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

*“BUILDING WITH CHRIST”*

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Worship on Sunday 7th August 2022

**8am****Communion (traditional words)**

*A simple peaceful start to the day. The service will take place at the High Altar. Reverend* *Robert Evens will be leading and preaching today.*

**9.30am****Parish Communion & Baptism**

Today we welcome Louella Sykes into our church family as she is baptised during the service, at which Reverend Robert Evens will be leading and preaching.

If you do not wish to be visible on the streaming service please sit in the north aisle of the church nearest the organ. The camera does not capture anyone receiving communion.

**Share in Parish Communion in your own home**

 Take part online either at 9.30am on Sunday or any time during the following week, click on this link: <https://youtu.be/P1hiVdYSI7U>

**11.15am****Morning Piano Recital (free admission)**

Jill Crossland will be performing pieces from Bach, Scarlatti and Brahms on the grand piano. Refreshments will be served beforehand.

**Please note that there are no services at Bygrave in August**

*Evening Prayer is Zoomed on the days in Week at a Glance (use the link below).*

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

Meeting ID: 811 8837 0718 Passcode: 188423

*You are warmly invited to join the group of people who find this a valuable anchor for the day.*

**Next Sunday’s worship** 14th August 2022

8.00am Communion

9.30am Parish Praise!

**Prayers and readings for this Sunday**

**Hymns:**

70 - Be thou my vision

901 - This little light of mine

615 - Spirit of the Living God

340 - Jerusalem the golden

511 - O Lord, my God

**The Collect**

Lord God

Your Son left the riches of heaven

and became poor for our sake

when we prosper, save us from pride,

when we are needy, save us from despair,

that we may trust in you alone

through Jesus Christ our Lord, **Amen**

**The Gospel Matthew 19 : 13-15**

13Then little children were being brought to Jesus in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them; 14but Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.’ 15And he laid his hands on them and went on his way.

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

South Road, Laxton Gardens, Walnut Avenue, South Close, Convent Gardens,

South Lodge Mews.

Those in need of healing:

Paula Conder, Penny and Douglas Mitchell, Peter Harris, Oliver Britton, Martin Reed, Martyn Gray, Tracy Copping, Karen Kynman, Shaun Trussell, Andy Ball,

Jeanette Jackson, Stuart Hodges, Nicky Bull, Daniel Muir, Laurie Browne.

Those who have died recently:

 Pearl Dawkins

Those whose anniversary of death is remembered this week

Ron Crumpholt, Yvette Murrell, Peggy White, Vera Dear, Anne Taylor, David Manning

**Post Communion**

Holy Father,

who gathered us here around the table of your Son

to share this meal with the whole household of God:

in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace,

gather people of every race and language

to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

I would like to say a great big thank you for the very generous gifts that you gave me as I left St Mary's to begin my curacy at St Thomas'. I was blown away and feel very undeserving of them.  The home communion set will always remind me of you all and of the place where the Eucharist came alive to me in a new way, thanks to Father Andrew, and I plan to use the money to pay for my cassock alb, which I will wear when I am leading or preaching at St Thomas'. I would also like to thank you all for the support and love that you have given me since I arrived at St Mary's - without you all I would not be where I am today; God knew what he was doing when he brought me to Baldock! Please continue to pray for me, as I pray for you and please don't become strangers as I am still living in the parish. With love and grateful thanks, Emma x



Do join us for an **All Age Climate service:" Water of Life" on 14 August at 09:30.** Celebrate God's creation, see how important water is and think about how we can play our part in tackling the Climate Crisis!

**Sunday 4 September 12-2pm Family's Hands-On Eco Event** with David Chandler from A Rocha, the environmental Christian Charity who run the Eco Church scheme of which we are part (and going for our silver award). Come along for food and Eco fun as we all discover how important it is to care for all of God's creation as we seek to combat Climate Change.

**Bike ‘n Hike – Saturday 10th 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. 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

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.

**Hidden Humour**

If Mary had Jesus, and Jesus is the lamb of God, does that mean Mary had a little lamb?

**WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE**

SUNDAY 7th *8t*h *Sunday after Trinity*

 8.00am Holy Communion (Reverend Robert Evens)

 9.30am Parish Communion and Baptism of Louella Sykes (Reverend Robert Evens)

 11.15am Morning Piano Recital by Jill Crossland (free admission)

Mon 8th *Dominic, priest, founder of the Order of Preachers, 1221*

 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Tues 9th *Mary Sumner, founder of the Mothers’ Union, 1921*

 11.00am Memorial service for Pearl Dawkins RIP

2.00pm Silent Prayer on Zoom (contact Katrina)

Wed 10th *Laurence, deacon, martyr, 258*

 9.30am Holy Communion (Reverend Robert Evens)10.30am Tiny Tots

4.45pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Thurs 11th *Clare of Assisi, founder of the Poor Clares, 1253*

 5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

SUNDAY 14th *9t*h *Sunday after Trinity*

 8.00am Holy Communion

 9.30am Parish Praise! (Katrina Nice)

 3.00pm Baptism of Savannah Few, Camilla Vary and Rhys Giles

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Next week’s readings: Isaiah 55: 6-13, John 7 :37-38

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**Eco Tip Trinity 8:** If you use a steamer for your veg (especially greens or beans) or even just a sieve above the pan you are cooking your potatoes or pasta in and cover with a lid, you get tastier veg and only use one ring to cook, saving money on gas/electric!

14Jesus said, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.’