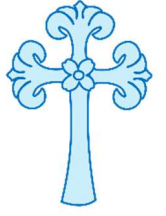


**St. Mary the Virgin, Baldock.**  
**St. Margaret of Antioch, Bygrave.**  
*“Growing in Love”*



**Trinity Sunday**  
Worship on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026

**8.00am Holy Communion**

A simple, peaceful start to the day, taking place at the High Altar. Revd Phillipa Maddox will be leading and preaching.

**9.30am Parish Communion**

Revd Phillipa Maddox will be leading and preaching at our worship.

**6.00pm Trinity Sunday Choral Evensong**

Do join us in front of the high altar to pause, reflect and enjoy beautiful music led by our church choir.

*Evening Prayer and Silent (Contemplative) Prayer are Zoomed on the days shown in Week at a Glance (use the link below for both). Everyone is warmly invited to these prayer sessions*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81188370718?pwd=MVVDelNMbEppRldBYnFpN0NwTlhhQT09>

Meeting ID: 811 8837 0718

Passcode: 188423

**Next Sunday's worship: 7<sup>th</sup> June 1<sup>st</sup> after Trinity**

8.00am Holy Communion (Revd Elizabeth Bunker)

9.30am Parish Communion (Revd Elizabeth Bunker)

11.30am Messy Church in the Church Hall (Lay Minister Katrina Nice)

**Giving to St. Mary's:** As part of our worship, there is an opportunity to make a cash or electronic donation towards the ministry of our church. Please consider becoming a regular supporter by joining the Parish Giving Scheme. See our website to find out how: <https://www.stmarysbaldock.org.uk/financial-giving/> or you can contact Parish Giving Scheme directly by telephone - 0333 002 1260.

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## Prayers and readings for this Sunday

**Hymns:** 286 Holy, holy, holy  
684 Thou, whose almighty word  
216 God is love, his the care  
238 Go forth and tell

### The Collect

Holy God,  
faithful and unchanging:  
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,  
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,  
that we may truly worship you,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

### Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40.12–17, 27–end

- <sup>12</sup> Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand  
and marked off the heavens with a span,  
enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure,  
and weighed the mountains in scales  
and the hills in a balance?
- <sup>13</sup> Who has directed the spirit of the Lord,  
or as his counsellor has instructed him?
- <sup>14</sup> Whom did he consult for his enlightenment,  
and who taught him the path of justice?  
Who taught him knowledge,  
and showed him the way of understanding?
- <sup>15</sup> Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket,  
and are accounted as dust on the scales;  
see, he takes up the isles like fine dust.
- <sup>16</sup> Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,  
nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering.
- <sup>17</sup> All the nations are as nothing before him;  
they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.
- <sup>27</sup> Why do you say, O Jacob,  
and speak, O Israel,  
'My way is hidden from the Lord,  
and my right is disregarded by my God'?
- <sup>28</sup> Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,

the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
<sup>29</sup> He gives power to the faint,  
and strengthens the powerless.  
<sup>30</sup> Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted;  
<sup>31</sup> but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.

### **The Psalm: Psalm 8**

With wonder, Lord, we see your works  
we see the beauty you have made;  
this earth, the skies, all things  
that are in beauty made.

With wonder, Lord, we see your works  
and childlike in our joy  
we sing to praise you, bless you,  
Maker, Lord of everything.

All you have made is ours to rule,  
the birds and beasts at will to tame,  
all things to order  
for the glory of your name.

### **The Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20**

<sup>16</sup> Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.'

### **Post Communion Prayer**

Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,

that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever. **Amen**

This week, please remember in your prayers these areas of our parish: Icknield Way  
East; Arbury Place; Mallard Court; Bramley Close; Sation Road; Clothall Road;  
Roman Lane

\*Those in need of healing: Paula Conder, Nicky Bull, Phil Charsley, Helen Holford,  
Lorraine Northern, Muriel Peterson, Rosie Bell, Andy Ball, Dave Chadwick, Joan  
Brasier, Lynda Mills, Rachael Evan-Hart, David Sellick

Those who have died recently: Jennifer Walker, George Austin

Those whose anniversary of death is remembered this week: Erling Hoeg;  
Mary Eastwick; Frank Lawton; Mavis White; Andy Crombie; Joan Walker; Norman  
Holmes; Gwen Craft

*\* Please let Revd Phillipa know if you would like your name to remain for longer than 1 month.*

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**9am – 9.05am: Pre-service Prayer Meeting in the Trinity Chapel** – all are  
welcome to join us as we pray for the spiritual and numerical growth of our church.

