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Partnership News

15 August 2004
20 in Ordinary

The Methodist Church & the Church of England in Partnership at both
Putnoe Heights Church & St. Mark's Church



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Church Services Today

8.30am Service of Holy Communion

Held at Putnoe Heights only

9.30am St Mark's Church – Holy Communion

Preacher - Revd Dr Joan Crossley
Leadership Team - Mr Mike Cooper
Intercessions - Mrs Pat Leusby

11.00am Putnoe Heights – Holy Communion

Preacher - Revd Dr Joan Crossley
Leadership Team - Mr Alan Cooper
Intercessions - Mrs Claire Peck

21st in Ordinary — 22 August

8.30 am Service of Holy Communion

Held at St Mark's only

9.30am St. Mark's Church – Morning Worship

Preacher - Revd Neil Bramble-Chapman
Leadership Team - Mrs Linda Parry
Intercessions – Mr John Stubbs

11.00am Putnoe Heights - Morning Worship

Preacher – Revd Neil Bramble-Chapman
Leadership Team - Mr Alan Bayliss
Intercessions - Ministers

Thank You

The flowers in the Chapel at St Mark's this week have been donated by Hazel Caine in memory of her husband George and son Mark.

The flowers at Putnoe Heights Church this week have been given by Christina and Maurice Halsey in loving memory of their granddaughter, Davine Stuart.

Prayer for Sunday

Increase your grace in us, O Lord, that we may fear your Name beyond which nothing is more holy; that we may love you, beyond whom nothing is more loveable; that we may glorify you beyond whom nothing is more worthy of praise, and that we may long for you beyond whom nothing is more desirable; and grant that thus fearing, loving, glorifying and longing we may see you, face to face; through Christ our Lord.
Amen *Desiderius Erasmus, 1466-1536*

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*Please inform us if you know of anyone who is ill, bereaved,
housebound, requires a visit, home communion or counselling services.
Please also ask us if you would like a home visit for any reason.*

Putnoe Heights Church Centre

Open 9am - 1.00pm Monday & Friday

9am - 4pm Tuesday/Wednesday & Thursday

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Regular Weekly Activities - A Guide To Our Churches

Monday

- 9.30 - 12.00 pm Pre-school** (See website for more details) Mrs Janet Smith 326685 (Putnoe Heights) or Mrs. Helen Harpin **312634** (St. Mark's).
- 10.00 am Day Care Centre** at St. Mark's Church for those with Learning Difficulties. Contact K Stenton 07748 760082
- 12.00pm - 1.00pm Storybox** at Putnoe Heights Church. Service for parents/carers & children under 5. Please bring a pic nic lunch during the summer,, Bible Stories Children's activities songs and prayers, all in one hour from 12-1pm!
- 4.15 - 5.45pm Kumon Maths** at Putnoe Heights. Contact Ms R.Mistry 01908 217555
- 6.00pm Brownies** St Mark's. Mrs Gill Lake 218091
- 6.15 pm Brownies** Putnoe. Alison McEwen 358583
- 7.30pm Sugarcraft Guild** meets first Monday every month at St. Mark's Mrs. Jill Williams 357020
- 7.15 m Guides** -St. Mark's. Mrs Gill Lake 218091
- 7.30- 9.30pm Creative Needles** at Putnoe Heights. Mrs Hayward 307648
- 7.30pm Whist Drive** - At St Mark's each month. Next 16 August St. Mark's Contact Mrs. Judith Stanton. 823313
- 7.30pm Housegroup** 30 The Ridgeway. The home of Eddy & Margaret Peck 267567.
- 8.00 - 9.00 pm 'Get Fit, Stay Fit'** at Putnoe Heights. Mrs Diane Field 404976

