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

*“BUILDING WITH CHRIST”*

Third Sunday after Trinity

Worship on Sunday 20th June 2021

**9am****Parish Communion in church**

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/Ez_FqpuloIs>

**10.15am****Zoom Morning Worship**

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

**Meeting ID: 858 6513 7528 Passcode: 827152**

**6pm Zoom Evening Prayer (see link below)**

Evening Prayer is Zoomed most days. You are warmly invited to join us!

(check Week at a Glance for times on specific days)

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81188370718?pwd=MVVDelNMbEppRldBYnFpN0NwT1hhQT09>

Meeting ID: 811 8837 0718 Passcode: 188423

*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.*

*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 153 Eternal Father strong to save**

Eternal Father, strong to save,

whose arm doth bind the restless wave,

who bidd’st the mighty ocean deep

its own appointed limits keep:

O hear us when we cry to thee

for those in peril on the sea.

O Saviour, whose almighty word

the winds and waves submissive heard,

who walkedst on the foaming deep,

and calm, amid its rage, didst sleep:

O hear us when we cry to thee

for those in peril on the sea.

O sacred Spirit, who didst brood

upon the waters dark and rude,

and bid their angry tumult cease,

and give, for wild confusion, peace:

O hear us when we cry to thee

for those in peril on the sea.

O Trinity of love and pow’r,

our brethren shield in danger’s hour.

From rock and tempest, fire and foe,

protect them whereso’er they go,

and ever let there rise to thee

glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

**The Collect**

God our saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**Amen**

**The Old Testament Reading Job 38:1-11**

1The LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: 2‘Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? 3Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. 4‘Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. 5Who determined its measurements – surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? 6On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone 7when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? 8‘Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb? – 9when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, 10and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, 11and said, “Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped”?

**Psalm 107**

‘Give God thanks for he is gracious!’

ONLY USED AT 9.00AM SERVICE

now may Israel truly say;

through great trials he has brought us

to the dawn of this new day.

*All God’s children, all God’s children,*

*praise the wonders he has done (he has done),*

*praise the wonders he has done!*

Give God thanks for all his mercies:

fields are watered, crops are sown,

sheep and cattle fill the pastures,

NOT USED IN OUR WORSHIP

babes in arms have safely grown. *[Refrain]*

**The New Testament Reading 2 Corinthians 6: 1-13**

1As we work together with Christ, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. 2For he says, ‘At an acceptable time I have listened to you, and on a day of salvation I have helped you.’ See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! 3We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, 4but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, 5beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; 6by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, 7truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; 8in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; 9as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see – we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; 10as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything. 11We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. 12There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. 13In return – I speak as to children – open wide your hearts also.

**The Gospel Mark 4: 35-41**

35When evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples, ‘Let us go across to the other side.’ 36And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. 37A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. 38But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, ‘Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?’ 39He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, ‘Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. 40He said to them, ‘Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?’ 41And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, ‘Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?’

This week, please remember in your prayers these areas of our parish:

Park Street, Drapers Court, 7 Roes Malting, Saddlers Close, Gentle Court

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 whose anniversary of death is remembered this week

John Marshallsay, baby Thomas Fenner, Mary Parry, Gladys Foster

**Post Communion**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**

**Hymn 503 O Jesus I have promised**

O Jesus, I have promised

to serve thee to the end;

be thou for ever near me,

my Master and my friend:

I shall not fear the battle

if thou art by my side,

nor wonder from the pathway

if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me;

the world is ever near;

I see the sights that dazzle,

the tempting sounds I hear;

my foes are ever near me,

around me and within;

but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,

and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking

in accents clear and still,

above the storms of passion,

the murmurs of self-will;

O speak to reassure me,

to hasten or control;

O speak and make me listen,

thou guardian of my soul.O Jesus, thou hast promised,

to all who follow thee,

that where thou art in glory

there shall thy servant be;

and, Jesus, I have promised

to serve thee to the end:

O give me grace to follow,

my Master and my friend.

