



**Alleluia, Christ is risen!!
He is risen indeed, Alleluia!!**

**8am Holy Communion for Easter Day
10am Parish Communion for Easter Day**

with an Easter Egg hunt for children and young people after the service

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

Collect for Easter Day

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. Amen.

A Psalm for today, Psalm 118. 14-21

I will give thanks to you, for you have become my salvation.

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.

Joyful shouts of salvation sound from the tents of the righteous:

'The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds; the right hand of the Lord raises up; the right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds.'

I will give thanks to you, for you have become my salvation.

I shall not die, but live and declare the works of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me sorely, but he has not given me over to death.

I will give thanks to you, for you have become my salvation.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.

I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me and have become my salvation.

I will give thanks to you, for you have become my salvation.

Romans Reading for Easter Day

Romans 6. 1-14 Christ was raised from the dead so that we might walk in newness of life

An anthem for Easter Day

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

Text: Chorus novae Jerusalem, St Fulbert of Chartres, (ca. 960-1028); translated Robert Campbell and others

Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ, the Paschal victory to hymn in strains of holy joy ...

Gospel for Easter Day, Mark 16. 1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Easter for 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.** This week we're going to be sharing in Easter Day worship and creating an Easter Garden in the Lady Chapel for all to see and enjoy.



Palm Sunday worship and part of the activities in the Lady Chapel (Mark 11. 1-11)

- Our [Children & Young People website page](#) has loads of new activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus this Easter, including some special Easter printables.
- **Easter reflections and art in the Lady Chapel** – Come and think, enjoy and praise!
- We're delighted to be able to offer an **Easter Egg hunt** for the children and young people of St Michael's in the churchyard after the 10am service this Easter Day!

Have you enjoyed our choral music this Holy Week? We are delighted with 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.



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

This Easter Day, 31st March, we'll celebrate Holy Communion at 8am and 10am, with an Easter egg hunt after the 10am service. Throughout Easter week do take the opportunity to come and see our Easter flowers and perhaps place a prayer at the cross.

Tower Tours, Monday 1st April at 2pm and 3pm – £5 for adults, free for children. Book at bells@saintmichaelweb.org.uk or 07773 572135.

TLC this Tuesday, 2nd April in the WCC, 2:15pm for 2:30pm – 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! We welcome Bill Macdonald as our speaker.

Holy Communion, Wednesday 3rd April, 10am – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Refreshments after the service are held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 3rd April, from 10:45 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 at 11:15am for a short worship.**

Prayers for our Community, Saturday 6th April, 9:30am – A half hour session of informal prayer. All welcome.

Lady Day Service for the MU East Cluster, Monday 8th April, 11am, St James – 'Encouraging each other in serving God'. MU members and friends are warmly welcome to this service (refreshments served afterwards)

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.



Psallite Concert with Richard Carr, Saturday 13th April, 6-7:30pm – Come and enjoy this concert, in memory of Jacqui Goddard, a long-standing member of this congregation, with an especial love for all forms of music at St Michael's. Works by Aichinger, Britten, Cloud, Feroci, Gjielo, Piazzolla, Rheinberger and Victoria. Free Entry, Collection for St Michael's Church. For more information, visit the [Music Page](#) on our website.

Bereavement Journey Course, Thursdays for 6 weeks from 18th April, 10am-12:30pm – For anyone who has been bereaved at any time and in any way. There is a series of films and discussion groups looking at grief, within a safe space. You are welcome to have a preliminary discussion with a team member: June Knight, Vivienne Emmett, Liz Puller, or email Alison Jordan on alisonfaith1111@gmail.com

Quiet Days in Albury, next on Thursday 25th April – These popular days of reflection and contemplation in June's home have returned. Places are limited, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Annual Meetings – Our Vestry Meeting and APCM will be held after worship on the **morning of 26th May. The Electoral Roll will be revised from 31st March to 28th April.** See notices/forms for details. If you can consider offering service as a Parochial Church Council (PCC) member for 2024-27 (5 Monday meetings annually, at 7:45pm), please speak to a Churchwarden, Minister, or current PCC member. Many thanks.

HBW, Monday 5th - Friday 9th August, Windhill21 – This year's theme is 'There's a world out there' and [registration for children and sign up for volunteers](#) is live!

Lent Red Bucket Appeal from the Charities Support Group – The proceeds will be added to the money raised through the Tuesday Lent Lunches this year. We will split the Lent money between **Bishop's Stortford Child Contact Centre**, a child-focused charity that supports families directly impacted by separation or divorce, and **Embrace the Middle East**, a Christian development charity tackling poverty and injustice in the Middle East. Further information about the charities and details of online donations to CSG can be found on our [website page](#) or ask the Parish Office for a copy.

Small part-time job available – We are looking for a cleaner for the WCC: 5 hours a week, flexible hours. If you're interested, please contact Gill, Claire, or the Office.

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