Tuesday

- 9.30am - 12.30pm Candlewicking** (Needlework) at Putnoe Heights - Mrs Olive Shotbolt 267203
- 9.30am - 11.30pm Jo Jingles** at St. Mark's. Music & movement for pre-school children. Contact Renu Elston 01908 282866
- 10.00am - 11.00am - Keep Fit** at Putnoe Heights. Contact Mrs Stileman 822230
- 1.30 -3.00pm Putnoe Heights Church Toddlers Playtime** Contact Geraldine Skeel 406828
- 12 noon - 10.00 pm Slimming World** at St. Mark's. Sessions start at 12, 1.30pm, 4pm, 5.30pm & 7.15pm Contact Val Careless 345213.
- 2.15pm Putnoe Heights Women's Fellowship** - Next meeting - 10 August Summer Meeting Contact Mrs Betty Wyatt 350188
- 2.15pm Putnoe Heights Men's Fellowship.** Next meeting 14th September Contact Lawrence Wyatt 350188.
- 2.30pm Mother Teresa Support Group.** Meets fortnightly at St. Mark's. Wool and knitting needles provided. Contact Mrs Joan Gravett 356911 and Mrs Marjorie Taylor 305709
- 2.30pm Tuesday Afternoon Housegroup.** Meets fortnightly at St. Mark's Church. Contact Mary Stubbs 406784.
- 3.30 - 4.30pm Putnoe Heights Church Essential Stretch** Contact Caroline 07778 898135 or 326096

- 6.30 - 7.30pm Yoga** at Putnoe Heights. Contact Rachel Leontyne 01234 783129
- 6.45pm Guides** at Putnoe Heights - Liz Rix 363607
- 7.00 - 8.00 pm Keep Fit at St. Mark's Church.** Contact Mrs Jan Gregory 214107.
- 7.30- 9.00pm Bibleway Church** at Putnoe Heights - Bible study & prayers. Contact Revd.Tarr 309881 or 07891095746
- 7. 45 pm Putnoe Heights Ladies Tuesday Club** - Meets fortnightly . Contact Mrs C Davies 219130.
- 8.30-9.30pm St. Mark's - Qi Gong** (Self help healing) group) - Contact Mr F Steele 355937

Wednesday

- 10.00 am Childminding Support Group** at Putnoe Heights. Mrs S Longman 313949
- 10.00 am Day Care Centre** Putnoe Height Church for those with Learning Difficulties. Contact K Stenton 07748 760082
- 10.00 am Holy Communion** at St. Mark's Chapel. A half hour service followed by coffee. All welcome.
- 10am Sewing & Chat** Putnoe Heights Contact Valerie Russell 01462 815966
- 12 - 1pm Putnoe Height Church Total Body Toning** Contact Caroline 07778 898135 or 326096
- Luncheon Club** at St. Mark's meets fortnightly. Next one 8 September Contact St. Mark's 342613
- 1.30 - 4.00pm. Bridge Club for the Retired** - Meets weekly at St. Mark's. Mrs Truss Boyce 781133
- 4.15 - 5.45pm Kumon Maths** at Putnoe Heights Contact Ms R Mistry 01908 217555
- 6. - 7.00pm Self Defence at Putnoe** Contact Mr James 07711 687449
- 6.00 -7.30 pm Brownies** at St Mark's Contact Mrs Carol Warden 219731
- 7.00pm St. Mark's Church Bunyan Bridge.** Contact Brian Sallows 407725
- 7-10pm Putnoe Guild** - Putnoe Heights 3rd Wednesday each month. Contact Mrs Dallas 212609
- 7.45 - 8.45pm Kick Boxing** Junior classes St. Mark's. Mr James 07711687449 or 07810234890
- 7.45pm Badminton Club** at Putnoe Heights - all welcome. Contact Ken Marriott 214867

Thursday

- 9.30am Thursday Prayer Group** at Putnoe Heights in the side chapel. Sylvia Cohen 343424 *Request for prayer can be written in the prayer diary on the information table.*
- 10.30am - 12.00am Brickhill Clinic** at St Mark's with **Fledglings 2.00pm—3.00pm** Contact 267444
- 10.00am - 11.30am Yoga** at Putnoe Heights Contact 244970
- 12 - 1.00 pm Storybox** at St Mark's Church. Service for parents, carers & children under 5. Sandwich lunch, Bible Stories, Children's activities, songs & prayers, all in one hour from 12-1pm.

1.30 - 3.00 pm St. Mark's Church Toddler Group.

