



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



“BUILDING WITH CHRIST”

**Trinity Sunday
Worship on Sunday 30th May 2021**

9am

Parish Communion in church



We welcome Robert Evens who is leading worship today. Share in the sacrament of communion. Wear a mask unless you are exempt. It's great the choir are able to sing with us. Toilets are available in the church hall. Please ask a sidesperson if you need access.

Those sitting in the nave, in front of the streaming camera, may be visible on the streaming service video. If you would rather not be captured on screen in this way, please speak to a sidesperson who will offer you a seat not visible to the camera. The camera does not capture anyone receiving communion.

Share in Parish Communion in your own home



Take part in Parish Communion online either at 9am on Sunday or any time during the following week, click on this link: <https://youtu.be/SW4SXYAtCxE>

10.15am Zoom Morning Worship

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85865137528?pwd=ZjVrV25sMzJKanNTN3pNZjdqMXVYdz09>

Meeting ID: 858 6513 7528

Passcode: 827152

Evening Prayer is Zoomed most days. You are warmly invited to join us!
(check Week at a Glance for times on specific days)

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Morning Prayer, usually at 8.40am, and some Evening Prayer will be said in church.
You are also warmly invited to join in. See Week at a Glance for days and times.

Please check times and dates this week as they have changed a little during half term.

The Church is open Monday – Saturday at roughly 9am - 3.30pm for private prayer.



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

If you are aware of anyone who is unable to get food or medication etc, or people who are facing extra stress and anxiety or other problems and you cannot care for them yourselves, please get in touch. and please continue praying for each other and for the wounded world in which we live. If you are struggling yourself, please do not keep silent.

Prayers and readings for this Sunday

Hymn 286 Holy, holy, holy!

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning
our song shall rise to thee;
holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons,
blessèd Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy!
Though the darkness hide thee,
though the sinful mortal eye
thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy,
there is none beside thee,
perfect in pow'r,
in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy!
All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim
falling down before thee,
which wert, and art,
and evermore shall be.

Holy, holy, holy!
Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name,
in earth and sky and sea;
holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty!
God in three persons,
blessèd Trinity!

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
you have given us your servants grace,
by the confession of a true faith,
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:

keep us steadfast in this faith,
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;
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.**

NOT USED IN
OUR WORSHIP

The Old Testament Reading Isaiah 6:1-8

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' ⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!' ⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

ONLY USED AT
9.00AM SERVICE

Psalm 29: Let all in heaven and earth unite

Let all in heaven and earth unite in this, our joyful duty;
to praise our God, the Lord of might, the source of truth and beauty;
the rumbling thunder's awesome voice, the lightning flash, both cry,
'Rejoice! Come, give him praise and glory!'

God's voice is echoed by the seas, in storms,
their power unfurling, in winds that lash the cedar trees
and set the desert swirling; it stirs the mighty ocean deep,
the hills like startled cattle leap: come, give him praise and glory!

The New Testament Reading Romans 8: 12-17

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh? ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ? if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

The Gospel John 3: 1-17

¹There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' ³Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' ⁴Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' ⁵Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' ⁹Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' ¹⁰Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

This week, please remember in your prayers these areas of our parish:
Bramley Close, Station Road, Magdalene Court, Clothall Road, Roman Lane

Those in need of healing:

Paula Conder, Penny and Douglas Mitchell, Peter Harris, Oliver Britton, Martin Reed, Martyn Gray, Ron Crumpholt, Dick Haynes, David Dane, Alan Russell, Jeanette Jackson, Margaret Arthur, Tracy Copping, Karen Kynman, Jean Schurch.

Those who have died recently

Graham Blunt, Arthur Thame

Those whose anniversary of death is remembered this week

Jim Dungey, Erling Hoeg, Mary Eastwick, Frank Lawton, Mavis White, Andy Crombie,
Joan Walker

Post Communion

Almighty and eternal God,
who hast revealed thyself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
and dost ever live and reign in the perfect unity of love:
hold us firm in this faith,

that we may know thee in all thy ways
and evermore rejoice in thy eternal glory;
who art three Persons yet one God,
now and for ever. **Amen**

Hymn 163 Father, Lord of all creation

Father, Lord of all creation,
ground of Being, Life and Love;
height and depth beyond description
only life in you can prove:
you are mortal life's dependence:
thought, speech, sight are ours by
grace;
yours is ev'ry hour's existence,
sov'reign Lord of time and space.

Holy Spirit, rushing, burning
wind and flame of Pentecost,
fire our hearts afresh with yearning
to regain what we have lost.
May your love unite our action,
nevermore to speak alone:
God, in us abolish faction,
God, through us your love make
known.

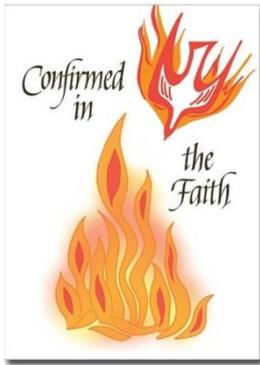
Jesus Christ, the Man for Others,
we, your people, make our prayer:
help us love – as sisters, brothers –
all whose burdens we can share.
Where your name binds us together
you, Lord Christ, will surely be;
where no selfishness can sever
there your love the world may see.

The PCC are finalising plans and faculty applications for the renewing of the nave and chancel roof at St Mary's. We very much hope that it will be carried out this year. Drips of water on your heads when it is raining will be a thing of the past! The work will cost in the region of £225 000 and we have about £40 000 to find. The Friends of St Mary's are spearheading this final push for financial support and will be issuing more details soon. Be part of the final push to make St Mary's watertight!!! Watch this space! Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to get us to this point.

