



8am Holy Communion for All Souls, in Church

10am Commemoration All Souls' Service, 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: 927 480 8728 / Passcode: 889123).

3. Join with Audio Zoom via phone

a) Call **0131 460 1196** b) Enter Meeting ID then #, then enter Meeting Passcode then #

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Collect for All Souls' Day

Eternal God, our maker and redeemer, grant us, with all the faithful departed, the sure benefits of your Son's saving passion and glorious resurrection that, in the last day, when you gather up all things in Christ, we may with them enjoy the fullness of your promises; 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 today, Psalm 27

Refrain: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?
The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes,
came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell.
Though a host encamp against me, my heart shall not be afraid,
and though there rise up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.
One thing have I asked of the Lord and that alone I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. **[R]**
To behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to seek his will in his temple.
For in the day of trouble he shall hide me in his shelter;
in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me and set me high upon a rock.
And now shall he lift up my head above my enemies round about me;
Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness;
I will sing and make music to the Lord. **[R]**

God, our light and our salvation, illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and, looking on your beauty, may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Gospel reading for today, John 6. 37-40

Jesus said: Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day.'

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

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 also have an older group breakout session on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. **Today, we're concluding our series on Moses: learning about crossing the Red Sea and how God keeps his people safe (Exodus 14. 1 – 31).**

Our [Children & Young People](#) website page has loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus.

We are delighted to announce the recommencement of our young person's choir – If your child is 7 or over and interested in joining, please contact Nathan Collins (stmichaelsbdsdom@gmail.com) We will also be starting choral and organ scholarships for our young people and welcome the support of those who would like to help contribute to these.



Last week the younger children made and shared a pretend meal as they learned about preparing a meal to remember at Passover and packing bags to travel (Exodus 11. 1 – 12. 30), while the older children considered Moses and the ten commandments, particularly how they apply to modern life, with a focus on the Israel-Gaza situation.

Parish Register for October

We remember in our prayers the families of Hilda Hammerton and Florence Wakefield, whose funerals took place in October.
We welcome Bobby Langston into the fellowship of faith following his Baptism last month.
We celebrate the marriage of Max Baulcomb and Mireille Els.



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

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

Commemoration All Souls' Service, 10am, this Sunday 5th November – All are welcome to this reflective service, with readings, choral music, prayers and lighting of candles. If you would like loved ones to be remembered by name, enter their names **CLEARLY IN CAPITALS** in the book by the Lady Chapel entrance and please come to the service if you can. (It will be transmitted by Zoom also).

TLC Tuesday 7th November, 2:15pm for 2:30pm, WCC – An opportunity to join in with tea and talk and a regular 10/15 minute presentation on wide ranging interests. 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! This month our speaker is Tim Weeks.

Confirmation at St Michael's, Tuesday 7th November at 7:30pm – Please pray for the candidates and, if you're able, you'd be very welcome to come and support them at the service.

Holy Communion, Wednesday 8th November, 10am – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Refreshments after the service will be held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 8th November, 11 for 11:15am Worship for babies/toddlers and their grown-ups; with a story, singing and instruments for little ones too! Join us for refreshments, fellowship and a chance for the children to play beforehand in the WCC, if you can. **We gather in the WCC and walk across to the Lady Chapel for worship.**

Prayers for our Community, Saturday 11th November, 9:30-10am – All welcome.

Remembrance Sunday, 12th November – During the 10am Parish Communion service we will be gathering round the War Memorial in the churchyard for our Remembrance Ceremonies. Our Godly Play session will include Remembrance crafts to be placed at the foot of the memorial.

St Michael's Recital, Sunday 26th November, 3pm – Pavlos and his wife, Marily are excellent musicians and will guide you through a beautiful selection of music by an eclectic mix of composers. You will also get to hear a little of Nathan's tunefulness along the way. As usual, refreshments will be served at the end, so please consider staying for a chat over tea and cake. Entrance and refreshments are free of charge with a retiring collection for those who are able to and would like to make a donation.



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.

Holly ring making – We're starting our holly ring making in preparation for the Holly Fair. Mopping up 21st November, Ring making 27th, 28th and 30th November from 9am. There are sign-up sheets on the welcome desk or speak with Peter or Claire.

Holly Fair, Saturday 2nd December – If you can run a stall or help in any other way please give your name to Mireille, Carole, Claire or Val.

Travelling Crib – Once again we are delighted that our travelling crib will be making its way around the parish during Advent; beginning with a blessing at the 10am service on 3rd December. Hosting the figures for a night is a wonderful chance to share with children the anticipation of Christ's birth and fellowship with other families as the crib is passed on ... and a moment of stillness in an otherwise busy Advent. Please chat to Katharine if you'd like to know more about it and to sign up for a night.

The next St Albans Cursillo Weekend will be from 16th - 18th February 2024, at Pleshey. Cursillo is a movement within the Anglican church which provides a framework for Christians to grow in their faith through prayer, study and action and assists them to share their faith with others. Many members of St Michael's find this helpful, and If you would like to know more, please get in touch with John Emmett (07773 528835).

Explore the [Diocese of St Albans website](#) – to discover a wealth of training and development opportunities for lay people. This can also be accessed through a regular Mission and Ministry Newsletter by registering with their [Resource Centre](#).

We have an opportunity for a Governor at our Church School! Would you be interested or do you know somebody who might be? Please speak to Val Ashwood or Mark Johnson for information (chair@stmichaelsjmi.herts.sch.uk).

Bishop's Stortford Child Contact Centre – The work of the Centre is expanding and they are looking to recruit new volunteers. If interested, please contact the co-ordinator (admin@bsccc.co.uk) or you are very welcome to contact Angela Weeks (831404) for an initial chat.

Greetings Cards for sale – There is a wide range of cards on display in the Charney Hall. Rosemary keeps them topped up regularly and they now include good value Christmas cards (raising funds for the work of the Charities Support Group).

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