



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



“BUILDING WITH CHRIST”

Sunday 28th June 2020
Third Sunday after Trinity

To worship with us on Sunday morning at 9.30am copy the link below into your browser:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81745553147?pwd=NTU5R3dqWXBYeIN4S05KaUtrTFRoUT09>

Meeting ID: 817 4555 3147

Password: 843060

You can also join the worship using a landline. Dial one of these numbers: 0203 481 5240 or 0131 460 1196 or 0203 051 2874 or 0203 481 5237. You will need the meeting ID and password.

WORDS FOR THE HYMNS FOR 9.30AM ZOOM WILL BE IN THE CHAT SECTION OF THE SCREEN OR YOU CAN PRINT THEM OUT BEFOREHAND.

It's a really good way of feeling part of the St Mary's Christian community. If you need help connecting, contact Andrew.

We recommend you sign in in good time if you haven't used Zoom before

To join us for Zoom Sunday Evening Prayer at 6pm use this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89600699490?pwd=MFlYcHZUb2dGbEFjQUFlcnBYUkZlZz09>

Meeting ID: 896 0069 9490

Password: 389948

Stop press! See next page! Breaking news!

St Mary's Church is OPEN from 9.30am to 3.30pm EVERY DAY.

St Margaret's Church, Bygrave is OPEN on SUNDAYS from 9am – 6pm

The churches are at present open for private prayer only.

WE CLEAN ST MARY'S DAILY. IF YOU ARE NOT IN A VULNERABLE GROUP OR SHIELDING, COULD YOU VOLUNTEER TO GO ON A ROTA OF CLEANERS? (you will be required for less than 1 hour once a fortnight)

We hope worship to be in church next week as follows:

8am Communion (BCP) Baldock
9.30am Parish Communion Baldock
11am Parish Communion Bygrave



We will send out firm details next week but if it goes ahead then we expect:

1. to have an organist but no singing except possibly one soloist
2. to observe 2m distancing with relevant hygiene precautions
3. to hold 8am communion in the main body of the church
4. not to physically share the peace
5. to receive in one kind only (the bread and not the wine), from the rector only, with suitable precautions
6. to clean the churches after each act of worship
7. not to serve tea and coffee

Info about Messy Church will come out next week but we clearly can't offer a meal at the moment and it will be virtually impossible to ensure social distancing.



We're not sure what to do with Zoom worship on 5th July. We could hold it at 9.30am or 11am, zooming our main service (which would probably be open to all sorts of catastrophes!), have a separate service (possibly in the afternoon), or just have Evening Prayer at 6pm. It would be really helpful to have your views.

Morning Prayer each day takes place in church. Sadly it will still need to be private this week and not open to other people to join.

We say Evening Prayer together each day by Zoom (see the times in Week at a Glance). The link to join in is sent out in the daily mailing. If you can't make the evening times but would like to say Morning Prayer (which is usually at 8.40am), contact Andrew Holford.

Our Home Groups are still operating, Monday evening at 8pm Tuesday evening at 7.30pm and Thursday morning at 10.30am. See Week at a Glance for dates this week. And our young people meet each Sunday evening for a Zoom session. Get in touch for more details.

Remember to keep an eye open for those who are still shielding and may need support or friendship

Prayers and readings for this Sunday

Hymn: Ye servants of God (Hymn 756)

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad his wonderful name;
the name all victorious of Jesus extol;
his kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

God ruleth on high, almighty to save;
and still he is nigh: his presence we have;
the great congregation his triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!
let all cry aloud, and honour the Son;
the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give him his right:
all glory and pow'r, all wisdom and might,
and honour and blessing with angels above,
and thanks never-ceasing and infinite love.

The Collect

Almighty God,
you have broken the tyranny of sin
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts
whereby we call you Father:
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,
that we and all creation may be brought
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;
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

The Old Testament Reading Jeremiah 28:5-9

⁵ Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; ⁶ and the prophet Jeremiah said, 'Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfil the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. ⁷ But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸ The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹ As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet.'

