

**Welcome today, 27 August 2017, to our Sunday morning services at St James Biddenham (9am) and All Saints Kempston (10.30am).**

**Countdown to a baptism** - for Scarlett Harris at All Saints next Sun 3 September at 10.30am.

Reminder to **“Bike ’n Hike”** for the Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust on Sat 9 September from 10am-6pm. See <http://www.b-n-h.co.uk/imagery-publicity/bnh-poster-2017.pdf> or speak to Michael Hurford.

**Biddenham Show** - Sun 10 September: reminder to please sign up for the Cake Stall and the Human Fruit Machine.

**David & Suzette Maguire’s work under the Bishop's Mission Order (BMO):** reminder that the AGM and Trustees meeting for the BMO is Mon 11 September at 7.30pm in the St James Barn.

Reminder that the **Songs of Praise Service** is on Sun 17 September at 4pm at St James, hosted by David & Suzette. They are keen to include hymns/worship songs with stories attached, so please sign up on the sheet at the back of St James and get your songs+narratives to [manorsuzette@btinternet.com](mailto:manorsuzette@btinternet.com) by 3 September.

**All Saints Lunch Club** - Wed 20 September 12.30 pm at The King William. For details & to ensure a booking, contact Anita Lowe (857212).

Reminder that Suzette will be running the **Sheffield 10K** on Sun 24 September on behalf of the Lymphoma Association. If you would like to sponsor her, you can at [www.justgiving.com/](http://www.justgiving.com/)

[suzette-maguire2](#) or sign the sponsorship forms coming soon to both churches.

**Our first Messy Church**, to encourage faith in local families, will provisionally be held on Thurs 5 October at 4pm at St James School. Helpers are needed to support this important work. A planning meeting will be held soon.

Bowls suitable for planting up with Spring bulbs are **requested for the Christmas bazaar**. There is a box at the back of St James or contact Sue Squire (342373).

The **recent Art Exhibition in the St James barn** raised £350. Many thanks to all involved.

Reminder that the **Bedford food bank is short of pretty much all their standard foods**. As a reminder, they only distribute non-perishable items, and they preferentially request items as listed on their website <https://bedford.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/> Monetary donations are also welcome.

**Our prayers this week** - including Jane Nash, Janet Smith.

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