Contact Debbie Coppenhall 356828.

1.30 -3.00pm Putnoe Heights Church Toddlers

Playtime Contact Geraldine Skeel 406828

2.30 Bedford Arts Society at St. Mark's. Contact Celia Maddison 782901

6.15 pm Weightwatchers at St. Mark's.

Contact Mrs Margaret Ralph 01767 224978.

6.15pm Brownies at Putnoe Mrs S Lewis 300198

7.30 - 9.30pm Club 2000 Putnoe 2nd Thursday of the month. Contact Mrs Moreton 771261

6.15 - 7.30pm Bedford Junior Chess Club. St. Mark's Contact Mr & Mrs Pike 823795

7.30pm - 11.00pm Bedford Senior Chess Club at St Mark's Contact Mr Hatton 824988

7.30 - 9.30pm Embroiderer's Guild St Mark's- 3rd Thursday month. Contact Mrs K Sage 771525

7.45pm. Housegroup-Meets fortnightly at 3 Little Headlands. Newcomers always welcome. Contact Betty Wyatt 350188

8.00 - 10pm Bedford Writers Circle meets at St Mark's Church 3rd Thursday each month. Contact Mr John Broadhouse 740271

Friday

10.00 am Day Care Centre at St. Mark's Church Contact K Stenton 07748 760082

6 -7.00 pm Self Defence at Putnoe Contact Mr James 0771 687449 or 07810 234890

7. 30 - 9.30pm Young Peoples meeting Contact Pastor Tarr 376841

7.30pm Music Group St. Mark's Church/monthly

6.30pm -8.30 pm Dog Training Classes at St. Mark's Contact Mrs L. Laton 365601

Saturday

10.00am - 1.00pm & 2 - 5pm Theatre Train at St Mark's -dancing acting, singing,- Kate Randle 304865

7.15pm - 10.30pm Duplicate Bridge at St Mark's Contact Ann or Peter 212066

Peace Project Saturday School at Putnoe Heights. For details contact Mrs.E.Tarr 309881

Sunday

1- 3pm & 7-9pm Bibleway Church at Putnoe Heights - Worship. Contact Revd. Tarr 309881 Mob. 07891095746

News, Views and Information

The Calendar

Putnoe Centre Management

St Mark's Church Council

October 13 2004, February 1 2005

Churchyards Committee

Next meeting Monday 6 September, 10am

St Mark's Centre Management Meeting

Wednesday 29 September,

Wednesday 10 November

St Mark's Leadership Team

Wednesday 8 September

Putnoe Heights Leadership Team

Monday 6th September

Putnoe Church Council

11 October 2004, 7 February 2005

13 June 2005, 10 October 2005

Pastoral Group Wednesday 15 September at 2.30pm

Calendar dates now appear on our church website www.ThisChurch.com. Please advise us if you have a date to be added to the church calendar.

Summer Holy Communion

Please note the 8.30am Holy Communion will be alternate in July and August. The first occasion will be July 18 when we will meet at Putnoe Heights Church. Dates can be found on the church website

22 August at St. Mark's Church

29 August at Putnoe Heights Church

5 September Normal practice resumes

Thank you After faithfully distributing the Sunday flowers for over 30 years, Jennie Cooper feels that the time has come to hand over to someone else. Her valuable work on behalf of the Church has been greatly appreciated by the recipients, whether needing support in difficult times or celebrating a happy occasion. Our grateful thanks to Jennie.

The Fun Run has so far raised a magnificent £1,772. Please would the few remaining runners hand in their sponsor money. Thanks again to everyone involved. Joan Crossley.

Junior Church at Putnoe is organising a day of activities, craft and fun for children aged 4-12 on August 25th 10.30 -3.30pm. We will be celebrating JESUS "The Good Shepherd" Day. There is no charge. Please bring a packed lunch. Drinks provided. Contact Sam Ware 313181 or Joan 344536 for information.



