



Worshipping, caring, loving, sharing: inviting all



## SUNDAY BULLETIN

22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**A WARM WELCOME** to you all. Please feel free to receive communion if you are a member of another Christian Church. If you prefer to receive a blessing, bring your service order to the communion rail and we will know what you would like. After church please join us for tea or coffee in the Parish Room.

**COLLECT:** Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father's sheep: teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. AMEN.

**READINGS:** Acts 4: 5-12 (first); 1 John 3: 16-24 (second);  
John 10: 11-18 (Gospel)

**HYMNS FOR THE 9.30 am EUCHARIST:** 261, 246, 227, 452, 237 (all HON)

*Gradual anthem: The Lord Is My Shepherd*

### PRAYER DURING THE VACANCY:

GOD OUR FATHER, at this time of change, send your Holy Spirit to fill us with vision, energy and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community. Guide with your heavenly wisdom those who are about to choose our new vicar, that we may receive a wise shepherd of your people: ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith, and to lead by example in loving obedience to your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. AMEN.

### NEXT SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

**HOLY TRINITY:** 8.00 am (Said Eucharist)

9.30 am (Sung Eucharist)

**CHRIST THE KING:** 11.15 am (Sung Eucharist)

**READINGS:** Acts 8: 26-40 (first); 1 John 4: 7-21 (second);  
John 15: 1-8 (Gospel)

### WEEKDAY SERVICES

DAILY OFFICE (Holy Trinity):

SILENT PRAYER: Monday – Thursday 8.00 am followed by

MORNING PRAYER: Monday – Thursday 8.30 am

EVENING PRAYER: Friday 5.15 pm

## DIARY for the week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> April

<b>Sunday</b>	Said Eucharist	8.00 am (HT)
	Sung Eucharist	9.30 am (HT)
	Sung Eucharist	11.15 am (CtK)
<b>Monday</b>	Women's World Day of Prayer	2 pm (All Saints)
	<i>Refreshments from 1 pm</i>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Tea & coffee drop-in	10 am – 12 noon (HT)
	Trinity Tots	1.45 – 3.00 pm (HT)
	Knit and Natter	3.00 pm (CtK)
	Eucharist of healing & remembrance	7.30 pm (HT)
<b>Thursday</b>	Art Group	10 am – 12 noon (HT)
	NO Choir practice this week	
<b>Saturday</b>	Tea & coffee drop-in	10 am – 12 noon (HT)
	Messy Church planning meeting	10.30 am (HT)
<b>Sunday</b>	Said Eucharist	8.00 am (HT)
	Sung Eucharist	9.30 am (HT)
	Sung Eucharist	11.15 am (CtK)
	Christ the King JCC AGM	12.45 pm (CtK)



### DAILY PRAYERS FOR THIS WEEK:

<b>Today</b>	We pray for world leaders, that they think carefully about the consequences of their actions and do not get drawn into conflict unnecessarily.
<b>Monday</b>	We pray for our PCC, ministry team and all those involved in supporting our churches.
<b>Tuesday</b>	We give thanks for farmers, without whose efforts we would not be fed.
<b>Wednesday</b>	We pray for our armed forces, as they carry out their duties.
<b>Thursday</b>	We pray for the emergency services. Give them strength as they carry out often unpleasant and distressing tasks.
<b>Friday</b>	We give thanks for all those who work in the 'invisible' services, which make our lives so much better.
<b>Saturday</b>	We pray for our church congregations.

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**ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING:** At the APCM last Sunday, the following were elected:

Lee Slater (Churchwarden)  
Rebecca Birch (PCC member)  
Maureen Lucraft (PCC member)  
Geoff Withers (PCC member)

A presentation was made to Dianne Rowland with grateful thanks for all her hard work during the past year.

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all who supported Christ the King's Table Top sale last week. We raised £62 for church funds.

The next table top sale at Christ the King will be Saturday June 9<sup>th</sup>, 10 am – 2 pm. Tables £5 each.

**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**, at All Saints Church, Pin Green. Refreshments from 1 pm, the service starts at 2 pm, led by the Rev. C Perera. This is the rescheduled date – the original service was cancelled due to the snow.

Gentlemen are very welcome to join in. The service will be followed by further refreshments, and there will be a Bring and Buy stall to cover expenses. For further information ring 01438 215091.

**CHRIST THE KING:** The JCC AGM will be held after next Sunday's service (29<sup>th</sup> April).

**MESSY CHURCH: Saturday May 19<sup>th</sup>, 4 – 6 pm.** The theme will be 'Wedding' as this also coincides with the Royal Wedding! As well as the usual Messy Church activities, we are inviting the whole church to join us for a bring and share tea. More details will follow.

There will be a planning meeting this Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> at 10.30 am at Holy Trinity – bring yourselves and your planning ideas!

**THE WHEELS ARE IN MOTION!** For another Spring Bank Holiday cycling event. **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May** will see the High Street host another race and we are hoping to provide refreshments in the garden again. Further details to follow.

**SAVE THE DATE!** Back by popular demand the Summer Sounds concert will take place at Christ the King on **27<sup>th</sup> August** (Bank Holiday Monday). For those who would like to be part of the singing group, look out for more details.

**THY KINGDOM COME BEACON CELEBRATION:** This will take place on Saturday May 19<sup>th</sup>, 6.30 pm at St Albans Abbey. Archbishop Justin Welby will be present. The Beacon Celebration is one of many Thy Kingdom Come events taking place around the country and will be a collaboration between Soul Survivor Watford, local and national youth organisations, ecumenical partners, the Diocese of St Albans and the Cathedral. The celebration will welcome Christians of all denominations. Entry is FREE. Prayer and fun activities will run from 4 pm.

Please do spread the word about this event. Whilst the event is multi-generational, they hope to encourage as many young people as possible to attend. It will be a fabulous opportunity to be inspired to pray that others may come to know Jesus Christ.

**DIOCESAN JOB VACANCY:** The Diocese of St Albans seeks an experienced administrator to provide support to its Estates Department. Applicants will have strong administrative and organisational skills, as well as good interpersonal and IT skills and will ideally have a background in property or finance and committee administration. Further details from [www.stalbans.anglican.org/diocese/other-vacancies](http://www.stalbans.anglican.org/diocese/other-vacancies). Closing date Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 12 noon.

**FOOD BANK AND THE HAVEN:** Thank you for your continued support. They currently DO NEED tinned ham, corned beef, granulated sugar, packets of dried mashed potato, coffee creamer, toilet rolls, 10 x new bags for life, tuna, squash, long life juice cartons, raspberry or strawberry jam (not homemade). Demand is high at the moment.

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