



# This Week

## Morning Prayer 8:45am Monday – Friday

<b>Monday</b>	10am	Craft Group, WCC CH
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:45pm 8pm	WLTC rehearsals, WCC CH Alpha 4 Home Group, 54 Mazoe Road
<b>Wednesday</b>	10am 10:45am 7:45pm	Holy Communion Tiny Tots Churches Together Forum, WCC CH
<b>Thursday</b>	9:45am 7:45pm	Church Home Group, WCC CH WLTC rehearsals, WCC CH
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>	9:30am 9:30am-1pm	Prayers for our community Peal attempt
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	8am 10am 6pm	Holy Communion, Lady Chapel Parish Communion Evensong
<b>Monday</b>	2pm 7:45pm	Meeting, WCC1 Finance Committee meeting, WCC1
<b>Tuesday</b>	7:45pm	WLTC rehearsals, WCC CH
<b>Wednesday</b>	10am	Holy Communion, with optional imposition of ashes
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	11am	Tiny Tots
<b>Wednesday</b>	8pm	Sung Eucharist, with optional imposition of ashes
<b>Thursday</b>	10:30am 7-10pm 7:45pm	Quiet Day, Albury Food Bank Trustees meeting, WCC1/2 WLTC rehearsals, WCC CH
<b>Friday</b>	6:20pm 7:30pm	Junior Choir rehearsal Choir rehearsal
<b>Saturday</b>	9:30am 10am	Prayers for our community Interviews for Banns and Weddings (by appointment only)
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	8am 10am 11:15am 1pm 5pm	Holy Communion, Lady Chapel Parish Praise with Holy Baptism Sung Eucharist Company on Sunday Lunch, WCC CH Bridge Youth Church, Holy Trinity

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# Newsletter

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2020 Second Sunday before Lent

8am • Holy Communion, Lady Chapel  
10am • Parish Communion  
11:45am • Charities Support Group talk  
from the Winter Night Shelter, WCC CH  
6pm • Choral Evensong

## Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020 Sunday next before Lent

8am • Holy Communion, Lady Chapel  
10am • Parish Communion  
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

*Junior Church is not meeting on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February but we've prepared some fun activity sheets for children to work on, should they wish, during the services. The sheets, plus a box of glues, pencils, scissors and plain paper are available at the back of the church. (Please return the items to the box afterwards!) The Footprints sheet relates to the Gospel reading so we've tucked the Sunday reading sheet in too; do encourage your child to follow the Gospel as it is read! There is still a staffed crèche behind the screen doors. Junior Church will be back on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.*

*At 11:45am on 16<sup>th</sup> February, as part of our series of talks in the WCC after coffee, we are delighted to have Dave Perry chat to us about the Winter Night Shelter at Holy Trinity. There's a chance to ask questions about the shelter after the short talk.*

*The Choir anthem at our 6pm Choral Evensong service on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February is 'The heavens are telling' (Haydn); the words are available from the Sidespeople.*

**Stortford Hurst/Stortford Fields visitors catchup, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** – Please could all those who visit, or are interested in visiting the Stortford North developments, join us for coffee in the WCC after the 10am service. We'd like to catch up with the latest requests for getting together in small teams to knock on doors not previously visited!

**Lent** – begins on **Ash Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> February**. Services at 10am and 8pm include acts of penitence and an opportunity to receive the imposition of ashes. Please feel free to borrow any of the Lent books from the bookshelves at the back of the church and perhaps place a small donation in the offertory box.

**Lent Devotions** – will be in the Lady Chapel from 12:30-1pm on **Tuesdays from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> March**, with the theme 'People of the Passion'. The sessions will be followed by soup lunch at 1pm in the WCC.

**Company on Sunday Lunch, 1<sup>st</sup> March** – Sign up in the Publicity Area or email the Parish Office if you'd like to join us for a two or three course meal. Whether you're alone or just fancy a change for lunch once a month, do bear these occasions in mind.

**Calling all Soup makers for Lent!** I am looking for three more people to make soup for the Lent lunches on Tuesdays in March. Please contact Pam J-C: [jandpjc@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:jandpjc@dsl.pipex.com) or 01279 504012 if you'd like to help. Thank you.

**Parish Brunch, Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 11:15am-12noon, WCC** – Our second brunch, with an enlarged menu! Bacon butties, warm sausage rolls, a choice of different croissants, and fresh coffee, tea and juices! Please sign the sheet in the Publicity Area, if you're coming but don't worry if you forget as everyone is welcome. It's a great opportunity to chat with each other after the 10am service. What better way to end our Sunday morning at Church!

**Café Alpha** – Would you like a little taste of Alpha? It's a course that looks at some of the 'big questions' of life: an introduction to the basics of the Christian faith, via a series of talks and discussions. We're holding a session on the morning of **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March** in the WCC, from 10:30am-12:30pm.

# Notices



**Anointing and laying on of hands** – At the 10am Holy Communion on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April** we will offer anointing and laying on of hands for healing.

**Electoral Roll** – The APCM is on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April** at 11:40am in the WCC. Anyone wishing to vote must be on the Church Electoral Roll (the only information published will be your name and whether you are resident in the parish or not). Please leave completed forms in the north porch post box or return to the Parish Office. Electoral Roll revision begins on 1<sup>st</sup> March. A current copy will be in the Publicity Area, along with application forms, until 29<sup>th</sup> March. We invite you to consider standing for the PCC, Churchwarden or Deanery Synod. See the churchwardens for more information. We invite you to consider standing for PCC, Churchwarden or Deanery Synod, or to be appointed as a Sidesperson.

**Pre-Lambeth Visit.** Archbishop Howard Gregory of the West Indies will be in our Deanery from **14<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> July** inclusive, ahead of the 2020 Lambeth Conference, with his wife Charmine. Plans are being made for a Deanery programme of events, and the Archbishop will also be attending various events during these days. If you may be able to offer some transportation to the Archbishop and Mrs Gregory, to join a team of drivers willing to take them to/from various activities, at mutually convenient times, please contact the Parish Office for further details. Thank you for considering! Derwyn.

**Salisbury Flower Festival** – We are planning a trip from **15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> September**: staying for 2 nights in Salisbury and visiting this spectacular event. Details are in the February magazine and in a folder in the Publicity Area together with a signing up sheet. Please speak to me if you have any queries and do sign up soon as numbers are limited and we need to confirm asap. Rosemary 758389.

**Foodbank appeal** – Please continue your support with basic food supplies (see the notice in the Publicity Area for items requested this winter). Please either bring your food to the Food Bank at the Methodist Church one morning when we are open or pop it into one of our boxes in the local supermarkets. Thank you!

**If you're relatively new to St Michaels** and haven't completed a data form, would you like to do so and keep in touch with our communications via email? Simply complete the appropriate form on the Publicity Area desk and place it in the North Porch letterbox.

**Message for the Sunday 8am congregation** – Now that Thelma Scrivener has retired as Sacristan are there one or two members who are willing to take a turn working with the Assistant Wardens and set up for the 10am service, please? This is a simple task but training will be offered! Many thanks.

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