

## What's On @ St Michael & All Angels Parish Church, Shefford

The United Benefice Of Meppershall & Shefford

### MARCH 2010

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- contact: Jenny Dann 01462 817337. A Song'n'Storybook audio CD will follow later**

Monday 1	10am	Funeral Service in church: Leonard Maurice Brooks
	7.30-9pm	Ecumenical Lent group at 58 Ivel Road: Words of challenge, words of life. Contact Dave Haseldine 01462 813284 or Jim Ragless 01462 812200
	7.30pm	Meppershall Alpha course begins - contact John Harper 01462 813334
Tuesday 2	10.30-12.00	Coffee Shop
	2.30pm	Tuesday Afternoon Group: speaker John Harper
	8pm	Word of Life meeting at 17 Oakwood Road: Frank Bond 01462 812730
Wednesday 3	10am-11am	MINI-M: worship and fun for babies and toddlers (0's to 4's) with their parents/minders. Today's theme: Promises and celebrations
	7.45pm	PCC meeting
	DAILY BREAD orders by today, please: see display table or ring Michelle 01462 814117	
Thursday 4	1.30-3.30pm	HFT Café
Friday 5	9.50am	Holy Communion
	10.40-12.00	Tea/coffee served : prayer ministry available
	2.15pm	Women's World Day of Prayer Service at Shefford Methodist Church: speaker Patsy Critchley. Refreshments and book stall - all welcome
Saturday 6	12.30-1.30pm	Ecumenical Lent Lunch in Shefford Community Hall (simple soup lunch, donations to Christian Aid)
<b>Sunday 7</b>	8.30am	Holy Communion
	9.45am	Morning Praise
	2.30pm	Holy Communion at the Birches (everyone welcome)
Monday 8	7.45pm	Shefford & District Bible Society Action Group meeting at 5 Westfield Road, Henlow, led by Margaret Edmonds. Theme: Who is my neighbour?
	7.30-9pm	Ecumenical Lent group at 58 Ivel Road: Words of challenge, words of life
Tuesday 9	10.30-12.00	Coffee Shop
	DAILY BREAD orders delivered this morning	
Thursday 11	1.30-3.30pm	HFT Café
Friday 12	9.50am	Holy Communion
	10.40-12.00	Tea/coffee served : prayer ministry available
Saturday 13	9am-1pm	Shefford Farmers' Market - refreshments served in church
	+10am-1pm	Shefford Local History group: share your memories of Shefford
	12.30-1.30pm	Ecumenical Lent Lunch in Shefford Community Hall (simple soup lunch, donations to Christian Aid)
<b>Sunday 14</b>	9.45am	Family Communion + Messengers
	5pm	Tea & cakes
	6pm	Second Sunday @ Six: Come and enjoy worship with a different flavour - participate as much or as little as you like
Monday 15	7.30-9pm	Ecumenical Lent group at 58 Ivel Road: Words of challenge, words of life
Tuesday 16	10.30-12.00	Coffee Shop
	8pm	Deanery Lent Communion Service at St Michael's: preacher Jenny Dann
Wednesday 17	10am-11am	MINI-M: worship and fun for babies and toddlers (0's to 4's) with their parents/minders. Today's theme: Shipwreck!
Thursday 18	1.30-3.30pm	HFT Café
Friday 19	9.50am	Morning Prayer with hymns & address
	10.40-12.00	Tea/coffee served : prayer ministry available
Saturday 20	12.30-1.30pm	Ecumenical Lent Lunch in Shefford Community Hall (simple soup lunch, donations to Christian Aid)
<b>Sunday 21</b>	9.45am	Family Communion + Messengers
	2.30pm	Ecumenical Service at The Birches (everyone welcome)
Monday 22	7.30-9pm	Ecumenical Lent group at 58 Ivel Road: Words of challenge, words of life
Tuesday 23	10.30-12.00	Coffee Shop

Thursday 25	1.30-3.30pm	HFT Café
Friday 26	9.50am	Holy Communion
	10.40-12.00	Tea/coffee served : prayer ministry available
	10am-3.30pm	Shefford & District Bible Society Action Group QUIET DAY at Providence Baptist Church, Clifton, led by Rt Revd Richard Inwood, Bishop of Bedford: "Walking with Jesus through Holy Week"
Saturday 27	12.30-1.30pm	Ecumenical Lent Lunch in Shefford Community Hall (simple soup lunch, donations to Christian Aid)
	4pm-5.30pm	Stories4Saturdays: informal sharing around a Bible story theme. Every 4th Saturday of the month - more info Jenny Dann 01462 817337
	8.30-9.30pm	WWF Earth Hour - switch off your lights for one hour and show you care about climate change. More info <a href="http://www.support.wwf.uk/earth_hour">www.support.wwf.uk/earth_hour</a>

<b>Sunday 28</b>	9.30am	PALM SUNDAY PROCESSION (with donkey) from Community Hall
	9.45am	Family Service with Baptism: Charlotte Firkins
	3pm	Ecumenical Service at Wren Park (everyone welcome)
	6pm	Holy Communion
Tuesday 30	10.30-12.00	Coffee Shop
Wednesday 31	10am-11.30am	MINI-M Extra: Drop in and help us make an Easter garden. Children of all ages welcome!

### LOOKING FORWARD TO APRIL 2010...

Thursday 1	1.30-3.30pm	HFT Café
	Evening	Maundy Thursday Holy Communion with foot washing (time/venue TBA)
Good Friday	9.15 onwards	Distribution of hot cross buns: helpers welcome (Jenny 01462 817337)
	9.50am	"Before the Cross": short reflective service
	11am	Walk of Witness, starting at Shefford Baptist Church and calling at each of the churches, ending at Shefford Methodist Church
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	9am	Easter Breakfast: "Champagne & Hippolytus"
	9.45am	Family Communion
	2.30pm	Holy Communion at the Birches (everyone welcome)
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	2.30pm	Tuesday Afternoon Group
	8pm	Word of Life meeting at 17 Oakwood Road: Frank Bond 01462 812730
Wednesday 7	10am-11am	MINI-M: worship and fun for babies and toddlers (0's to 4's) with their parents/minders. Today's theme: Jesus is risen!
	DAILY BREAD orders by today, please: see display table or ring Michelle 01462 814117	

### PRAYER REQUESTS...

St Michael's has a prayer book which you can use to ask us to pray for you, or for anyone that you know that needs praying for – you will find it on a small table in front of the Lady Chapel at the back of the Church – do feel free to use it – we include all requests for prayer from this book in our Sunday services.

### HOME VISITS...

If you would like to receive a visit at home, to receive Communion, for prayer, or for a chat, please contact John Harper, Patsy Critchley or Jenny Dann (telephone numbers at the foot of this page)

**Details of events for the April 2010 "What's On" should reach Jenny Dann  
NO LATER THAN TUESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> MARCH, THANK YOU!**

#### Regular Events:

#### Plus...

**Coffee Shop** - every Tuesday 10.30-12.00 - run by the Biggleswade Adult Centre  
**HFT Café** – every Thursday 1.45 – 3.30 – run by Home Farm Trust  
**Teas, coffees & home-made goodies**  
**Time-4-U** - If you need someone to talk to (in confidence), we have the listeners available

#### Contacts:

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