



Newsletter and Notices

**8am Holy Communion
10am Parish Communion
12:30pm Holy Baptism**

Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the WCC after the 10am service.

Collect for The Second Sunday after Trinity

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake, 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 16

Refrain: The Lord is at my right hand; I shall not fall.

Preserve me, O God, for in you have I taken refuge;
I have said to the Lord, 'You are my lord, all my good depends on you.'
All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,
upon those who are noble in heart.
Though the idols are legion that many run after,
their drink offerings of blood I will not offer,
neither make mention of their names upon my lips.

The Lord himself is my portion and my cup; in your hands alone is my fortune.
My share has fallen in a fair land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage. **[R]**

I will bless the Lord who has given me counsel,
and in the night watches he instructs my heart.

I have set the Lord always before me; he is at my right hand; I shall not fall.

Wherefore my heart is glad and my spirit rejoices;
my flesh also shall rest secure.

For you will not abandon my soul to Death,
nor suffer your faithful one to see the Pit.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence is the fullness of joy
and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. **[R]**

*Give to us, Lord Christ, the fullness of grace,
your presence and your very self,
for you are our portion and our delight, now and for ever. Amen.*

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Gospel for The Second Sunday after Trinity, Luke 9. 51-62

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set towards Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, 'Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?' But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' And Jesus said to him, 'Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' To another he said, 'Follow me.' But he said, 'Lord, first let me go and bury my father.' But Jesus said to him, 'Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home.' Jesus said to him, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

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.

An anthem for today, Let all the World, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Let all the world, in every corner, sing: My God and King!
The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly,
The earth is not too low, His praises there may grow,
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and king!
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and king!
The church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out;
But, above all, the heart must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and king!



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The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon.
An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.

Funeral of Sybil Smith, Monday 27th June, 11:30am – Sybil's family would like to extend an invitation to Sybil's church friends to attend her funeral and refreshments afterwards at The Shearers. Wearing black clothes is not essential. The service will be broadcast by Zoom (Meeting ID: 846 662 9590, Passcode: 834900).

Holy Communion, Wednesday 29th June, 10am – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Due to the bells' work, refreshments after the service will be held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 29th 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 Ukrainian guests 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 enjoyed some great, and busy, 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 will 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 2nd July, 9:30am – All welcome.

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. Rob is also requesting good quality bric-a-brac for one of the stalls at the fun day: please bring donations along and leave them at the back of the church, on the green carpet. Thank you.

TLC Tuesday 5th July, 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 having a summer holiday theme!

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8am services will be fortnightly over the summer holidays – There will be NO 8am service on 31st July, 14th or 28th August. There will be **Holy Communion available at 10am on 14th and 28th August**. Weekly 8am Holy Communion services resume on 4th September and continue onwards.

We're still preparing for this year's Holiday Bible Week, 1st-5th August – It's going to be a wonderful year! If all this is new to you: it's a hugely successful week-long festival of learning about the Bible with fun, crafts and games for children, put together by the churches of Bishop's Stortford. We do need more volunteers – we encourage you, with all your various gifts, to volunteer for all or part of the week! (We need adults especially and have room for young people too!) Sign up is staying open, please visit the [HBW website](#).

Tablecloths – If you are one of the kind people who took away tablecloths and tea towels from the WCC to wash, please could you return them asap as we are running very short from the large number we had in the drawer. Many thanks!

Thank you – to everyone who supported the recent Christian Aid appeal, by your prayers and also by your generous donations either online or in church. The Red Bucket collection raised £215.00 plus gift aid. Many thanks to all.

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.

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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The poster features the logo for 'Friends of St Michael's Preserving Our Grade 1 Listed Heritage'. It includes the text 'proudly present', 'The World of Gilbert & Sullivan', 'performed by THE WANDERING MINSTRELS', 'Patron Lady Isabella Naylor-Leyland', 'One of the UK's foremost G&S performing groups', 'Saturday, 2nd July 2022, 7:00 for 7:30 pm', 'St Michael's Church Bishop's Stortford to include finger buffet.', 'Licensed Bar—Raffle', 'Tickets £17 In advance by debit or credit card. Phone 07818 635222', 'https://buylickets.at/thefriends-of-stmichaelschurch', 'Tickets available at the door £19', and illustrations of two men in top hats.