O let me see thy foot-marks,

and in them plant mine own;

my hope to follow duly

is in thy strength alone:

O guide me, call me, draw me,

uphold me to the end;

and then in heav’n receive me,

my Saviour and my friend.

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.

**Forthcoming meetings:**

The next PCC Standing committee is Monday 28th June at 8pm

The next date for **communion at Magdalene Court** in Monday 28th June at 10.30am

**Eco Tip Trinity 3:** Get creative by upcycling old clothes by adding buttons or other detailing to give them a fresh look.



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.

**Do join us!! For t**he 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=NlQ2Znc4SVhLbGNyazhOM21pOG9Idz09>

Meeting ID: 834 0678 1881 Passcode: 338747

We are beginning to make more definite plans for the mission next year. More details soon. Please keep praying for this exciting and important initiative.

We are planning the mission around the theme of God’s creation and climate change.

**Worship in the Benefice over the coming months**

Following the recent responses to infection levels we are keeping the present pattern of worship until at least July 18th.

I hope very much we will be able to plan for an all age celebration Sunday a few weeks later (but it is fair to say this will not be on July 25th) 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.

**Please can you help** - many hands make light work! As we are (fingers crossed) now coming out of Covid restrictions and able to return to a more normal pattern of worship, Andrew has asked that the church has a bit of a spruce up. This will need to be done before June 27th which would be the first normal church service if restrictions are lifted. We have set aside **Saturday 19th June at 10am**, just for a couple of hours, to get our beautiful church ready to welcome everyone back. It would be great to see as many of you as possible on 19th even if you can only spare an hour or half an hour! Thank you in advance Sheila 07742562920.

**Admission to Communion:** We plan to run a small group for children in Year 5 or above to admit them to communion so they are able to take a full part in the communion services in church. If you or your child would like to be part of this group and you have not already responded, please let Andrew know. We can then arrange the sessions at a convenient time for you!

**Hidden Humour**

A young naval student was being put through the paces by an old sea captain.
"What would you do if a sudden storm sprang up on the starboard?"
"Throw out an anchor, sir," the student replied.
"What would you do if another storm sprang up aft?"
"Throw out another anchor, sir."
"And if another terrific storm sprang up forward, what would you do then?" asked the captain.
"Throw out another anchor, sir."
"Hold on," said the captain. "Where are you getting all those anchors from?"
"From the same place you're getting your storms, sir."

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Next week’s readings: Job 38:1-11, Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32; 2 Corinthians 6: 1-13, Mark 4: 35-41

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**WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE**

SUNDAY 20th *3rd Sunday after Trinity*

 8.00am Morning Prayer in church

 9.00am Parish Communion

10.15am Morning Worship on Zoom

5.00pm Team meeting in church

6.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Mon 21st 8.40am Morning Prayer in church

5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

8.00pm Monday Home Group on Zoom (contact Emma)

Tues 22nd *Alban, first martyr of Britain, c.250*

8.40am Morning Prayer in church

 2.00pm Silent Prayer on Zoom (contact Katrina)
5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Wed 23rd *Etheldreda, abbess, c.678 Ember Day*

8.40am Morning Prayer in church

9.30am Holy Communion

5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom and in church

7.30pm The Gospels: Session 4 – Luke (on Zoom)

Thurs 24th *Birth of John the Baptist*

8.40am Morning Prayer in church
11.00am Worship at Osbourne Court

1.00pm Wedding of Nick Brown and Chelsey Rowe

 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Fri 25th *Ember Day*

8.40am Morning Prayer in church

 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Sat 26th *Ember Day*

9.30am Morning Prayer in church

 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

SUNDAY 27th *4th Sunday after Trinity*

8.00am Morning Prayer in church

 9.00am Parish Communion

10.15am Morning Worship on Zoom

11.15am Parish Communion at Bygrave

5.00pm Community Sponsorship Team meeting on Zoom

6.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

‘Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?’