NOT USED AT 9.30am
ZOOM WORSHIP

Psalm 89: 1-4,15-18 (not at 9.30am)

1 My song shall be always of the loving-kindness of the Lord: ♦
with my mouth will I proclaim your faithfulness
throughout all generations.

2 I will declare that your love is established for ever; ♦
you have set your faithfulness as firm as the heavens.

3 For you said: 'I have made a covenant with my chosen one; ♦
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

4 "Your seed will I establish for ever ♦
and build up your throne for all generations."

15 Happy are the people who know the shout of triumph: ♦
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance.

16 In your name they rejoice all the day long ♦
and are exalted in your righteousness.

17 For you are the glory of their strength, ♦
and in your favour you lift up our heads.

18 Truly the Lord is our shield, ♦
the Holy One of Israel is our king.

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ZOOM WORSHIP

The New Testament Reading Romans 6:12-end

¹² Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³ No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments^[b] of righteousness.

¹⁴ For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. ¹⁵ What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶ Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷ But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, ¹⁸ and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹ I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations.^[c] For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. ²⁰ When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹ So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²² But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Gospel Matthew 10:40-end

⁴⁰ ‘Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.’

Prayers

We pray for strength to follow Jesus.
Saviour, we hear your call.

Help us to follow.

Jesus said: ‘Whoever wishes to be great among you
must be your servant,’
Saviour, we hear your call.

Help us to follow.

Jesus said: ‘Unless you change
and become humble like little children,
you can never enter the kingdom of heaven.’
Saviour, we hear your call.

Help us to follow.

Jesus said: 'Happy are the humble;
they will receive what God has promised.'
Saviour, we hear your call.
Help us to follow.

Jesus said: 'Be merciful as your Father is merciful;
love your enemies and do good to them.'
Saviour, we hear your call.
Help us to follow.

Jesus said: 'Love one another, as I love you;
there is no greater love than this,
to lay down your life for your friends.'
Saviour, we hear your call.
Help us to follow.

Jesus said: 'Go to people everywhere
and make them my disciples,
and I will be with you always, to the end of time.'
Saviour, we hear your call.
Help us to follow.

God of mercy,
**you know us and love us
and hear our prayer:
keep us in the eternal fellowship of Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Amen.**

This week, please remember in your prayers these areas of our parish:
North Road, Royston Road, Bygrave Road, Larkins Close, Salisbury Road

Those in need of healing:

Paula Conder, Jeanette Jackson, Sheila Boudreau, Olive Elves, Stephen Cooper,
Peter Harris, baby Luca Mabert, Oliver Britton, Liz Smith, Anne England,
Martin Reed, Bob Burt, Penny and Douglas Mitchell, Martyn Gray, Sally Port, Jean Smith,
Ron Crumpholt, John Pearson.

Those who have recently died:

Margaret Wright, Linda Catling

At the anniversary of their death:

Dennis Chamberlain, Ken Cooper, Phil Bye, Gaynor Morgan, David Sheldrick,
Kitty Lucker

Final prayer

O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining
and whose power we cannot comprehend:
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear
until we may look upon you without fear;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen

Final Hymn: Will you come and follow me (Hymn 752)

Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown
in you, and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare,
will you let me answer prayer
in you, and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you, and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside,
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and
sound
in you, and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you, and you in me

The next **Baldock PCC meeting** will be on Monday 20th July at 7.45pm on Zoom

FINANCE

Unsurprisingly the income to the Church has gone down considerably over the last few months (Chris Page thinks it might be as much as £20 000 down by the end of the year.) This has been exacerbated by having to postpone our annual planned giving renewal (which was scheduled for April). Costs have fallen a little bit, but not by anything like the same amount as income. We can survive, but if we do nothing next year might look very different.

Thank you to everyone who has responded to this message. If you haven't yet, but keep meaning to(!), please can you do so soon as it will help inform financial planning decisions we will discuss over the next few weeks.

Do you use the weekly giving envelopes? If so, would you like someone to collect them? Or would you be able to BACS the money electronically to the stewardship account? Account no.: 0 7 6 5 6 9 0 8 Sort Code: 3 0 - 9 4 - 3 0?