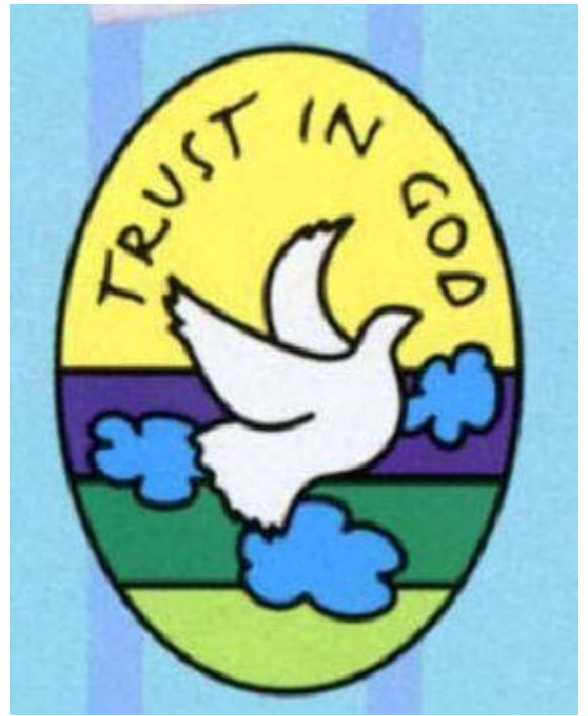
Bible Notes Ordinary 20

Opening Verse of Scripture Romans Chapter 8

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

A Collect Prayer - Before we read we pray

God of the nations, to whose table all are invited and in whose kingdom no one is a stranger: hear the cries of the hungry and mercifully extend to all the peoples on earth the joy of your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen



First Reading –Jeremiah 23: 23-29

"Am I only a God nearby," declares the LORD , "and not a God far away? Can anyone hide in secret places so that I cannot see him?" declares the LORD . "Do not I fill heaven and earth?" declares the LORD . "I have heard what the prophets say who prophesy lies in my name. They say, 'I had a dream! I had a dream!' How long will this continue in the hearts of these lying prophets, who prophesy the delusions of their own minds? They think the dreams they tell one another will make my people forget my name, just as their fathers forgot my name through Baal worship. Let the prophet who has a dream tell his dream, but let the one who has my word speak it faithfully. For what has straw to do with grain?" declares the LORD . "Is not my word like fire," declares the LORD , "and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces? (Reader: This is the word of the Lord—
All: Thanks be to God)

Second Reading- Hebrews 11:29-12:2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the people had marched around them for seven days. By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient. And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel and the prophets, who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. Women received back their dead, raised to life again. Others were tortured and refused to be released, so that they might gain a better resurrection. Some faced jeers and flogging, while still others were chained and put in prison. They were stoned¹ ; they were sawed in two; they were put to death by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated-- the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God (Reader: This is the word of the Lord - **All: Thanks be to God)**

Gospel Reading –Luke 12: 49 –56

After the Gospel is announced **All: Glory to Christ our Saviour**

"I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is completed! Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division. From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three. They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." He said to the crowd: "When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, 'It's going to rain,' and it does. And when the south wind blows, you say, 'It's going to be hot,' and it is. Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky. How is it that you don't know how to interpret this present time? (Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ –**All: Praise to Christ our Lord.**)

Post Communion Prayer God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gates of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymns (Please distribute Mission Praise and Holy Communion Booklets)

- 1 Let all the world, 404;
- 2 Give thanks, 170;
3. Judge eternal, 395,
4. Guide me, 201

Commentary.

