



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



“BUILDING WITH CHRIST”

First Sunday after Trinity
Worship on Sunday 6th 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/RzXwidzOq40>

10.15am Zoom Morning Worship

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

Meeting ID: 858 6513 7528

Passcode: 827152

11.15am Messy Church in church hall



Join us for socially distanced Messy, sitting in Family bubbles in the church hall. Craft, activities and family style worship. We can't provide a meal but you are welcome to bring your own snacks

6pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

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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 this week.*

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 352 Jesus is Lord!

Jesus is Lord!

Creation's voice proclaims it,
for by his pow'r each tree and flow'r
was planned and made.

Jesus is Lord! The universe declares it;
sun, moon and stars in heaven cry:

Jesus is Lord!

*Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!
Praise him with alleluias
for Jesus is Lord!*

Jesus is Lord!

Yet from his throne eternal
in flesh he came to die in pain

on Calv'ry's tree.

Jesus is Lord! From him all life proceeding,
yet gave his life as ransom
thus setting us free. [Refrain]

Jesus is Lord!

O'er sin the mighty conqu'ror,
from death he rose and all his foes
shall own his name.

Jesus is Lord! God sends his Holy Spirit
to show by works of power
that Jesus is Lord. [Refrain]

The Collect

O God,

the strength of all those who put their trust in you,
mercifully accept our prayers
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature
we can do no good thing without you,
grant us the help of your grace,
that in the keeping of your commandments
we may please you both in will and deed;
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 Genesis 3:8-15

NOT USED IN OUR WORSHIP

⁸They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, 'Where are you?' ¹⁰He said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.' ¹¹He said, 'Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?' ¹²The man said, 'The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.' ¹³Then the LORD God said to the woman, 'What is this that you have done?' The woman said, 'The serpent tricked me, and I ate.' ¹⁴The LORD God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. ¹⁵I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.'

Psalm 130

Up from the depths I cry to God: O listen, Lord, to me;
O hear my voice in this distress, this mire of misery.

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9.00AM SERVICE

*I wait for God with all my heart, my hope is in his word:
and more than watchmen for the dawn, I'm longing for the Lord.*

If you, my God, should measure guilt who then could ever stand?
But those who fear your name will find forgiveness from your hand. [Refrain]

O Israel, set your hope on God whose mercy is supreme:
the nation mourning for its sin he surely will redeem. [Refrain]

The New Testament Reading 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture – ‘I believed, and so I spoke’ – we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. ¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. ¹⁹For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

The Gospel Mark 3:20-end

²⁰The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his companions could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, ‘He has gone out of his mind.’ ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, ‘He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.’ ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, ‘How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. ²⁸Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin’ – ³⁰for they had said, ‘He has an unclean spirit.’ ³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, ‘Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.’ ³³And he

replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.'

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

Barley Rise, Chauncy Gardens, Maltings Close, Yeomanry Drive, Clothall Corner

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

Arthur Thame

Those whose anniversary of death is remembered this week

Gwen Craft, Margaret Dilley, Kate Watkins, Walter Eatly

Post Communion

Eternal Father,
we thank you for nourishing us
with these heavenly gifts:
may our communion strengthen us in faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymn 281 He who would valiant be

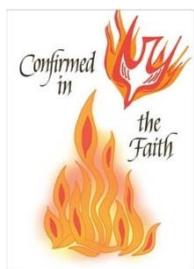
He who would valiant be
'gainst all disaster,
let him in constancy
follow the Master. There's no
discouragement
shall make him once relent
his first avowed intent
to be a pilgrim.

Since, Lord, thou dost defend
us with thy Spirit,
we know we at the end
shall life inherit.
Then fancies flee away!
I'll fear not what men say,
I'll labour night and day
to be a pilgrim.

Who so beset him round
with dismal stories,
do but themselves confound –
his strength the more is.
No foes shall stay his might,
though he with giants fight:
he will make good his right
to be a pilgrim.

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 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.



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 is on Thu 10th June at 7.30pm (Zoom)
The next Bygrave PCC meeting is on Tuesday 15th June at 7.30pm

Eco Tip Trinity I: Why not spend 10 minutes standing or sitting in a garden / countryside and noticing and appreciating how many birds, insects and other creatures you see and hear- it is amazing how much we miss while rushing around. Check out this website too <https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/>

Hidden Humour

The oldest computer can be traced back to Adam and Eve. It was an apple with extremely limited memory. Just one byte. And then everything crashed.

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>

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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.

News sheets are now available at the back of church on Sunday mornings and during the week.

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

SUNDAY 6 th	<i>1st Sunday after Trinity</i> 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 (not in church)
Mon 7 th	5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom 8.00pm Monday Home Group on Zoom (contact Emma)
Tues 8 th	<i>Thomas Ken, bishop, nonjuror, hymn writer, 1711</i> St Mary's Schools return after half-term 2.00pm Silent Prayer on Zoom (contact Katrina) 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
Wed 9 th	<i>Columba, abbot, missionary, 597</i> 8.40am Morning Prayer in church 9.30am Holy Communion 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom and in church
Thurs 10 th	8.40am Morning Prayer in church 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom 7.30pm FOSM Committee meeting
Fri 11 th	<i>Barnabas the Apostle</i>
Sat 12 th	<u>8.45am</u> Morning Prayer in church 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom and in church
SUNDAY 13 th	<i>2nd Sunday after Trinity</i> 8.00am Morning Prayer in church 9.00am Parish Communion in church 10.15am Morning Worship on Zoom 11.15am Family Worship at Bygrave 6.00pm Food4Life Youth Communion Service

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Next week's readings: Ezekiel 17:22-end, Psalm 92:1-4, 12-end, 2 Corinthians 5:6-10
[11-13]14-17, Mark 4:26-34