



THE PARISH OF ST MARY & ST PAUL



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WEEKLY NEWS – Sunday 4th October Harvest Festival

WELCOME to our services today

Please join us for refreshments. (After the 9.30 at St Mary's, before the 11.15 at St Paul's).

Communion: All are welcome at the Lord's table. If you do not usually receive Bread and Wine, do come forward for a prayer of blessing.

Silent Prayer: Take the opportunity before the service to pray in silent preparation, respecting those who value this time of quiet prayer.

Prayers: If you would like a prayer said with you after the service - or at any other time - please speak to one of the clergy.

Giving: The church relies on the generosity of those who worship in, and visit, our buildings. If you are able to join the Parish Giving Scheme or want giving envelopes to regularly contribute to the parish, do ask a Welcomer or Churchwarden for information.

Safeguarding: Please note that many of our services are live streamed and the congregation may be seen. Pews that usually appear in view are marked but if in doubt ask a Welcomer where to sit.

Safeguarding Officers: Julie and Clare. Speak to them about any concerns or to report incidents.

Please be mindful and respectful of personal boundaries when exchanging the peace.

THIS WEEK

TODAY: 8am service St Mary's,

We welcome Bishop Rob Wickham to our services at 9.30 and 11.15 today as we celebrate our Harvest Festival. We are supporting the DENS Foodbank and Highfield Community Fridge with our gifts of produce but as Bishop Rob is the Chief Executive Officer of CUF, The Church Urban Fund, we are also encouraging people who would like to make a financial donation to support his charity this Harvest season. We also welcome The Revd Canon Miriam Mugan who is visiting us today. Canon Miriam will be helping cover some of our services during the vacancy at St Barnabas, Adeyfield. Old Town Market 11am-3pm

Wednesday: 10.30am Communion at St Mary's

Thursday 8th October: 8pm Fundraiser 'Pints, Pews & Phantoms' at St Mary's and Old Kings Arms, see posters, starts at OKA.

Friday 9th October LTPT event with JJ Cale tribute band, St Mary's, see poster

NEXT Sunday The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, Services 8am, 9.30am St Mary's, 11.15 St Paul's
4pm, Welcome service for Revd Austin at St Alban's, Warners End & Gadebridge

NOTICES.

Lectio Course: See the flyers for details of this Team course running over 5 weeks on Tuesdays at St Alban's Church (starts 29th September) and Fridays at the COR, Grovehill (starts 2nd October).

FORTHCOMING DATES

14th October: 7.30pm, Revd Matt's licensing service at Dunstable Priory. See poster

15th October: 1pm Church Fundraising Quiz and lunch, Old King's Arms, £10 each

20th October: Deanery Synod, St John's, Boxmoor at 8pm

23rd October: 5-7pm GTG Film Night, St Mary's, more details to follow.

25th October: 3-7pm Hemel Old Town Hallowe'en Party more details about St Mary's involvement and call for volunteers to follow.

1st November: All Saints and All Souls Sunday. A commemoration of our departed loved ones at the 9.30 and 11.15 services.

7th November St Mary's Church Autumn Clean: lots to clean and the more the merrier between 9.30am and 12 noon

15th November: Safeguarding Sunday. Presentations and interviews at all services.

16th November: 7.30pm PCC meeting.

12th December: Parish Christingle service, St Mary's at 4.30pm

Who's who and contact details, see separate slip!