If you use your envelope number or surname as a reference it will identify you to the Stewardship recorder (and keep your giving anonymous to everyone else). Contact Andy Ball the Stewardship recorder on 637050 for help with any of this. Thank you to all those who are already returning their envelopes whilst the church is shut.

Are you able to make an extra donation to support the work of St Mary's or St Margaret of Antioch at this difficult time? We appreciate that for some of us, times are especially uncertain. We do not want you to give extra if it is going to cause you or your family extra anxiety. We are very grateful to all who give sacrificially at whatever level.

We are provisionally planning the our planned giving renewal for the end of September (probably linked to the Harvest Festival.) If you need to reduce your financial giving to the church before this date, please contact Andy Ball, the Stewardship Recorder (637050). We hope and trust that most of us will not be affected in this way and will feel able to prayerfully cover the difference made by those whose incomes have dramatically reduced.

Eco Tip for 3rd Sunday after Trinity: Why not read the latest environment bulletin from the Church of England which has just been released:

<https://mailchi.mp/churchofengland/environment-bulletin-summer-2020-from-the-church-of-england>

Online Giving:

We now have an on-line giving page! This means that you will now be able to donate online to our church fund.

<https://givealittle.co/campaigns/cb7c76f9-62cf-4af6-847e-a3380f2938d6>

Clicking on it gives you the option to donate a set amount or an amount of your own choosing (you can also gift-aid any donation).



Coffee morning

Topic: Coffee and Chat after the service – All Welcome!

Time: Jun 28, 2020 10:30 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78069693364?pwd=dk9uUkpaUINZMkJIQXBldFR4bGR2QT09>

Meeting ID: 780 6969 3364

Password: 5QY72t

Thursday Home Group via Zoom - 2 July at 10:30am

Do join in this friendly group as we discuss a bible passage and it's meaning for us today. This is the link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72780693369?pwd=dlljL3hlcnVzVWmJtaEhXMjllYzNSZz09>

Meeting ID: 727 8069 3369

Password: 0E5atd

Hidden Humour

The new minister stood at the church door greeting the members as they left the Sunday morning service. Most of the people were very generous telling the new minister how much they liked his message, except for one man who said, "The was a very dull and boring sermon, pastor."

A few minutes later, the same man again appeared in line and said, "I don't think you did much preparation for your message."

Once again, the man appeared, this time muttering, "You really blew it. You didn't have a thing to say, pastor."

Finally, the minister could stand it no longer. He went to one of the churchwardens and inquired about the man.

"Oh, don't let that guy bother you," said the churchwarden. "He's a little slow. All he does is go around repeating whatever he hears other people saying."

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

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| Sun 28 th | <i>3rd Sunday after Trinity</i> | 8.15 am | Morning Prayer in church |
| | | 9.30 am | Morning Worship via Zoom |
| | | 6.00 pm | Evening Prayer via Zoom |
| Mon 29 th | <i>Peter and Paul, Apostles</i> | 8.40 am | Morning Prayer in church |
| | | 5.00 pm | Evening Prayer via Zoom |
| | | 8.00 pm | Monday Home Group via Zoom (contact Emma) |
| Tue 30 th | | 4.30 pm | Evening Prayer via Zoom |
| Wed 1 st | | 8.40 am | Morning Prayer in church |
| JULY | | 5.00 pm | Evening Prayer via Zoom |
| Thu 2 nd | | 8.40 am | Morning Prayer in church |
| | | 10.30 am | Thursday Home Group via Zoom (see link in pewsheet) |
| | | 1.30 pm | Funeral of Margaret Wright (RIP) in church |
| | | 4.15 pm | Evening Prayer via Zoom |
| Fri 3 rd | <i>Thomas the Apostle</i> | 5.00 pm | Evening Prayer via Zoom |
| Sat 4 th | | 5.00 pm | Evening Prayer via Zoom |
| Sun 5 th | <i>4th Sunday after Trinity</i> | | |

SERVICES TO BE CONFIRMED EARLY NEXT WEEK

Jesus said, 'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.'

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Next week's readings: *Zechariah 9:9-12, Psalm 145:8-15, Romans 7:15-25a, Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-end*