-sanctified Gifts
09:00- Confessions (*with booking*)
16:30- Confessions (*with booking*)
18:30- Sacrament of Holy Unction

Thursday 2nd of May- Holy & Great Thursday- Mystical Supper

09:00- Vespers & Liturgy of Sf Basil the Great
18:30- Matins of the Twelve Gospels

Friday 3rd of May- Holy & Great Friday- Passions, Crucifixion and Burial of our Lord Jesus Christ

09:00- Royal Hours
16:00- Vespers & Services of the Epitaphios
18:30- Matins Burial of the Lord & Procession around the Church

Saturday 4th of May- Holy & Great Saturday

09:00- Vespers & Liturgy of St Basil
20:00- Setting the Church for Easter
22:00- Canon of Holy & Great Saturday

ORTHODOX EASTER SERVICE

Saturday- Sunday 4/5th of May

23:00- Service of Holy Resurrection- Matins with the Procession around the Church
00:30- Divine Liturgy of St John
02:30- Parish Easter Breakfast- Bring & Share
03:00- Cleaning the Church

Monday 6th of May- Easter Monday

08:00- Matins
09:00- Divine Liturgy
11:30- Buffet- Bring & Share

Tuesday 7th of May- Easter Tuesday

No Service

Thursday 9th of May- Bright Thursday Life-giving Spring Icon of the Most Holy Mother of God Eve

19:00- Vesperal Divine Liturgy & Blessing of Waters

Saturday 11th of May- Bright Saturday

08:00- Divine Liturgy
10:00- Baptisms

Sunday 12th of May

Second Sunday of Pascha: Antipascha- St Thomas Sunday

08:00- Matins
09:15- Divine Liturgy

Tuesday 14th of May

17:00- Confessions
19:00- Supplication Canon of the Mother of God

PATRONAL FEAST WEEKEND- MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN CELEBRATION

Friday 17th of May

17:00- Confessions
19:00- Sacrament of Holy Unction

Saturday 18th of May

08:00- Divine Liturgy
17:00- No Confessions
Patronal Feast Vigil:
18:00- Vespers with Lithia
20:00- Matins
21:30- Buffet: Bring & Share

Sunday 19th of May- Myrrh Bearing Women Sunday- Patronal Feast Day - all invited

11:45- Greeting the Hierarchy

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Mothers Day

A very big thank you to all who gave up their time to help create and put together the beautiful and colourful Mothers Day posies for our church, 35 of which were taken to the residents and staff of Stone House, who were so pleased and happy to receive them.



Easter Sunday



A selection of local Facebook pages to follow for local news and events.



Parish and Community News

Search Facebook with @stonedintonparishnews



Stone, Bishopstone and Hartwell Parish Council

Search Facebook with: @sbhpc



Stone, Buckinghamshire – a local community page

Search Facebook with: @StoneBuckinghamshire



Wyched Vale Benefice

Search Facebook with: @WychedValeBenefice



Stone, Dinton & Hartwell – church news

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Diocese of Oxford

Search Facebook with: @dioceseofoxford



Dinton/Ford/Upton/Westlington/Gibraltar

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Local ‘Cinema’ dates

Did you know about the local film screenings in Haddenham and Cuddington – several films to see every month and not too far to travel!

See the Village Calendar at the back of the magazine for dates and film titles.



Dinton with Ford & Upton Parish Council Meetings



The next Dinton with Ford and Upton Parish Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday, 14th May** in Dinton Village Hall. Meetings are scheduled to start at 7.30pm unless otherwise notified differently on the agenda.

2024 meeting dates

14 th May	10 th September
11 th June	8 th October
9 th July	12 th November
No meeting in August	10 th December

Many thanks for the old coins which you send to me. Recently we raised about £25.00 from a mixed bag of European including Swiss Francs, German Marks and even Hong Kong Dollars.

Another kind person donated five or six East African shillings. A relative served in the army there possibly in the 1950s?