Those who like to think of Jesus as being always mild and calm should re-read this morning's passage from the Gospel according to St Luke. Jesus sounds cross and impatient with the blindness of His contemporaries. He lambasts them for focusing on superficial matters, such as forecasting the weather. But the attention and intelligence being used in this task should be applied to something far more significant: their rightness with God. People tend to see what they want to see and ignore things they would prefer not to know. I am continually amazed by the aimless spiritual hunger manifested in our times. It is not that people do not believe – it is that some people would believe in just about anything! I am continually appalled by the money and time thrown away on false predictions and superstitious methods of "foretelling the future". It is as if some people are looking for a spirituality that you can buy (crystals, earth worship, numerology, white witchcraft, dream catchers etc.) and then put in a drawer and forget, forming a belief system which is so vague that it requires no effort. The Christian faith, rooted in the Jewish tradition,, offers a way of living which has been tried and tested over millennia by wise and good people. It has transformed lives, inspired great acts of courage and self-sacrifice (Paul lists the "cloud of witnesses" in the passage from Hebrews). Jesus' teachings offer the two great precepts for living "love God and love your neighbour as yourself". But the simplicity of the faith belies the great effort it requires on the part of the faithful. The more we learn about our Faith and the women and men who have followed it, the richer and more profoundly satisfying it becomes. It is both simple enough for a child to understand and intellectually challenging enough to absorb the wisest minds in history. The Reverend Dr Joan Crossley

Meditation

"Stand up! Stand up for Jesus! Ye soldiers of the Cross, lift high his royal banner; it must not suffer loss." That well-known hymn was written in the reign of Queen Victoria, when Britain was at the height of its period of Imperial expansion. This was a time when huge tracts of Africa and the Indian sub-continent were under British rule. The seizing of other nations' possessions: dominating them, converting them to British customs and laws not only seemed right but was perceived as being our destiny as a nation – it was known as the "white man's burden". Christianity went hand in hand with this kind of military domination. Christianity was imposed on the native populations and was seen as being a way not only of saving the souls of the benighted foreigners but of imposing discipline and order on them. Imperial warfare therefore had a spiritual

dimension, since it brought new souls to the faith. This hymn seems to be both about battle against an external enemy and about fighting spiritual battles. There are still battles to be won for Jesus. The enemy, though, isn't as easy to identify or as easy to dominate. The last great battle we all fight is against ourselves, against our own greed, materialism, self-centeredness and indifference. It is a constant battle, against an enemy which is evasive and hard to put down, but we have to continue to "fight the good fight" against our personal weaknesses, so that the truth of Jesus may triumph.

Prayers for Sunday and the week ahead

God, who from old, taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant to us by the same spirit to have a right judgment in all things and to evermore rejoice in his holy comfort. Amen.

Heavenly Father, help us to live this day and each day, as if it were our last. Amen

Take my body, O Christ, to do your work, for here on earth you have no body now but mine. Take my hands to be your hands and my feet to walk in the ways of your feet. Take my eyes to be the eyes of your own compassion shining forth upon a troubled world; for your own mercy's sake. Amen Teresa of Avila, 1515-1582

God our Father, be near to our children growing up in the peril and confusion of these times. Guard them from the forces of evil at work in our society, and lead them in the paths of goodness and truth; enable us as parents, grandparents, family members or as friends to give them at all times the security of our love and the help of our example and our prayers. Amen (Edward Peck)

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
I long for you like dry, weary land without water.
Give me your strength and your glory.

I wish to praise you all my life fill my soul as with a banquet.
I cling to you; hold me close in your hands.

Psalm 63

Prayer for Christian Healing

Please remember that you may ask for prayer for Christian healing for yourself or somebody else at any of our communion services. Simply cross your arms over your chest before receiving the bread and wine and a minister will pray this prayer with you



'In the name of God and trusting in his might alone, receive Christ's healing touch to make you whole. May Christ bring you wholeness of body, mind and spirit, deliver you from every evil, and give you his peace.'

News, Views and Information

St Mark's were pleased recently to receive a grant for two new computers for the church office.

NCH On behalf of NCH I would like to say a very big thank you to everyone at Putnoe Heights Church who gave so generously on NCH Sunday when the magnificent sum of £203. 64 was raised for this very worthy cause.
Grace Foster NCH Co-ordinator

“What Shall We Do Now” Workshops at Priory Methodist Church on Saturday 11 September. To book phone Eleanor Mackirdy Tel 360271. See poster and flyers in church foyer for more details

StoryBox. We were particularly pleased to read a report on StoryBox. You may read it, published in this month's Diocesan magazine See Round.

