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8am Holy Communion 10am Parish Communion 12:30pm Holy Baptism

Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the WCC after the 10am service.

Collect for Trinity Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Psalm for today, Psalm 8

Refrain: O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world! Your majesty above the heavens is praised

out of the mouths of babes at the breast.

You have founded a stronghold against your foes,

that you might still the enemy and the avenger.

All: O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world! When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars that you have ordained,

What is man, that you should be mindful of him;

the son of man, that you should seek him out?

You have made him little lower than the angels

and crown him with glory and honour.

All: *O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world!* You have given him dominion over the works of your hands and put all things under his feet,

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All sheep and oxen,

even the wild beasts of the field,

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea

and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.

All: O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world!

Gospel for Trinity Sunday, John 16. 12-15

Jesus said to his disciples: "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to vou.



St Etheldreda's, Ely Place, London Charles Blakeman, 1953 (Lawrence OP, flickr)

Come and share our short session for children and young people during our Sunday 10am service EVERY WEEK!

We invite children of all ages, with their adults, to come into the Lady Chapel during part of the service, and share in A Godly Play (a short visual storytelling of scriptures, with wondering questions, stories, crafts, puzzles, and even some acting for those that want ... for all ages to share together; then various age related activities). We're delighted to say that in this last ten months we've grown enough to enable a fortnightly breakout session for older children/young people too: during the sermon on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, also in the Lady Chapel. There will be a display in the Lady Chapel most weeks, if you'd like to find out more!

You might also like to explore the links on our <u>Children & Young People</u> page. There are loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus.

Sunday 12th June 2022 Trinity Sunday





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The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon. An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.

Parish Office – The Parish Office is closed for the duration of the bell restoration works. Katharine is working from home and may be readily contacted by email, or chat to her after the Wednesday Holy Communion service.

Holy Communion, Wednesday 15th June, 10am – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Due to the bells' restoration, refreshments after the service will be held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 15th June, 11 for 11:15am in the WCC – Worship for babies/toddlers and their parents / carers; with a story, singing and instruments for little ones too! Join us for refreshments, fellowship and a little chance for the children to play before/after the service.

Bishop's Stortford Hospitality Support, Wednesdays from 11:30am-2pm – St Michael's is providing space at the WCC for Ukranian guests and their host families to meet together, along with some informal language lessons, once a week. We need to provide some volunteers to be on hand during this time, hopefully for a two-hour slot each. We've enjoyed some great, and busy, sessions, offering a very light lunch, but we will have no idea how many people will turn up each week or for how long they will want to stay. This is an evolving situation, depending on what amount of support hosts and their guests would like, and I hope, as St Michael's rep on the BS Hospitality Support Group, there are other volunteers who will come along. Please let me know if you are willing to help with these support sessions. Jenny Klincke (833523 / jennyklincke@gmail.com)

Prayers for our Community in Church, Saturday 18th June, 9:30am – All welcome.

Auction of Bell Fittings from St Michael's Bells, Friday 24th June – Viewing from 1pm and auction at 8pm in the Windhill Churches Centre. Auction lots to include Clappers, Wheels, Stays, Sliders, Ropes, Pulleys, Ladders and Running Boards. Ideal for wall / house / garden decorations / craft projects. Do come along and have a look!

Funeral of Sybil Smith, Monday 27th June, 11:30am – Sybil's family would like to extend an invitation to Sybil's church friends to attend her funeral and refreshments afterwards at The Shearers. Wearing black clothes is not essential. The service will be broadcast by Zoom (Meeting ID: 846 662 9590, Passcode: 834900).

Friends of St Michael's, Saturday 2nd July – Family Fun Day, then concert at 7 for 7:30pm: 'The World of Gilbert & Sullivan', performed by The Wandering Minstrels. £17 including finger buffet (£19 on the door). Tickets via TicketTailor <u>here</u> or contact Rob Klincke. Rob is also requesting good quality bric-a-brac for one of the stalls at the fun day: please bring donations along and leave them at the back of the church, on the green carpet. Thank you.

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TLC Tuesday 5th July, 2:15pm for 2:30pm, WCC – An opportunity to be able to join in with tea and talk, read the paper, play board games ... and then later in the afternoon we welcome families after school for a short while, to share in reading/play and enjoy a biscuit/cake/fruit snack. Do come along ... and tell your friends too! We'll begin with a short time of prayer just after 2:15pm before our session at 2:30pm, until about 4:30pm. This coming month, we're having a summer holiday theme!

We're still preparing for this year's Holiday Bible Week, 1st-5th August – It's going to be a wonderful year! If all this is new to you: it's a hugely successful week-long festival of learning about the Bible with fun, crafts and games for children, put together by the churches of Bishop's Stortford. We do need more volunteers – we encourage you, with all your various gifts, to volunteer for all or part of the week! (We need adults especially and have room for young people too!) Sign up is staying open, please visit the <u>HBW website</u>. The launch night is Thursday 16th June at 8pm: come and hear the wonderful theme tune!!

Flower Festival – Jenny and Claire would like to thank everyone that was involved in the flower festival including sponsors and all volunteers, flower arrangers, stewards, all who did refreshments, those providing music and the bells exhibit, and everyone that helped with the clear up. It was wonderful that so many pulled together. We have managed to raise approximately £2400 towards the Bells Restoration Appeal.

Tablecloths – If you are one of the kind people who took away tablecloths and tea towels from the WCC to wash, please could you return them asap as we are running very short from the large number we had in the drawer. Many thanks!

 More details of all services and events are available on the Calendar page on our website.

 Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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