Editor, David Pickup

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Wednesday: 22nd May

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MONTH	STONE	HADDENHAM	DINTON
May	1 st -15 th -29 th	22 nd	8 th
June	12 th -26 th	19 th	5 th
July	10 th -24 th	17 th	3 rd -31 st
August	7 th -21 st	14 th	28 th
September	4 th -18 th	11 th	25 th
October	2 nd -16 th -30 th	9 th	23 rd
November	13 th -27 th	6 th	20 th
December	11 th -25 th	4 th	18 th



SOCIALLY CRAFTY MEETS
EVERY 3RD MONDAY OF THE
MONTH

(excepting Bank Holidays)

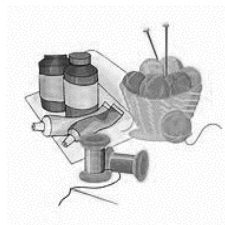
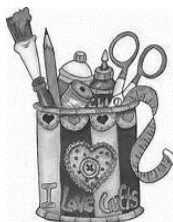
10.30am - 12.30

in St John the Baptist Church, Stone

COME ALONG AND:



- **Make friends**
- **Drink Coffee**
- **Eat Cake**
- **Do Crafts if you want**
- **Learn something new**
- **Share your talents**



EVERYONE IS WELCOME

**There is no commitment to come every month
just come when you can and join in.**

Parish and other websites

Church	https://stonedintonhartwell.com/
Stone with Bishopstone and Hartwell Parish Council	http://www.sbhpc.org/
Jubilee Pavilion	http://www.sbhpc.org/Jubilee-Pavilion/Jubilee-Pavilion-Home
Dinton with Ford and Upton Parish Council	https://www.dinton.org/
Dinton News	https://www.dinton.info/
Benefice Website	https://www.wychertvale.org/
Oxford Diocese (The Church of England serving the people of Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Buckinghamshire)	https://www.oxford.anglican.org/
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SJB

Stone Methodist Chapel

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The Chapel with heart, at the heart of the village
WELCOME TO WORSHIP EACH SUNDAY @ 11 a.m.

Village friends and amenities continue to be prayed for week by week,
and following an alphabetical list of village streets –

Hagar Street, Jefferies Road, Lee Crescent and Long Furlong
will be remembered on the four Sundays of May

REMEMBER – there is a postbox in the Chapel porch for an special prayer
requests

[anonymous if you prefer]

ACTIVITIES IN WEEK

SATURDAY 4th MAY :

Pick up YOUR PICNIC LUNCH BAG from the Chapel
and enjoy it in Chris Beatties' garden at Mayerin,
Churchway, while you choose from her colourful
and interesting collection of PLANTS
[see separate notice]

SATURDAY 18th MAY

Stock up for your summer reading at the Chapel's
ALL DAY BOOK SALE and enjoy 'All Day
refreshments' Morning Coffee, Lunchtime Toasties,
afternoon tea *[see separate notice]*

17. And a plea for helpers – please

(1) Will you help to deliver THE BIG RED ENVELOPES

No need to call back to collect if you prefer not to [though that is the ideal]
they can be labelled to be returned to a central point. If you could deliver
to just half a dozen neighbours that would be a real help.

(2) Will you organise a fund-raising event?

Contact Sue Spinks with your ideas and offers: Details above . THANK YOU.

