



8am Holy Communion, in Church

10am Service of the Word, in Church & [Zoom](#)

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

Our Stewardship theme for today, 'Worship and Offering'

A reading from the second book of Chronicles

2 Chronicles 31. 1-10

Psalms 119. 9-16

Refrain: Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes.

- 9 How shall young people cleanse their way to keep themselves according to your word?
- 10 With my whole heart have I sought you; O let me not go astray from your commandments.
- 11 Your words have I hidden within my heart, that I should not sin against you.
- 12 Blessed are you, O Lord; O teach me your statutes. **[R]**
- 13 With my lips have I been telling of all the judgements of your mouth.
- 14 I have taken greater delight in the way of your testimonies than in all manner of riches.
- 15 I will meditate on your commandments and contemplate your ways.
- 16 My delight shall be in your statutes and I will not forget your word. **[R]**

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians

2 Corinthians 8. 8-15

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written, 'The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little.'

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

Jesus sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'

Collect for The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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.

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 begin a series on Jesus the healer, this week learning how Jesus is able to heal people who are ill (*Mark 1. 29-39*).



Last Sunday we combined worship with games with the story of the Wise and Foolish Builders (*Matthew 7. 24-27*), using Giant Jenga! We then shared the Gospel from the previous week (*Mark 4. 35-41*); before using the parachute to make our own waves and calm sea, plus lots of other parachute games ... with balls, treasure, songs and prayers!

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

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.

Preaching and worship this Sunday 7th July and on 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.

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

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 10th 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 worship.**

Prayers for our Community, Saturday 13th July, 9:30am – A half hour session of informal prayer. All welcome.

Messe Solennelle, next 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.

The craft group meets on alternate Mondays in the WCC from 10am to 12noon, next on Monday 15th 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).

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.

Funeral of Jenny Klincke, Monday 29th July, 10am – Rob and family would like to invite to the funeral all who knew Jenny, our sister-in-Christ.

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.](#)

TLC Tuesday, 6th August in the WCC, 2:15pm for 2:30pm – Join tea and talk and a regular 10/15 minute presentation on wide ranging interests. Next month, Andy Gibson is returning with Part Two of his life in the Metropolitan Police. Do come along...and tell your friends too!

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.

Organ prom thanks for a wonderful concert – We extend our thanks to Jonathan Eyre for playing, Daniel Robinson & Sons for sponsoring, the audience for supporting the event, and helping raise £500 for the work of Grove Cottage.

Thank you from Derwyn – "To all who joined me to mark 30 years of ordination as a deacon - at TLC on 2nd July and Communion on the 3rd. Many thanks for kind words, in person and in cards received, and for the much-enjoyed cake!"

Love Stortford thanks from the Love Stortford team – "Lots of activities were captured on video this year, do have a look on YouTube ([Love Stortford Social Media Video](#)), it is very encouraging. Thank you all for your efforts this year."

Parish Register for June

We remember in our prayers the families of Joyce Jones and Derek Shaw, whose funerals took place last month.

We welcome Hugo Hogg and Juniper Robinson into the fellowship of faith following their Baptism in June.

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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