



No Service at 8am

10am Parish Communion, in Church

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

Collect for The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

A Gospel reading for today, Mark 5. 21-43

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' He looked all round to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.' While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

A Psalm for today, Psalm 30

Refrain: You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead.

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have raised me up and have not let my foes triumph over me.
O Lord my God, I cried out to you and you have healed me.
You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead;
you restored me to life from among those that go down to the Pit.
Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; give thanks to his holy name.
For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favour for a lifetime.
Heaviness may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning. **[R]**
In my prosperity I said, 'I shall never be moved.
You, Lord, of your goodness, have made my hill so strong.'
Then you hid your face from me and I was utterly dismayed.
To you, O Lord, I cried; to the Lord I made my supplication:
'What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?
Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
'Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; O Lord, be my helper.' **[R]**
You have turned my mourning into dancing;
you have put off my sackcloth and girded me with gladness;
Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;
O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever. **[R]**

Lord, you hide your face when we trust in ourselves; strip us of false security and re-clothe us in your praise, that we may know you as the one who raises us from death, as you raised your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

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 most weeks.** Today, we are going to share in a short worship on today's Gospel reading then enjoy some games together outside.

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



Last week we concluded our series on Joshua. We heard about the walls of Jericho and that God is powerful enough to do anything. (*Joshua 6. 1-20*). We made trumpets and built up the walls of Jericho, before marching around the walls, blowing our trumpets loudly and then crashing them down! Later we added prayers/pictures to a prayer brick wall.



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.

The craft group meets on alternate Mondays in the WCC from 10am to 12noon, next this Monday 1st July. All welcome! We sometimes bring along our own current crafting hobby and sometimes one of the group shares a craft. In the past we have done sewing, knitting, crochet, paper crafts, macramé and book folding. We usually prepare items for sale at the annual St Michael's Church Holly Fair (all proceeds of which go to local, national and international charities).

TLC Tuesday, 2nd July in the WCC, 2:15pm for 2:30pm – Join 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! Next month, The Vicar will be our speaker, talking about his 30 years in ministry.

Derwyn looks forward to presiding at the **10am Holy Communion this Wednesday, 3rd July**, St Thomas' Day, the precise anniversary of his deaconing. He will be delighted, as always, to share in eucharist with all who are able to come. There'll be a special emphasis on praying for vocations of all kinds, in the worship that day.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 3rd July, 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.

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

Preaching and worship on 7th and 21st July will have a stewardship theme – Giving Season literature is in the cross aisle in church. Please pick up a named envelope for yourself and deliver any others if you're able. If there isn't a named envelope, please take one of the Giving Season envelopes in the Publicity Area.

Messe Solennelle, Sunday 14th July, 6pm – All are warmly invited to share in our special Choral Communion service. The liturgy will be the liturgy for thanksgiving for Holy Communion, otherwise known as Corpus Christi.

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

Classical Guitar Recital, Sunday 28th July, 3pm – We are delighted to welcome renowned classical guitar recitalist and recording artist Mark Jennings to St Michael's. Free admission, retiring collection, tea and homemade cakes served afterwards.

HBW, Monday 5th - Friday 9th August, Windhill21 – This year's theme is 'There's a world out there'. **We still need a few more helpers:** please prayerfully consider volunteering. [Registration for children and volunteer sign up here.](#)

St Albans Diocesan Synod Elections – Elections to the Diocesan Synod by the Houses of Laity and Clergy in the Deanery Synods for the triennium 2024-2027 will be held between 1st May and 15th July 2024 this year. Please see the noticeboard for more information and speak to Derwyn, if you'd value his recollections of serving on the Synod.

The Children's Society Collecting Boxes (2023/4) – Thank you so much to everyone who collects for the Children's Society. Please could you bring your boxes to me in church in **July**, during a Sunday or Wednesday service. I can pick up your box if it's easier, but please do **not** leave any money boxes in church. Many thanks, Carole Macdonald.

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.

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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