BOOKWORM invites YOU to the GREAT SPRING
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FOR



SATURDAY 18th MAY

10 am - 4.00 pm

@ METHODIST CHAPEL, Eythrope Road

where you can enjoy

MORNING COFFEE, LUNCHTIME TOASTIES

AFTERNOON TEA

while browsing [and buying!] from books galore



PLANT SALE for



SATURDAY 4th MAY

MAYERIN, CHURCHWAY

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ART EXHIBITION AT ORCHARD VIEW FARM IN JUNE

Bucks Art Weeks is an exciting event showcasing hundreds of artists from across the county

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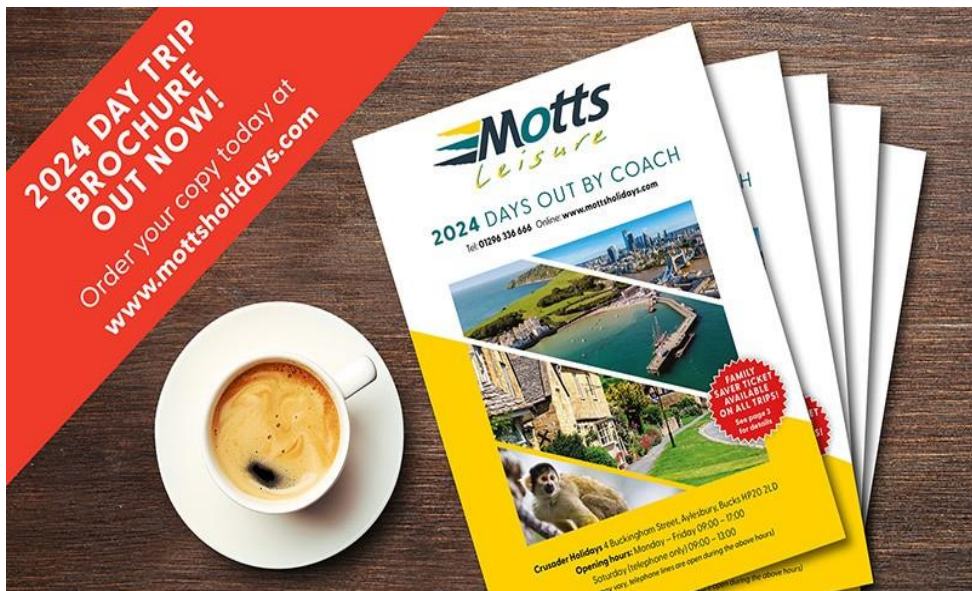
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1	Simply Walk
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3	EYAI Community Café, Stone, 1-4pm
4	Café in The Park, Stone, 10am-12 noon Picnic Lunch Bag Collection Stone Methodist Church 12 noon-2pm Plant Sale Stone Methodist Church 1pm – 4pm
5	Church Services
6	
7	Café in the Park, Stone, 10am-12 noon
8	Simply Walk
9	Thursday Club 2pm Cuddington Screen (Bernard Hall) “The Colour Purple” (Cert PG) 7.30pm
10	EYAI Community Café, Stone, 1-4pm
11	
12	Church Services
13	Cuddington Sunshine Club meeting 7.30pm – Tea and Card Games
14	Café In The Park, Stone 11am-1pm Dinton with Ford and Upton Parish Council meeting 7.30pm Haddenham Screen (Youth & Community Centre) “Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny” (Cert 12) 7.30pm
15	Simply Walk
16	Little Wrigglers Group, Stone, 9am Cuddington Screen (Bernard Hall) “Titanic Musical” (Cert PG) 7.30pm
17	EYAI Community Café, Stone, 1-4pm
18	Book Sale Café Day 10am – Stone Methodist Church
19	Church Services
20	Socially Crafty, St John the Baptist, Stone 10.30am-12.30pm Cuddington Matinee Screening “Summerland” (Cert 12A) 1.30pm
21	Café In The Park, Stone 11am-1pm
22	Simply Walk
23	Cuddington Screen (Bernard Hall) “Oppenheimer” (Cert 15) 7.30pm
24	EYAI Community Café, Stone, 1-4pm
25	
26	Church Services
27	Stone Fete 12 noon-4pm
28	Café In The Park, Stone 11am-1pm Fourth Tuesday Fellowship 2.30pm
29	Simply Walk
30	Cuddington Screen (Bernard Hall) “The Holdovers” (Cert 15) 7.30pm
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