

ALL SAINTS'



This week's Newsbulletin

All Saints' Welcomes Everyone



Our North Porch Today

Words from Bishop Alan

Dear friends,

As we enter the season of the Epiphany we also enter a third national lockdown.

In the second chapter of Matthew's Gospel we read how God guides the magi as they follow a star. In his epic poem Christmas Oratorio, W H Auden describes the arduous journey:

*The weather has been awful,
The countryside is dreary,
Marsh, jungle, rock; and echoes mock,
Calling our hope unlawful*

Despite the suffering, the Magi are led to Bethlehem, to kneel before Christ, where they are 'overwhelmed with joy'.

My prayer is that we too will know God's light guiding us this Epiphany and that we will be strengthened and encouraged during these challenging times.

Jo continues

This Sunday we will be celebrating the Baptism of Christ, the first Sunday after the Epiphany, and as we read this passage we realise how much it has to teach us about the need for a fresh start, repentance, new things, the Spirit of God, a vital and encouraging message for us all at this difficult time.

Please join us either in Church or on Zoom at 10.00 on Sunday January 10th and at Morning Prayer on Zoom on Tuesdays and at the Eucharist on Thursdays at 11.00am .

During this third lockdown, please don't hesitate to give me a ring on 01992 584 899 or Nerine Chalmers on 01992 504893 or Janet Bird on 01992 587544.

We would be very pleased to hear from you and we can also arrange a regular phone call from our team or include you as part of our pastoral phone call team.

Life can be lonely at the best of times but we may find this lockdown particularly difficult.

We are starting an All Saints WhatsApp group and would love you to join:
The two WhatsApp groups are:

1.Hertford All Saints Info

On this we share details of services, zoom links, some blog posts, prayers, short inspirational pieces
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/BmSelnDYPZeKr9kwOY2GGM>

2.Hertford All Saints Chat

On this we share news, and just keep in touch informally.
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/EojbX3Nrnj9BwwfFCxgMu6>

Download WhatsApp Messenger from the Apple App Store or from the Google Play Store.

Love, Jo

Sunday 10th (Baptism of Christ)

10.00 Family Eucharist in Church

10.00 Family Service on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81903220728>

Meeting ID: 819 0322 0728

Tuesday 12th (Aelred)

11.00 Morning Prayer on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88015708219>

Meeting ID: 880 1570 8219

Thursday 14th

11.00 Holy Communion in Church

'Zoom'-ing by 'phone

Call 0203 051 2874, 0203 481 5237, 0203 481 5240 or 0131460 1196 and use meeting id followed by #

Pictures from our Churchyard:



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