



*St. Mary the Virgin, Baldock.  
St. Margaret of Antioch, Bygrave.*



“BUILDING WITH CHRIST”

## **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

**8.00am Holy Communion**

**9.30am Parish Communion**

*There is a quiet traditional service of Holy Communion every Sunday morning at 8am*

**This Sunday** is the **Seventh Sunday after Trinity.**

Rev'd Elizabeth Bunker concludes her group of Sundays on which she has been leading our worship. At our **09:30 Parish Communion**, the organ and the Praise Be band will be accompanying us as the choir takes a well-earned summer break. We hear the parable of the man who kept buying more and more, thinking this was the most important thing to do in his life.

**Next Sunday** is the **Eighth Sunday after Trinity.**

We welcome back Rev'd Canon Lindsay Dew to lead our worship today.

At our **09:30 Parish Communion**, the organ will be accompanying us and as the choir are on their summer break, we sing an extra hymn during Communion. In our gospel reading next week, we are challenged to consider where our treasure is and if we are ready for the return of the king.

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### **Today's worship**

Opening hymn: 96

Before the Gospel: Lord have mercy (Praise Be)

Offertory hymn: 70

Final hymn: 74

## **The Collect**

Lord of all power and might,  
who art the author and giver of all good things:  
Graft in our hearts the love of thy name,  
increase in us true religion,  
nourish us with all goodness,  
and of thy great mercy keep us in the same;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

## **The New Testament Reading      Colossians 3: 1-11**

<sup>1</sup>If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, <sup>3</sup>for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. <sup>5</sup>Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). <sup>6</sup>On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. <sup>7</sup>These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. <sup>8</sup>But now you must get rid of all such things – anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup>In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

## **The Gospel      Luke 12: 13-21**

<sup>13</sup>Someone in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.’ <sup>14</sup>But he said to him, ‘Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?’ <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, ‘Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.’ <sup>16</sup>Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup>And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” <sup>18</sup>Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup>And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” <sup>20</sup>But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” <sup>21</sup>So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

This week, please remember in your prayers these areas of our parish:  
Eisenburg Close, Orwell View, Rhee Spring, Ringtale Place, Rye Gardens

Those in need of healing:

Paula Conder, Jeanette Jackson, Sheila Boudreau,  
Ashling Galley Coulthard, Lynne Edwards, Rosemary Charsley,  
Stephen Cooper, David Dodds, Eleanor Morrison, Helen Walden,  
Olive Elves, Julian Evan Hart, Oliver Britton, Debbie Lovelock,  
Connie Grimwade.

Those who have died:

Baby Elizabeth Lacey, Eve Haerle

At the anniversary of their death:

Fr. Christopher Mackonochie, Bill Darts, David Macguire, Peggy White

## **The wonder of your cross by Robin Mark (Praise Be)**

The wonder of your cross  
Shall be our meditation,  
To gather in that shadow  
As the sun went down;  
To weep with those who thought  
That You were leaving,  
You were leaving, Jesus,  
The humble King  
Who never wore an earthly crown.

To steal away at night  
When they took down Your body,  
With love and tears  
To leave You in a borrowed grave;  
To go with Mary to that place they laid You,  
Where they laid You, Jesus,  
And in the morning  
Find the stone was rolled away.

*The cross, oh, the wonderful cross;  
What glory, what victory I've found.  
I'll come to the wonderful cross  
And my whole life I lay down.*

Were heaven's praises silent  
In those hours of darkness?  
Your Holy Spirit  
Brooding round that empty throne?  
Until the declaration 'He is risen',  
You are risen, Jesus:  
'He is not dead,  
Behold He lives forever more.' [Refrain]

### **Lord I come to you (Praise Be)**

Lord I come to You  
Let my heart be changed, renewed,  
Flowing from the grace  
That I've found in You.  
Lord I've come to know  
The weaknesses I see in me  
Will be stripped away  
By the power of Your love.

*Hold me close, Let Your love surround me.  
Bring me near, Draw me to Your side;  
And as I wait, I'll rise up like the eagle,  
And I will soar with You, Your Spirit leads me on  
In the power of Your love.*

Lord unveil my eyes,  
Let me see You face to face,  
The knowledge of Your love  
As You live in me.  
Lord renew my mind  
As Your will unfolds in my life,  
In living every day  
By the power of Your love. [refrain]

*And I will soar with You, Your Spirit leads me on, In the power of Your love x2*

## Post Communion

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life,  
ever giving himself that the world may live:  
may we so receive within ourselves  
the power of his death and passion  
that, in his saving cup,  
we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Amen**

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We are very grateful to Elizabeth Bunker and Lindsay Dew who, between them, will be leading our worship on Sunday mornings while Andrew is on the second part of his sabbatical. Ian Friars, and Andrew's mother, Margaret Holford, are also helping out on weekdays. As ever Katrina and Sharon will be caring for much of the pastoral issues in the parish, including hospital visiting and taking funerals which Katrina has now begun to do at a crematorium when a C of E minister is requested or at St Mary's church.

