



# Newsletter and Notices



## 8am Holy Communion, in Church

## 10am Service of the Word, in Church & [Zoom](#)

*We're delighted to offer refreshments to enjoy in (or outside) the WCC after the 10am service.*

You are welcome to share in our worship in the following ways:

### 1. **Come to Church** All are welcome!

Remember to bring your order of service for the 10am service.

### 2. **Join Zoom on your computer**

When signed in you can 'Join a Meeting' (ID: 846 662 9590 / Passcode: 834900).

### 3. **Join with Audio Zoom via phone**

a) Call **0131 460 1196**

b) Enter Meeting ID followed by #, then enter Meeting Passcode followed by #

*You will be muted automatically when you join the 'meeting' (service).*

## Collect for The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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 Trinity 15, Psalm 116. 1-8

### **Refrain: Gracious is the Lord and righteous.**

I love the Lord, for he has heard the voice of my supplication;  
because he inclined his ear to me on the day I called to him.

The snares of death encompassed me; the pains of hell took hold of me;  
by grief and sorrow was I held. **[R]**

Then I called upon the name of the Lord: 'O Lord, I beg you, deliver my soul.'

Gracious is the Lord and righteous; our God is full of compassion. **[R]**

The Lord watches over the simple; I was brought very low and he saved me.

Turn again to your rest, O my soul, for the Lord has been gracious to you. **[R]**

For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from falling.

I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living. **[R]**

*As we walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
may we call upon your name,  
raise the cup of salvation,  
and so proclaim your death, O Lord,  
until you come in glory.*

## Gospel for The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, Mark 8. 27-end

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

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

We invite them, with their adults, to come into the Lady Chapel during the sermon and prayers, and share in a short Godly Play (a visual storytelling of scriptures, with wondering questions for all ages to share together).

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 [Children & Young People](#) page. There's a [printable sheet](#) which offers a prayer/activities that will help young people get to know the person of Jesus. This week's is based on today's Gospel reading.





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**The church is open each day, from early morning to late afternoon.**

*An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.*

**Prayers for our Community in Church, Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September 9:30am** A half hour session of informal prayer. All welcome.

**Parish Office contact and availability** – As well as working from home each weekday from 9am-1pm, Katharine is available in the office on **Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10am to midday.**

**CSG Red Bucket Appeal for Haiti and Afghanistan** – More information about World Vision's work in these countries is via the Charities Support Group page on our website or from the Parish Office. The red bucket will be in church for the last time this Sunday, **12<sup>th</sup> September**. For details on donating by bank transfer rather than cash/cheque (*St Michael's PCC Missions*) speak to the Parish Office.

**Holy Communion, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 10am** – A service of Holy Communion, in church and **via Derwyn's Zoom (ID 846 662 9590, Passcode 834900)**. You can also dial in by phone; instructions on previous page.

**'All new' Tiny Tots, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September, 11 for 11:15am** – We're delighted to be meeting once again after the summer break - offering a new style of worship for babies/toddlers and their parents / carers. We are pleased to be able to offer refreshments before and after the service.

**Please note these forthcoming Sunday 10am services in your diary** – 26<sup>th</sup> September - 'Angel Voices' Songs of Praise for Patronal Festival; 31<sup>st</sup> October - Commemoration All Souls' Service. All welcome! More details coming soon.

**Children's Society Box opening, Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September** – Boxholders, please bring your boxes into church to give to Pat and Alan Matthews on either of these dates...and claim your free coffee from them on that day too! Pat and Alan will return the boxes to you in due course. If any new folks would be interested in having a charity box at home for the next year, please speak to Pat/Alan on the day.

**We are planning a TLC "Club". Would you consider helping?** We have a planning meeting for potential helpers on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm in the WCC**. It may begin with a monthly event (from 2-4:30pm), perhaps becoming a weekly get together for anyone who wishes to attend. The idea is for members of our community to be able to join in with tea and talk and perhaps opportunities such as making greetings cards, small flower arrangements, board games ... and then we hope that later each afternoon we could welcome families after school for a short while, to share in reading/play.

**Harvest, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** – We'll celebrate harvest at 8am and 10am services. There will be a Red Bucket for the Bishop's Appeal, *Water is Life*: bringing clean, safe water to communities in the Democratic Republic of Congo. We are also requesting food gifts for Bishop's Stortford Food Bank.

**An opportunity to sing with other local church choirs at a Festival Evensong** – East Herts Church Choirs Association have their next Festival Evensong (with rehearsal in the afternoon) at Hatfield Broad Oak on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October, with preparatory rehearsal on the morning of Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October here at St Michael's. Contact the Parish Office for more details.

**Would you like to sing with our Choir?** A number of people have expressed an interest in singing with the Choir more regularly, especially after the 'singing in the churchyard' sessions. If this might be for you, please do contact the Parish Office to find out more.

**St Michael's School has forthcoming Governor vacancies** – We invite anyone who may be interested in service as a Foundation Governor (representing St Michael's Church) to come forward. No experience necessary and full training/support will be given for this most rewarding role. For more information speak to the Vicar or Katharine Stanley.

**We are advertising for a Families Minister!** – We hope to be interviewing candidates towards the end of September. Are you the person to encourage, coordinate, develop and expand ministry among children, young people and their families at our church? More detailed information about the role is on the website or via the Parish Office. **The deadline for applications is 14<sup>th</sup> September.**

**Come join our St. Michaels' School Family** – We currently still have spaces in both Reception and Nursery for the academic year 2021-22. We are now offering all day provision in Nursery. Do look at our [school website](#) and follow the link for the virtual tour to find out more about our thriving school and our 'Outstanding' (OFSTED 2019) EYFS.

**Would you like a church kneeler? Perhaps for gardening use?** If you'd like one, perhaps in return for a small donation, please speak to Rosemary.

**Would you like to receive news and information from St Michael's electronically?** May we invite new or newer worshippers to think about completing a Welcome Card, and submitting your email on it if you wish.

**Zoom prayer with June on Mondays** – A support chat and prayer room each week. If you're interested in joining, do call the Parish Office for more details.

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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