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This Week Newsletter

Morning Prayer 8:45am Monday – Friday

Monday		
Tuesday	8pm	Alpha 4 Home Group, 21 Marlborough Close
Wednesday	10:45am	Holy Communion Tiny Tots Mothers' Union meeting, WCC CH
Thursday	9:45am 10:30am	Church Home Group, WCC CH Paint with God Day, Albury
Friday	9am 2pm 6:20pm 7:30pm	St Michael's Mums Prayer & Fellowship, WCC CH Thanksgiving Service for June McCarthy Junior Choir rehearsal Choir rehearsal
Saturday	9:30am 9:30am-1pm 10am 10am- 4:15pm 10am-6pm	Prayers for our community Peal Attempt Wardens' meeting, WCC CH St Michael's Quiet Day, Albury Bike 'n Hike
Next Sunday	8am 10am 6pm	Holy Communion, Lady Chapel Parish Communion Choral Evensong

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Sunday 8th September 2019 **Twelfth Sunday after Trinity**

8am • Holy Communion, Lady Chapel 8:50am • Parish Breakfast 10am • Parish Communion 12:30pm • Holy Baptism 5pm • Bridge Youth Church, Holy Trinity 6pm • Evensong

Prayer Ministry. There is an opportunity for personal prayer; for giving thanks, for healing or for other matters at the end of the 10am service. Please go to the Lady Chapel where two members of the church will be available to pray with you. Remember that if you are ill in hospital or at home and you would like a member of the ministry team to visit you please contact the Parish Office.

Large Print Versions of this newsletter, the Sunday readings, the service and the hymn book are available from the Welcome Desk.

We welcome all visitors to our services today. Please make yourself known to the clergy and those at the Welcome Desk. Tea and fresh coffee is served in the Windhill Churches Centre after the 10am service to provide visitors and regular members of the congregation with an opportunity to get to know each other better. Leaflets are available in the Publicity Area providing information about many aspects of church life.

School Signing-in Book - Please sign the register at the Welcome Desk if looking to apply for school admissions under church attendance categories.

Gift Aid is vital to the funding of St Michael's Church. If you are a taxpayer, please place your offering in a completed Gift Aid envelope and place it in the Collection. Many thanks. Charity Registration Number 1130646 Please turn off and do not use your mobile phones and other electronic devices during our services. Thank you very much.

Notices



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Today:

Please join us for Parish Breakfast from 8:50am in the Windhill Churches Centre. We will be serving coffee and tea, bacon sandwiches and pastries. All are welcome, whether you've signed up or not. No charge for breakfast but donations will be invited.

The Choir anthem at our 10am service is 'O for a closer walk with God' (Stanford).

At 12:30pm we celebrate the Baptism of Isabella Bazell.

Bridge Youth Church is at Holy Trinity at 5pm this evening. Come along to share in family friendly worship; then fun, food and fellowship afterwards.

Parking in the Churchyard – Please be aware that the churchyard is needed intermittently for workmen attending to repairs, so parking is not always available.

Mums of St Michael's Prayer & Fellowship Group, WCC – Being a mum can be tough. Trade anxiety for hope, joy and peace in a friendly, prayerful environment. Next meeting this **Friday 13th September**. Coffee at 9am; 9:15 start.

Bike 'n Hike, Saturday 14th September – The annual Bike 'n Hike offers the opportunity to raise money both for our church and for the Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust. Of every £1 that we raise in sponsorship, 50p is returned to us. This makes the Bike 'n Hike a very effective way to raise funds for our church. Taking part involves being sponsored for cycling/walking to visit other churches. We also need "welcomers" between 10am-6pm and welcomers can also be sponsored.

St Michael's Quiet Day, 'Praying with your senses', 14th September, Albury – Workshops with different styles of prayer, corporate worship, and space to enjoy your own contemplation. The timetable and sign-up sheet are in the Publicity Area.

Youth Ministry in the Deanery – Anyone who is interested in youth ministry within our area is encouraged to attend the next Bishop's Stortford Deanery Synod meeting, (Tuesday 17th September at 8pm, St James the Great, Thorley) which will be focusing on this important subject.

Defibrillator training, Friday 20th September – We have a few extra spaces for this course (10am-12noon). If interested, please contact <u>bill.macdonald@hotmail.co.uk</u>

Anointing and laying on of hands – At the 10am service on Wednesday 18th September and at the 10am Parish Communion service on Sunday 20th October we will offer anointing and laying on of hands for healing.

Heritage Open Day, Saturday 21st September – The Church and Belltower will be open to visitors from 10am to 4pm. If you'd like to join one of the free 30 minute belltower tours between 2-4pm, please book on 01279 710200.

Helpers required – Please would you consider providing a welcome for an hour on that day? Refreshments will be set out at the back of Church plus appropriate literature. There a sheet in the Publicity Area for people to sign, so that we spread the load. Please do consider helping. Many thanks, Rosemary, Churchwarden.

The Friends' Outing, St Edmundsbury Cathedral, Saturday 21st September – Sign up in the Publicity Area in church or contact Rob (<u>robertklincke@gmail.com</u> / 833523).

Winter Night Shelter Open Day, Saturday 28th September, Holy Trinity – An informal day from 11am-4pm to promote the work of the shelter. "We would very much like to see you there, for others to appreciate your kind support to the Shelter."

Patronal Festival, 29th September – Services for St Michael's and All Angels will be 8am Holy Communion, 10am Parish Communion with the Choir, followed by refreshments and cake. At 6pm we will hold a special Songs of Praise service including popular hymns chosen by members of the congregation. All welcome.

Harvest – We will celebrate harvest at 8am, 10am and 11:15am services on Sunday 6th October. There will be a Red Bucket for the Bishop's Appeal, *Light up Tanzania:* bringing solar electricity to the poor and isolated rural communities of the Singida region. Food gifts for Harlow Foodbank.

The Social Committee invite you to a **Harvest Lunch in the WCC at 12:45pm.** (Cottage Pie and Dessert £5) Please sign the list at the back of church noting any dietary requirements. We ask you to bring your own drinks and glasses and we look forward to seeing you! Pam J-C 504012 or Sarah White 654031

Confirmation Service at All Saints, 7:30pm, Wednesday 23rd October – A number of adults and young people have had conversations with me recently, about maybe exploring the Christian Faith more deeply and possibly preparing for Confirmation. May I invite you to think and pray about whether you, or your young person, may possibly like to be involved in preparation sessions. If you'd like more information, please speak to me. Thank you, Derwyn.

Employing a Families Minister – We emailed church members recently, to update you on this exciting project and to see what support there might be for specific giving towards the employment of a Families Minister. Thank you to those who have indicated interest! This information will be really helpful - as it will affect the salary and hours we are able to fund. Update: saintmichaelweb.org.uk/Articles/542984/Education_Group.aspx

Church Membership - We are trying to keep up-to-date details of all members of St Michael's on our Church management system. If you've completed a data collection form in the last 12 months, then your details are on the system already. If you joined St Michael's more recently and have not completed a form, please complete one today, so that we have up-to-date details for you. Forms are available in the Publicity Area and completed forms should be placed in the black box. Any questions, please speak to Roger Sudbury or email him at <u>roger.sudbury@gmail.com</u>

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