

ALL SAINTS'



ALIVE

All Saints' Welcomes Everyone

Dear friends,

Spring is a time of promise and in a troubled world where there doesn't seem much to be cheerful about, we need to be even more aware of what is good in our lives. Families, friends, and the opportunities to enjoy time spent with others are all so important to keep us centred. Making the most of any opportunities or challenges which are presented to us can help both our mental and physical wellbeing. Making the most of the facilities we have in Hertford to enjoy nature, either in our gardens if we have them or in the Castle grounds, Hartham Common or Panshanger Park can lighten our mood and help us to enjoy the beauty of God's wonderful creation, especially as the daylight hours are getting longer.

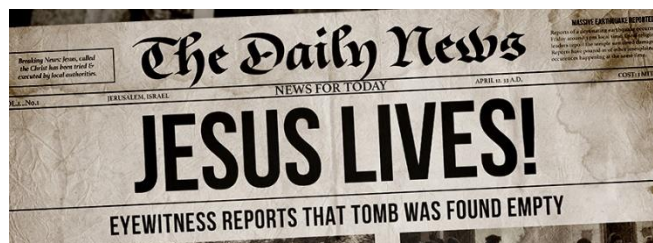
All this is in stark contrast to the horror and grief that we see on the TV news and in our newspapers. So, whilst we give thanks for all that is good we also need to pray for peace in this very troubled world and an end to the suffering and bloodshed in so many places.

At All Saints we look forward to a new beginning in the life of our church. As we await the appointment of a new vicar, who we hope will lead us on our continuing journey of faith, we need to continue reaching out to the people of this parish who need our help and support and to share the love of Jesus with all who are yet to know Him. We are hoping that the role will be advertised within the next couple of weeks and that candidates will be able to be interviewed within the next couple of months.

If our church is to grow, we all need to fully support our next incumbent and be prepared to accept challenges as we embrace diversity and encourage people of all ages to feel welcome. Nobody is a stranger; we are all children of God.

At our APCM on 28th April we have the chance to begin a new chapter in the life of our PCC when we hope that more people

will feel able to put themselves forward to support all that needs to be done to grow the love of God in this place and to maintain this very special building.



Of course, Easter is the perfect time to think about rebirth when we consider the horror of Jesus death on the cross followed 3 days later by the wonder of his glorious resurrection. When I asked some children recently what was most important about Easter one or two said Easter eggs, one said love but most of them said Jesus. When we proclaim the risen Christ on Easter Sunday and renew our baptismal vows, we are offering ourselves and our lives in the service of God and proclaiming our love for Jesus. A love that we are called to share not only with words but by action as we follow Jesus in our service to God and in the way we love, support and encourage one another.

On Easter Sunday the clocks will be going forward one hour – so please don't be late for church!

May God's love be with you all, this Easter and always.

Janet

APCM/Electoral Roll

This year's Annual Meetings will be held on Sunday 28th April. There will be a short Annual Meeting of Parishioners at 11.30, open to all, followed by the Annual Parish Meeting. To vote at the latter you must be on the Electoral Roll.

If you are not yet on the Electoral Roll and wish to join it, please speak to Martin Penny, our Electoral Roll Officer.

Easter Flowers

Flowers in church at Easter in memory of loved ones have always been special. Your donations are always appreciated and are a great help in making our church look its very best on Easter morning.

If you would like to make a donation this year Dorothy Toyn or the Churchwardens would be pleased to receive your gift.

The XMAS TREE CROSS will be decorated on Easter Day. Please remember to bring a flower on Easter Day, Sunday 31st March

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Support for carers

We're thrilled to announce that we've begun recording some of our popular sessions and posting them on our website. Whether unpaid carers are looking to enhance their fitness or delve into intriguing topics, our videos offer a learning experience that they can access any time that suits them. As a result of carers' feedback, we will slowly but surely be adding more of our workshops over the next few months.

You can see all our learning videos here: <https://www.carersinherts.org/resources/activities-to-do-at-home/>

All our events are free for unpaid carers registered with Carers in Hertfordshire. Please feel free to share this information with any unpaid carers you may know.

Upcoming events

Click this link to download our full list of learning opportunities: [Full List for March 2024 onwards](#) or [Full List for March 2024 onwards in LARGE print](#).

For enquiries about any of our courses and workshops, please email

learning@carersinherts.org.uk or call us on 01992 58 69 69.

Kind regards,

The Carers Development and Learning Team

UKRAINE – ALFS

Coffee Morning 10-12 Friday April 5th

Tina Banks is just back from her latest visit to Ukraine. This time she was taken to Kherson, almost on the front line. Her description of conditions there is graphic. She is keen to talk about this to any groups and has organised another Coffee Morning in St. John's Hall when she will speak on Ukraine, and others could talk about their particular charity.

There appear to be only elderly grannies left in Kherson, no children, no military. It is still being bombed constantly, and intensively every night between 1 and 5 am while she was there - but this timing changes'. Russian observation drones hovering overhead are replaced by bomb drones if a gathering or some other target is spotted. Churches are all closed - as gathering places they are immediate targets

The format for the Coffee Morning in St. John's Hall, will be the same as for the last one; there will be puzzles to swap, free tea, coffee and cake. Tina will speak on her trip for about 30 minutes, at approximately 10.30.

HERTFORD YOUNG LIFE INTERNATIONAL PRESENTS

QUIZ NIGHT



18 MAY 2024 | 6.30PM - 9.00PM
COWBRIDGE HALL SG14 1PG

Compete for cerebral supremacy as you raise money for a great cause! Teams of up to 8 people. Hog roast (or veggie option) dinner and a bottle of wine for each team will be provided, but please bring any other drinks you would like. As part of the evening, we will be celebrating the work of Young Life International in Hertford, and you'll be invited to consider supporting the ministry in various ways.

