



No Service at 8am

10am Parish Communion, in Church

followed by our Annual Parochial Church Meeting in the WCC

Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the WCC after the 10am service and please stay for our APCM.

Collect for Trinity Sunday

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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 85

Refrain: Show us your mercy, O Lord.

Lord, you were gracious to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

You forgave the offence of your people and covered all their sins.

You laid aside all your fury and turned from your wrathful indignation.

All: Show us your mercy, O Lord.

Restore us again, O God our Saviour, and let your anger cease from us.

Will you be displeased with us for ever?

Will you stretch out your wrath from one generation to another?

Will you not give us life again, that your people may rejoice in you?

All: Show us your mercy, O Lord.

Show us your mercy, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

I will listen to what the Lord God will say, for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful, that they turn not again to folly.

*Truly, his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.*

Mercy and truth are met together,

righteousness and peace have kissed each other;

Truth shall spring up from the earth and righteousness look down from heaven.

All: Show us your mercy, O Lord.

We continue our series from Paul's letter to the Romans

Romans 15. 30-16. 16 *Greet one another with a holy kiss*

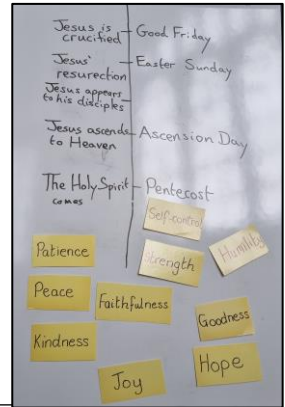
A Gospel reading for today, Mark 14. 43-50

While Jesus was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders. Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, 'The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.' So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, 'Rabbi!' and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him. But one of those who stood near drew his sword and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear. Then Jesus said to them, 'Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a bandit? Day after day I was with you in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me. But let the scriptures be fulfilled.' All of them deserted him and fled.

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'll be thinking about the Trinity, 'one God, three persons', and making crafts to reflect our thoughts.



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

Last week we learned about Wind and Fire on the Day of Pentecost, (Acts 2. 1-14, 41, 42) discovering what happened that special day. The older children went on to consider the fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5. 22-23).

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 (stmichaelsbsdom@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.

Holy Communion, Wednesday 29th May, 10am – A service of Holy Communion, in church. Refreshments after the service are held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 29th May, from 10:45 for 11:15am – Worship for babies/toddlers; with a story, singing and instruments 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.**

Quiet Days in Albury, this Thursday 30th May – These popular days of reflection and contemplation in June's home have returned. Places are limited, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Prayers for our Community, Saturday 1st June, 9:30am – A half hour session of informal prayer. All welcome.

Conversation about Children and Young People – We'll be having a gathering in the Lady Chapel immediately after the 10am First Sunday service on **2nd June**, for children, young people and their families. We'd love to hear thoughts about what we're now doing with our younger church members, and how this ministry may develop. Further details and publicity to follow, but please note the date! Thank you.

A recital with UK Chinese Ensemble, Sunday 2nd June, 3pm – We introduce Dennis Lee playing Xiao (a Chinese vertical end-blown flute) with other musicians on Pipa, ('Chinese Lute') and Guqin, ('Chinese Zither'). Free admission with retiring collection and tea and homemade cake served afterwards.

There won't be a TLC session in the WCC on Tuesday 4th June – A reminder that on Tuesday, 4th June, our TLC regulars are enjoying a trip out for a cream tea at a surprise venue. We'll be back in July (see details opposite).

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.



Coffee Morning, Saturday 8th June, 10am-12noon – All welcome! Fresh coffee / tea and cakes ... plus a cake stall, a raffle and a good as new / unwanted gift stall. Come and join us for a cuppa! Any helpers and cake bakers would be most appreciated. Please contact Gill.

Love Stortford '24, Monday 10th - Saturday 15th June – The Churches Together event is taking place once again. Would you like to join the carnival procession, litter pick, organise your own project or deliver gifts to schools? Leaflets are in the Publicity Area.

The Big Sing for Music Sunday, Sunday 16th June at 10am – A special service of the Word for Music Sunday - a hymn sandwich!

Organ Concert in support of Grove Cottage, Saturday 29th June, 7-8pm – An event sponsored by Daniel Robinson & Sons in support of Grove Cottage. Jonathan Eyre (Organist, Royal Naval College, and Director of Operations, DRS) wishes to give a recital to support this local charity. Free concert; retiring collection for Grove Cottage. Refreshments served afterwards.

HBW, Monday 5th - Friday 9th August, Windhill21 – This year's theme is 'There's a world out there'. We already have over 280 children signed up! **Child registration will stay open until this Monday 27th May ...** but we don't have enough adults signed up so far (last year we had 85)...so we really need more helpers: please prayerfully consider volunteering. [Registration for children and volunteer sign up here.](#)

Many thanks from the Churchwardens – To all that contributed in some way to the BBQ and our Sunday joyful keeping of Pentecost in worship and feasting. The wonderfully catered meal was greatly appreciated.

Christian Aid Week thanks – Thank you very much to everyone for your prayers and your on line donations during Christian Aid Week. We have also so far collected £151 in the Red Buckets, at the BBQ and at coffees. Your support and generosity will definitely make a difference.

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