



8am Holy Communion, in Church

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

Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in 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 then #, then enter Meeting Passcode then #

Collect for The Seventh Sunday of Easter

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, 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 97

Refrain: You, Lord, are most high over all the earth.

The Lord is king: let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of the isles be glad.

Clouds and darkness are round about him;

righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

Fire goes before him and burns up his enemies on every side. **[R]**

His lightnings lit up the world; the earth saw it and trembled.

The mountains melted like wax at the presence of the Lord,

at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.

The heavens declared his righteousness, and all the peoples have seen his glory. **[R]**

Confounded be all who worship carved images and delight in mere idols.

Bow down before him, all you gods.

Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoiced,

because of your judgements, O Lord.

For you, Lord, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods. **[R]**

The Lord loves those who hate evil;

he preserves the lives of his faithful and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

Light has sprung up for the righteous and joy for the true of heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name. **[R]**

Most high and holy God, enthroned in fire and light, burn away the dross of our lives and kindle in us the fire of your love, that our lives may reveal the light and life we find in your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Gospel for The Seventh Sunday of Easter, John 17.20-26

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'



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 [Children & Young People](#) page. There are loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus this Easter season.

GIVING SEASON RESPONSES

Giving information is now available from our [website home page](#)

Thank you for responses received so far during our Lent Giving Season. Further responses, for Time and Talents and/or Financial Giving, can be placed in the wooden post box in the corner of the North Porch, or handed to a Warden. Thank you very much for considering your response to our appeal this year. Derwyn.



Newsletter and Notices



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

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

Our APCM is in the WCC this Sunday 29th May after the 10am Service of the Word – All the APCM documentation is published on the website from the [PCC page](#). There are some questions at the end of the Vicar's report which we are invited to consider ahead of the APCM, where there will be an opportunity to share our reflections on them. **Please email our Treasurer Graziana Maddalozzo (stmichaelsbtreasurer@gmail.com) with any queries you have about the finance papers in advance of the APCM. Thank you.**

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 1st 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 1st 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 refugees 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 some great 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 I can ask to 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 4th June, 9:30am – All welcome.

TLC Tuesday 7th June, 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 planning a Jubilee themed tea party to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee!

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 [here](#) or contact Rob Klincke.

Flower Festival for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, 2nd-5th June

Save the weekend!

- If you are able to help during the week of the flower festival – please sign up in church.
- **Thanks for some excellent offers of hymns to sing at the Festival Songs of Praise at 4:30pm on Saturday 4th June. Do come along to join in the praise if you can. Thank you, Derwyn.**
- There's a lovely write up on our website [here](#) about the recent visit to Salisbury Flower Festival by some of our church family... it will whet your appetite for our own!

Coronation Memories – Our MP Julie Marson is seeking to gather constituents' memories of Her Majesty's Coronation in 1953. If you have a story you'd like to write down and share, please pass it to Julie via Katharine Stanley. Thank you.



In aid of the Bell Restoration Fund
St Michael's Church presents
"Through the Decades" Flower Festival
To celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth II and to remember and commemorate some of the events during her reign
2nd - 5th June 2022
10am - 4pm

- Entry £2 per adult, children free
- Midday musical performances
- Raffle
- Refreshments served in the Windhill Churches Centre
- Exhibition, 'The History of the Bells'
- Jubilee Songs of Praise Service, Saturday 4th June 4:30pm

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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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