### **A Prayer for Growth**

God of Mission,

Who alone brings growth to St Mary's and St Margaret's

Send your Holy Spirit to give

Vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

Joy to our worship

And power to our witness.

Help our churches to grow in numbers,

In spiritual commitment to you,

And in service to our local community.

**We pray especially on Trinity Sunday for an increase in the power of the  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit in our lives in our journeys of faith.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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## **NEWS & EVENTS**

**Bible Study groups** - You are welcome to join us on a Sunday 7-8.30pm or Monday  
1.30-3pm. Both groups meet on a fortnightly basis. Please contact the church office for  
more information.

**Mobility Scooter Available** - David Morgan has a mobility scooter available free of charge for anyone who would find it useful. It's a basic type called an Apex Rapid Boot Transportable Ultra-Light Folding Scooter. It is ideal for short journeys into town and can be easily folded for transport in a car boot. Range is about 13 miles. If you are interested please contact David (Church Warden) on 07974913041 or [Churchwarden@stmarysbaldock.org.uk](mailto:Churchwarden@stmarysbaldock.org.uk)

**Deanery News** – Junes issue now available – lots of events in our Churches!

**Big Walk for St Mary's Church Hall update:** Leg seven of the Hertfordshire Way Walk took place on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May. If you'd like to join the next walk please sign up by emailing: [baldockbigwalk@gmail.com](mailto:baldockbigwalk@gmail.com). To sponsor the walkers, please click this link: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/big-hertfordshire-walk>

**North Herts Pride Picnic** on Windmill Hill, Hitchin on Saturday 6th June and Pride Day with stalls and community groups on Saturday 22nd August. For more information contact [Katiespride3@gmail.com](mailto:Katiespride3@gmail.com)

**Bug and Bloom Hunt! - Saturday 6 June at 1:30 - 3:30** As part of Churches Count on Nature and Great Big Green Week, come and help us discover what loves our Bee and Butterfly Garden, next to the Church Hall! All ages welcome. More info from Katrina.



**Messy Church - Sunday 7 June at 11.30am - 1pm.** All are welcome to join us for Craft, short Worship, Food and Fun for all the family looking at the story of Moses and the Burning Bush. Please let us know if you can come by emailing [messychurchbaldock@gmail.com](mailto:messychurchbaldock@gmail.com) so we can cater well.

**Knights Templar School are holding a Preloved Uniform Sale** on Saturday, 27 June 2026 9am – 12pm and Thursday, 9 July 2026 (Transition Day) 15:00 onwards.

**Eco Tip:** When the weather is very hot, it helps to keep your curtains/blinds closed on the sunny side of your house/flat and keep windows shut during the day, only opening up once it is cooler in the evening.

**Bible Quiz:** Where in the Bible can the Holy Trinity be seen working together? (1 point per example, up to 5 points)

## WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE



Sun 31st May	<i>Trinity Sunday</i>
	8.00am Holy Communion (Revd Phillipa Maddox)
	9.30am Parish Communion (Revd Phillipa Maddox)
	6.00pm Trinity Sunday Choral Evensong (Revd Phillipa Maddox)
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> June	<i>Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth</i>
	10.30am Magdalene Court service
	5.00pm Silent Prayer on Zoom
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00am Tiny Tots in church
	11.15am Holy Communion (Revd Elizabeth Bunker)
	4.00pm Growing Voices children's singing club – all welcome
Thu 4 <sup>th</sup>	5.00pm Evening Prayer on Zoom
	6.45pm Choir Practice
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	<i>Boniface (Wynfrith), bishop, martyr, 754</i>
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	1.30pm Bug and Bloom Hunt in the Churchyard Bee Garden
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	<i>1st Sunday after Trinity</i>
	8.00am Holy Communion (Revd Elizabeth Bunker)
	9.30am Parish Communion (Revd Elizabeth Bunker)
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Next week's readings: Genesis 12:1-9, Psalm 33:1-12, Romans 4:13-end,  
Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26

Jesus said "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age"