A letter from friends

The last box has been unpacked so it seemed a good time to write to Partnership News. George and I have settled very happily in Chipping Sodbury. Our little house has given up most of its secrets that were not noticed on our initial viewing and we are now feeling that it really is our home. It is a pleasure to shop at the butchers, bakers and the green grocers in this lovely medieval town. George is loosing fewer balls in the lakes at his new golf course and I have joined the local flower arranging society which every month has a practical class for its members as well as demonstrations. We now go to the Anglican Church in Chipping Sodbury and have been made to feel very welcome but we do miss walking into church and seeing the familiar faces of our friends at Putnoe. For the first time since we have had grandchildren we now see them frequently which gives us all such a lot of pleasure. We send you our love and very best wishes. We do hope that if you are ever near us that you will give us a call and come and see us. George and Helena.

We are extremely grateful when donations are made for the flowers. This may be as a celebration of a happy occasion such as an anniversary or in memory of someone who has died. Contact Miss Marion Prior 303254 (St. Mark's) or Miss Jennie Cooper 404950 (Putnoe Heights).

Spurgeon's Could you spare a few hours once a fortnight to befriend a young person living in foster or residential care ? Training given and out of pocket expenses paid. For more details Tel.01234 330866 or email ivpworker@spurgeonsbedford.org.uk

St Mark's Car Boot Sale on Monday 30th August. Last for this year. If you have any bric-a-brac, toys, books etc for the Church Stall they will be gratefully received. Tray bakes for refreshments will be gratefully received.

Putnoe Ramblers Summer Party Saturday 21 August at 7.30pm at 30 The Ridgeway. All ramblers past & present welcome, Please bring a dish & a bottle. Sue 407264

Putnoe Ramblers The next walk is on Sunday 22 August. Meet at Tempsford Church (opposite The Wheatsheaf) at 2.30pm for a 4 mile circular walk, followed by an optional picnic, weather permitting, at Roxton Locks. Boots or sturdy footwear advisable. For more information contact Ruth & Alan, 213951

Coffee Morning Saturday 21 August 10—12 in aid of Mission Funds, at the home of Pam & Bob Burn , 62 Church Lane . All welcome.

Working Party at Putnoe Heights to clear bushes to left front of car park on Saturday 21 August from 9am until 1pm. Please come along with saws, loppers, etc. Many hands make light work! For details ring Alan Cooper 365302.

Junior Church Outing—Whilst there is no Junior Church during August we will be holding our annual afternoon out, this year to Wicksteed Park. The trip will take place straight after Family Service on 5th September 2004. For further information watch this space or contact Sam Ware at Putnoe Heights or 313181.

Offertory Envelopes at Putnoe Heights Church will be ready for collection in the welcome area in the week beginning 5Sept.If you are would to be a member of the scheme please see John Hitt after morning worship or ring him on 404186.

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We publish the banns of marriage and pray for the marriage of

Peter David Litchfield bachelor of this parish and Philippa Catherine Anne Sedding spinster of St Peter's Church Thurleigh

Carl Fuller of this parish and Nicola Dawn Jeffries of the parish of Rushden but on the electoral role of All Saints Great Barford These are for the third time of asking

Jane Fry spinster of this parish and David Zita bachelor of All Saints Houghton Conquest. This is for the second time of asking.

Rest In Peace

On the Sunday following a funeral service we remember in church those who have died. We light a candle to symbolise the light of Christ which eternally shines and brings hope. If you would like a person remembered in our service when the candle is lit, perhaps on an anniversary or birthday, please inform the ministers, or telephone the church office.

Jason Bradley

May the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.'

The following funerals have been arranged

The funeral of **Mrs Yvonne (Bunty) Williams** will take place at Bedford Crematorium on Friday 20 August at 10.45am

The funeral of **Mr Edward William Garner** will take place at Bedford Crematorium on Thursday 19 August at 10.45am

The funeral of **Mrs Mary Elizabeth Mitchell** will take place at Putnoe Heights Church at 2.30pm on Thursday 19 August 2004

The funeral of **Lorna Mary Dilley** will take place at Bedford Crematorium on Wednesday 18th August

The funeral of **Trevor George Woodruff** will take place at Bedford Crematorium on Wednesday 18 August at 12.15pm