Please contact Katrina or Sharon or one of the wardens for any pastoral matters, Alex Milne for anything administrative and one of the wardens, in Baldock or Bygrave, for anything else practical.

### Upcoming Meetings:

**Thursday Home Group:** Thu 15<sup>th</sup> August at 10.30am (location TBC)

Community Sponsorship: Sun 1<sup>st</sup> September at 4:30pm

**Friends of St Mary's Committee meeting:** Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Sept at 3.45pm

**Monday Home Group:** Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Sept at 8pm, 24 Park Crescent

**Youth Communion Service:** Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept at 6.45pm

**After Hours:** Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Sept at 7pm, 24 Park Crescent

Our next **communion service where we pray for healing and**

**wholeness** is on Tues 20<sup>th</sup> August at 3pm at 6 Pinnocks Lane. These are



powerful occasions where we have been blessed with seeing God's Holy Spirit at work in our midst. Do join us to discover more. If you would like to come but can't make a Tuesday afternoon, speak to Andrew.

# Fell wship Lunch

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August at 12:00.

**Menu:** Roast Lamb and summer trimmings, followed by a variety of desserts  
**Everybody welcome – don't eat lunch alone, come and share it with friends.**

## **Job advertisement: Administrative Secretary (St Albans Diocese)**

Applications are invited for this busy and varied post supporting parishes, professional advisers and committees in the care, maintenance and development of church buildings across Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire, Luton and Barnet. Good computer skills essential and an understanding of the Church of England an advantage. Salary £24,916 - £28,307 plus generous pension Further details are available at:

[www.stalbans.anglican.org/diocese/other-vacancies](http://www.stalbans.anglican.org/diocese/other-vacancies)

Closing date: 21 August 2019 – 12 noon

## **Save the date please! Church cleaning morning – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September.**

Can you help with our annual more extensive clean of the church and contents (such as polishing silver!) from 10am – 2pm, with a break for Light Lunches in the church hall.

There are lots of jobs to do, both big and small so please give whatever time you can (even half an hour would help!)



Charlotte Joyce, one of our young people, and 5 other teenagers and their coach, will be taking part in the Jersey round island challenge on the 31st August 2019. They all swim for Flitwick Dolphins swim club. The training for this involves open water training weekly and visits down to Dover to complete training in the sea, It is a route of 45 miles in total, and could take up to 12 hours or more to complete - they will be taking it in turns to swim. They have chosen the charities they would like to support and raise important funds for: young minds which is a mental health charity, The RNLI, Solving Kids Cancer and supporting the Grace Crocker Family Support Foundation, If you would like to support Charlotte and her team mates then donations can be made using the link below:

[https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/FlitwickDolphins\\_JerseyRelay](https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/FlitwickDolphins_JerseyRelay)



***Musical Evening***  
***Baldock Methodist***  
***Church***

***Whitehorse Street***

***SG7 6QB***

***7pm***

***13<sup>th</sup> September 2019***

**Supported by local churches**

**FREE ADMISSION**

**With a retiring collection for the  
Christian Initiative to Schools.**



**Bike 'n Hike (or drive!) – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

The sponsored *Bike 'n Hike* is an annual fundraising event organised by the Beds and Herts Historic churches Trust. The aim is to raise money both for the Trust and for St Mary's Church. It is now also possible to drive between churches so there is no excuse not to take part!

Please let me know if you would like a sponsorship form and a list of participating churches (both of which can be found on their website: <http://www.b-n-h.co.uk/>)

For more details, contact Alex Milne: [baldockbenefice@gmail.com](mailto:baldockbenefice@gmail.com)



Can't walk or cycle? **Can you help on the day by manning the signing in form / refreshment point?** Please let Alex know if you can help for an hour or so.

## WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

**CHURCH OPEN: Sun to Fri 8.40 am to 3.30 pm**  
**Coffee Bar and gift shop open Wed. 10 am to midday.**

Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Aug	<i>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</i>		
	8.00 am	Holy Communion	(Elizabeth Bunker)
	9.30 am	Parish Communion	(Elizabeth Bunker)
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Oswald, king, martyr 642</i>		
	10:30 am	Communion at Magdalene Court	
	1:30 pm	Silent Prayer in the Church Hall	
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>			
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	8.40 am	Morning Prayer	
	9.30 am	Holy Communion (Elizabeth Bunker)	
	10.30 am	Tiny Tots Sing-a-long	
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>	<i>8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</i>		
	8.00 am	Holy Communion	(Lindsay Dew)
	9.30 am	Parish Communion	(Lindsay Dew)

Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16, Luke 12: 32-40



**Messy Church** takes a break in August but we will be back right at the beginning of September! Do join us at **12pm** on **1 September** for a picnic lunch followed by crafts, activities and a short service. Messy Church is about having fun with the whole family! No Charge—donations welcome.