

# NOTICES

The ever-popular parish **Animal Service** will take place at **St Mary's on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> September at 3.00 p.m.** and will be held outside St Mary's Childwick, AL3 6JJ. A simple half-hour service to thank God for creation and to pray for animal welfare. If you have a pet that you would like to be blessed, please bring it with you. If your pet is nervous around people, please bring a photo and we can pray with that instead. Please keep all dogs on leads

**Parish Walk and Lunch:** Many thanks to Kathryn and John Mathews for leading a lovely walk from New Greens to Childwickbury. The picnic in St Mary's Garden was enjoyed by around 30 people including some from other churches in St Albans, and John and Dave played some terrific numbers from the Great American Songbook. Kathryn will lead the next walk along part of the **Nickey Line, meeting in Redbourn at 11.00 a.m. on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September** - more details to follow. All welcome to join us for the walk or for lunch afterwards at the Portland Arms. Please email Sue to let her know you're coming - [suecvaughan@btinternet.com](mailto:suecvaughan@btinternet.com)

**Pub in the Park** will take place over **the weekend of 6<sup>th</sup>– 8<sup>th</sup> September** in Verulamium Park. We are assured that there will be some parking for parishioners attending church on **Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> September** and for groups using the Parish Centre. There are a number of parking vouchers available at the back of St Michael's; please take one and fill in your details so you can get through easily if the car park is being marshalled. When you arrive at the car park make yourselves known to the stewards and let Val or Mark know on [chiesa@btinternet.com](mailto:chiesa@btinternet.com) or [wincheslodge@gmail.com](mailto:wincheslodge@gmail.com) respectively of any problems.



St Michael with St Mary

## Services this Week

**All services take place at St Michael's unless otherwise stated.**

### Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9.30 a.m.	All-Age Parish Eucharist
6.00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist (St Mary's)

### Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> September

9.30 a.m.	St Michael's School Service
10.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
10.30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

### Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> September 2024 Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9.30 a.m.	Parish Eucharist
6.00 p.m.	Evensong (St Mary's)

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Welcome to our worship this morning. This is an all-age service with our annual Bag Blessing to mark the start of a new academic year; it's great to be together!

The children's corner contains themed-worksheets, books and toys if you'd like to keep little people busy, but there is no obligation to use it! If you need 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. All are welcome to stay for refreshments after the service in the Parish Centre. If you are new, we would love to meet you!

### **Collect**

Merciful God,  
your Son came to save us  
and bore our sins on the cross:  
may we trust in your mercy  
and know your love,  
rejoicing in the righteousness  
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Old Testament Reading: Genesis 28: 16-21**

Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. He called that place Bethel; but the name of the city was Luz at the first. Then Jacob made a vow, saying, 'If God will be with me, and will keep me in this way that I go, and will give me bread to eat and clothing to wear, so that I come again to my father's house in peace, then the Lord shall be my God,

### **Gospel Reading: Luke 24: 13-16, 28-31**

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight.

### **Prayer Over the Gifts**

Lord, let this offering to the glory of your name purify us and bring us closer to eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

### **Please remember in your prayers:**

- All who are starting a new job or in a new school
- In the parish: all who live in Jerome Drive, Rowlatt Drive, Windridge Close
- those who are ill, including: Ben Collins, Pam Dickens, Anne Fletcher, Jacqui Follett, Debbie Greenwood, Helen Huson, Rachael Hymas, Ingrid Kluckova, Joanne Laws, Sam Mahoney, John Polhill, Alice Reardon, Cora Marie Varshney
- the recently departed, including Roberto Pagliarulo and Ken Souch and those who mourn them
- this week the diocese asks us to pray for: *Those who choose to have their marriage in Church*

### **Michaelmas 2024**

#### ***"Come and Sing" - the music of Charles Villiers Stanford***

marking the centenary of the death of Stanford, whose church music has inspired generations of choristers in Cathedrals and Parish Churches

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September

Rehearsal, Tea and Evensong

Morning Eucharist and Evensong (at St Mary's Childwickbury)

***Singers of all parts are invited and welcomed to "Come and Sing"***

Please email [music@parishofstmichaels.org.uk](mailto:music@parishofstmichaels.org.uk)  
to register your interest and to receive further details