We are restarting our Youth communion service Food4Life for teenagers and children in Year 5 and above. It'll be on Sunday 13th June at 6pm in church. If this is for you, we really hope you can join us.



Thank you to Paul and Emma for a beautiful Pentecost garden transformed from the Easter Garden outside the South Porch. Also, thanks to Sam Gates of Baldock Tesco for donations of plants which enabled it to happen.



We hope to start the next **Faith Confirmed** Group within the next few months. If you would like to find out more about the Christian Faith or if you would like to be confirmed, this group is for you. Subtitled *'101 questions about faith you always wanted to know but never dared ask'* it allows discussion and questions about everything from prayer to what you think about the Holy Spirit. About what happens at communion to Christian moral standards. If someone asked you what a Christian was, would you know how to reply? Faith confirmed helps you think about your answer to this questions and to decide if it applies to you. Speak to Andrew if you are interested.

Forthcoming meetings:

The next Friends of St Mary's committee meeting will be on Thursday 10th June in the evening on Zoom.

The next Community Sponsorship Team meeting is on Sunday 13th June at 4.30pm

The next Bygrave PCC meeting is on Tuesday 15th June at 7.30pm

The next choral Evensong is on Sunday 20th June at 6pm

Eco Tip Trinity Sunday: If you have a garden, do consider having a compost heap - add grass clippings, leafy prunings / deadheadings, vegetable peelings (not cooked food-it will attract rats) and shredded paper- it will be good for your garden and good for ecosystems which break all the ingredients down! Try a wormery for cooked food/peelings if space is short.

Hidden Humour

“What do we know about God?” asked the Sunday School teacher.

“He’s an artist!” said one little boy.

“Really?2 replied the teacher. “How do you know?”

“Because we pray, ‘Our Father who does art in heaven ...’”

Do join us!! For the last two Evening discussions on the Gospels and Acts
Why are there 4 Gospels? What the difference between them? What differing emphases do they illustrate about Jesus Christ? And how do you read Acts in order to appreciate the joys and struggles of the early Church?

June 23rd Luke

June 30th Acts



<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83406781881?pwd=NIQ2Znc4SVhLbGNyazhOM2lpOG9ldz09>

Meeting ID: 834 0678 1881

Passcode: 338747

Hazel and Martin Frost’s latest newsletter will be circulated with this News Sheet.



You may remember that I announced during my sermon last week that the PCC have enthusiastically endorsed running a parish mission in 2021

We are arranging a small group to plan this over the next year and the first meeting is on Monday June 14th at 7.30pm. If you would be interested in being part of this group please let Andrew know.

We would be really grateful for everyone's input in the following ways:

1. We are probably going to plan the mission around the theme of God's creation and climate change. Do you think this is the right theme or do you have other ideas?
2. Do you think truth, prophecy, communication and salvation are the right key words to focus on or should we be looking at others?
3. Do you have any views about using Acts 2: 1 – 21 and John 15: 9b – 27 (the reading for Pentecost) as leading bible passages for the mission or would you suggest others?
4. And most importantly: please pray for our planning and for the mission that we will be communicating what the Spirit is saying to the St Mary's



Worship in the Benefice over the coming months

We expect to be keeping the pattern of worship we have at the moment until June 20th. We do not know yet what changes to expect once the Government eases restrictions on June 21st or what that will mean for Church worship, or even if June 21st will be the key date.

However if there is significant easing that impacts on what we are able to do in church then we are likely to change the pattern of worship for June 27th with relatively little notice.

It may well be that we are able to revert to a pre-covid pattern of worship with relatively little risk. In that case the last Zoom morning worship may be on June 20th and we will reintroduce Sunday BCP Communion at 8am and Parish Communion at St Mary's at 9.30am on June 27th. We will still be offering streaming and are working towards improving the sound on streaming by this date. We expect some Zoom Evening Prayers to continue. Bygrave Parish Communion will stay at 11.15am on June 27th whatever happens but probably move back to 11am in July.

We are beginning to plan for an all age celebration Sunday a few weeks later to rejoice in worshipping together once again as well as to remember all that has happened over the last 18 months and to lament with those who mourn.

More details when we have firmer dates but in the meantime, please check emails and news sheet for up to date news.

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WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

SUNDAY 30 th	<i>Trinity Sunday</i>
	9.00am Parish Communion (we welcome Robert Evens as our celebrant today)
	10.15am Morning Worship on Zoom
	6.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom not in church
Mon 31 st	<i>Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth</i>
	Bank Holiday; half term
	5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
	8.00pm Monday Home Group on Zoom (contact Emma)
Tues 1 st	<i>Justin, martyr, c. 165</i>
JUNE	<u>9.00am</u> Morning Prayer in church
	1.30pm Funeral of Graham Blunt RIP in church
	2.00pm Silent Prayer on Zoom (contact Katrina)
	5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
Wed 2 nd	9.30am Holy Communion (president Robert Evens)
	5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom and in church
Thurs 3 rd	<u>9.00am</u> Morning Prayer in church
	10.30am Thursday Home Group (contact Katrina)
	5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
Sat 5 th	<i>Boniface (Wynfrith), bishop, martyr, 754</i>
	9.30am Morning Prayer in church
	5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom and in church
SUNDAY 6 th	<i>1st Sunday after Trinity</i>
JUNE	8.00am Morning Prayer in church
	9.00am Parish Communion in church
	10.15am Morning Worship in church
	11.15am Messy church in hall
	6.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

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Next week's readings: 1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20, Psalm 138, 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1, Mark 3: 20-end