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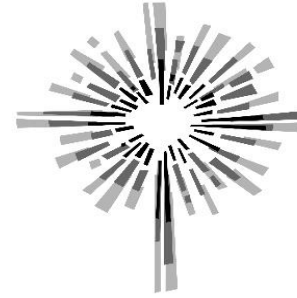
Vacancy: The heads of committees are continuing to collate different elements of the parish profile which will be presented on the Day of Prayer and Discernment on **Saturday 23rd July** – please bring a packed lunch. We will leave St Michael's at 11.00 a.m. and walk to St Mary's where John Bannister will lead us in prayer, to be followed by discussion, including the person specification for our new Vicar. We will finish at 3.00pm, returning to St Michael's or home. Please join us from St Michael's, or at St Mary's.

St Luke's Church, St Albans, AL1 5QJ is holding an event on **12th July at 7.00pm** called ***A Christian Response to the Climate Crisis***. This event will explore the current climate science and consider how can we bring about the scale of social and economic change that is needed to be made. Anyone interested in this event can find more information and book by visiting <https://bit.ly/3bnueLO>

Cancer Research UK Race for Life will take place in Verulamium Park on **Sunday, 17th July, starting at 10.00 a.m.** We have been informed that no-one in the race is allowed to use the adjacent car park. If you are stopped by a steward, please tell them that you are attending church and not part of the race and they will let you park. If you have any issues, please let us know.

Lime plastering in St Michael's – Update. The expert plasterers are hard at work in the church during the week and this will continue to cause disruption and restrict access to some parts of the church throughout the summer. It is a natural process and has no fixed timescale, so please be patient while the works proceed and take care around the building; we are determined to keep the church open.

We'd love to stay in touch: if you would like our monthly magazine and highlights email, please email admin.stmichaels@btconnect.com If you have signed up but have not received emails recently, please check that your spam filters are not blocking admin.stmichaels@btconnect.com



St Michael with St Mary

Services this week

Sunday, 10th July 2022: Fourth Sunday of Trinity

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (St Michael's)
- 9.30 a.m. All-Age Communion (St Michael's)
President: Patrick Moriarty
- 6.00 p.m. Evensong (St Mary's)

Wednesday

- 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion (St Michael's)

Sunday, 17th July 2022: Fifth Sunday of Trinity

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (St Michael's)
- 9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (St Michael's)
President: The Ven Jonathan Smith
- 6.00 p.m. Evensong (St Mary's)

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office is CLOSED on Wednesdays

Contacts

Key information is available on www.stmichaels-parishchurch.org.uk or via the Parish Office: 01727 835037 (9.00 a.m.–12.00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday)

Children's Church for those in school years Reception to Year 6 meets alongside the 9.30am service during term time. Please ask a Steward for more information and directions.

The **children's corner** in the North Aisle contains themed-worksheets, books and toys. Parents: please remain responsible for your children in this space. If your child needs time-out or privacy (e.g. nappy change) the Tower Room is available and has sound relay of the service.

Toilets are available in the Parish Centre at the east end of the churchyard; please see a steward for access.

Please stay for **refreshments** after the service in the Parish Centre.

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 30: 9-14 (OT p175 in the Pew Bibles)

New Testament Reading: Colossians 1: 1-14 (NT p.185 in the Pew Bibles)

Gospel Reading: Luke 10: 25-37 (NT p.66 in the Pew Bibles)

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

During Communion the choir will sing

God is love, and where true love is, God himself is there.

Here in Christ we gather, love of Christ our calling.
Christ our love is with us, gladness be his greeting.
Let us all revere, and love him, God eternal.
Loving him let each love, Christ in all his brothers. God is love...

When we Christians gather, members of one body.
Let there be in us no discord, but one spirit.
Banished now be anger, strife and every quarrel.
Christ our God be present always here among us. God is love...

Grant us love's fulfilment, joy with all the blessed.
When we see your face, O Saviour, in its glory
Shine on us, O purest light of all creation.
Be our bliss while endless ages sing your praises. God is love...

Please remember in your prayers

- those who are **ill**, including: Peter Bell, Jacqui Follett, Jo Frost, Debbie Greenwood, Edna Hames, Michael Hogben, Helen Huson, Rachael Hymas, Ingrid Kluckova, Alice Reardon, Pat Stroud, Cora Marie Varshney, Paul Wiggett