Only £16!

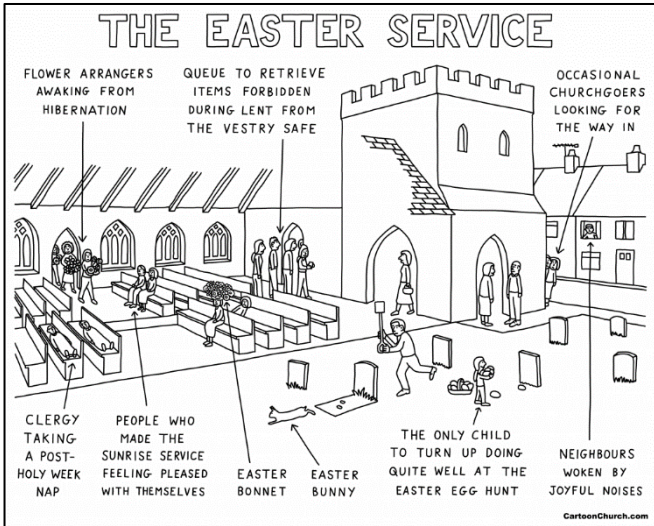
To register, please visit tinyurl.com/2024HertfordQuiz
OR Scan the QR Code



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St Alban's Easter Pilgrimage



You are invited to the Easter Monday Pilgrimage 2024. This year Easter Monday is Monday 1 April.

What is the Easter Monday Pilgrimage?

Every year hundreds of people from across the diocese and beyond journey together to St Albans Cathedral for an Easter celebration. Some walk from their home church, some drive or cycle, some walk or get a bus or lift-share from a hub church.

What happens when we get there?

We'll gather on the grass in front of the cathedral with picnics, before heading into the cathedral for an informal service of Holy Communion led by Bishop Jane, during which we'll sing together, and hear some excellent short Easter reflections. Dogs are welcome and most of us sit on the floor, although chairs are available if you'd prefer that.

When and where is it?

Gather from lunchtime onwards outside the cathedral. We'll start to move into the

cathedral from 2.30pm and the service will start at 3pm.



St JOHN'S HALL

A Warm and Comfortable, Family and Community Meeting Place.

St John's Hall is situated next to All Saints' Church and Abel Smith school.

It's a great facility for Fitness Clubs, Baby and Toddler Groups, Badminton Clubs, Family Parties, End of Season Sports Awards, Quiz Nights and Stage Performances.

It is set in a large green space, ideal for outdoor fun.

It has private parking and is also within easy reach of town parking.

It is in the centre of Hertford Town and close to Train and Bus Connections.

St John's Hall is for Hire at very reasonable Hire Rates.



For more information: www.stjohnshallhertford.org
St John's Hall - Churchfields, Hertford, Hertfordshire SG13 8AE




Hertford Choral Society presents

Vivaldi in Venice

An early evening concert of Baroque music

5.30pm, Saturday 27th April 2024
All Saints' Church, Hertford SG13 8AY

Programme: Vivaldi, *Gloria*
 Handel, *My heart is inditing*
 JC Bach, *Magnificat*

Conductor: Manvinder Rattan **Orchestra:** Serafine Sinfonia

Soloists: drawn from the choir

Tickets: £10 (all unreserved), students free


 Email: tickets@hertfordchoral.org.uk
 Online: www.ticketsource.co.uk
 (booking fee applies)
 In person: Hertford Town & Tourist Information Centre, 10-12 The Wash, Hertford SG14 1PX

For more information please visit www.hertfordchoral.org.uk







Hertford Choral Society
 Registered Charity No. 276220

Parish Diary April 2024

Monday 1st

3.00 pm Easter Pilgrimage Service at St Alban's Cathedral

Tuesday 2nd

11.00 am Funeral of Dorothy Day

Thursday 4th

11.00 am Morning Prayer

Friday 5th

10.00 am ALFS Coffee Morning in St John's Hall

Sunday 7th Second Sunday of Easter

10.00 am All the Family Service

6.30 pm Parish Communion

Thursday 11th (George Selwyn)

11.00 am Morning Prayer

7.30 pm All Saints Art

Friday 12th

5.30 pm Choir Practices

Sunday 14th Third Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Parish Communion

6.30 pm Choral Evensong

Thursday 18th

11.00 am Morning Prayer

7.30 pm All Saints Art

Friday 19th (Alphege)

5.30 pm Choir Practices

Saturday 20th

9.00 am Work Party

Sunday 21st Fourth Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Family Eucharist

6.30 pm Choral Compline

Thursday 25th (Mark)

11.00 am Morning Prayer

7.30 pm All Saints Art

Friday 26th

5.30 pm Choir Practices

Saturday 27th

5.30 pm Concert by Hertford Choral Society

Sunday 28th Fifth Sunday of Easter

10.00 am Parish Communion

11.30 am Annual Church Meetings

1.00 pm Bring & Share Lunch

6.30 pm Choral Evensong

MAY Wednesday 1st (Philip & James)

12.00 noon for 1.00 pm Start of Soundbites Summer Season

Thursday 2nd (Athanasius)

11.00 am Morning Prayer

Friday 3rd

5.30 pm Choir Practices

Saturday 4th (English Saints & Martyrs)

12.00 noon Visit by Essex Organists Association

Sunday 5th Sixth Sunday of Easter

10.00 am All the Family Service

6.30 pm Parish Communion

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