

# ALL SAINTS'



# ALIVE

All Saints' Welcomes Everyone

## Extra, extra!

This newsletter is being issued to highlight some important upcoming events. The 'normal' September edition will be published on or about September 6<sup>th</sup>. *Editor*

## The Vacancy – and beyond

### Thank yous

I would like to begin by thanking everybody for the support which you have given to Verity and I during the last 11 months since Jo presided at her last service at All Saints prior to her retirement.

Particularly, I want to thank Archdeacon Janet for taking our Christmas Services and for introducing us to Father Rob, Rev Selina, Rev Sue and Rev Mike. They stepped in to cover many of our Eucharistic services but also really fitted in by talking to everybody after the services and really caring about how we were getting on. We were also very grateful to Bishop Jane for covering Remembrance Sunday services, both at the War memorial and in church. Thanks to Rev Ysmena, Father Jake and Rev Marcus and also to Rev Bill Church who not only presided at Eucharistic services but also took on several weddings.

We were also very pleased to have support from several Readers who took non-Eucharistic services. It was a pleasure to see Geoff back at All Saints and we thank him for his support and also Lynne and Rachel. Finally thank you to Martin, our Lay Leader of Worship for ensuring that on many Thursday mornings, when no clergy were available he was there to take services of Morning prayer as well as covering a Family service when Colin and I were away.

### Rev Simon's Licensing

As you must all know by now Rev Simon Cutmore will be Licensed and Installed as Priest in Charge (Incumbent Designate) at All

Saints on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September. Thank you to all who have told us that they will be coming, but feel free to extend the invitation to any friends that you think might like to be there to welcome Simon and his family.



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

The Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council of All Saints' Church with St John, Hertford.

Invite you to the Licensing by the Rt. Revd Jane Mainwaring, Bishop of Hertford, and the Installation by the Venerable Janet Mackenzie, Archdeacon of Hertford, of the **Revd Simon Cutmore** as Incumbent Designate of All Saints' Church with St John, Hertford.

On Wednesday 4 September 2024 at 7.30pm.  
Please be seated by 7.15pm.

Reserved/ Disabled parking will be available in the churchyard. Further parking can be found at the Registry Office Car Park at County Hall or the Town Centre Car Parks at Gascoyne Way and St Andrew Street or adjoining streets.

Refreshments will be served after the service.  
To help with planning please RSVP: [wardens@allsaintshertford.org](mailto:wardens@allsaintshertford.org)

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PLEASE HOLD SIMON AND HIS FAMILY IN YOUR PRAYERS

After the service we are planning to offer refreshments, including wine and soft drinks and sweet and savoury nibbles. Verity, and I would be very grateful to receive offers of help at the service both to welcome visitors and to help provide and serve refreshments. If you feel able to help please let us know, together with details of any food you might be able to provide. We would ask you to provide either bite sized nibbles or traybakes or savoury treats which can easily be cut into squares for ease of serving.

### Getting ready

Prior to this very special service we would like to get together a group of volunteers to make sure the church is looking even better than usual. Luella and her wonderful family do a fantastic job keeping the church clean but there are a number of places around the church where we need to a bit more ruthless about tidying away or even removing items which have been hanging around for quite some time. If there is anything in the church that you particularly treasure please remove it before 30<sup>th</sup> August or better still come along on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August at 10.30 to help prepare the church for the exciting times ahead. Refreshments will be available!

## Getting to know you!

Rev Simon is very keen to meet as many members of All Saints as possible during his first few weeks with us and has asked if we can organise a number of meetings in people's homes where 6 to 8 people can gather for a cuppa or a glass of something and a chat. We therefore need a number of people to volunteer to host one of these meetings, together with details of when would be convenient so that we can put out a general invitation to people on the electoral roll. If you feel that you might be able to help please contact Verity or myself as soon as possible. We need venues all over Hertford and beyond as many of our members live outside the parish.

## Thank YOU

Finally, thanks to you all for helping to maintain everyday life at All Saints during the period of Vacancy. I can't possibly thank everybody individually but you all know just how much you have done to ensure that worship has carried on in our beautiful church and that not only have we prospered as a congregation but also continued with our wonderful outreach at Soundbites and special services. Our journey has been sustained by our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, our love for one another and our desire to take the word of God beyond the walls of our building. God bless you all.

Love, Janet

## Key Dates for early Sept

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am All the Family Service  
6.30 pm Parish Communion

### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> (Martyrs of Papua New Guinea)

9.00 am Organ Tuning

### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> (Birinus)

7.30 pm Licensing of Rev Simon Cutmore as Priest-in-Charge (Incumbent Designate)

### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>

11.00 am Holy Communion  
7.30 pm All Saints Art

### Friday 6<sup>th</sup> (Allen Gardiner)

5.30 pm Choir Practices

### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Parish Communion  
6.30 pm Choral Evensong



**Sponsored Bike 'n Hike**  
BEDS AND HERTS HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST

## 14 September 2024

As ever Dorothy and Martin (B) will be taking part and hope that some others might join them (and/or offer sponsorship). Kate Glover has taken up the challenge too, any more?

Half of the proceeds go to the Herts & Beds Historic Church Trust and half to All Saints.

More at <https://bedshertshct.org.uk/bike-n-hike/>

## Environment Climate Hope



Our All Saints Environment Day, Environment Climate Hope will be back on **September 21<sup>st</sup>**. This year we are emphasising the Hope aspect with five main speakers and over a dozen stalls. More detail on our website at <https://www.allsaintshertford.org/ech.php>

## Soundbites

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**Soundbites**

A Term-Time Series of Concerts on Wednesday Lunch-Times  
(Light Lunches served from 12noon for Concerts at 1.00pm)

**NEW SEASON STARTS WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2024**

**Trio Kagura**  
Music: Schubert - Piano Trio in B flat Major D.898

Free Admission with Retiring Collection in Aid of All Saints' Church

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The Autumn Season of Soundbites will commence on 25<sup>th</sup> September with a performance of Schubert's Piano Trio D,898, given by the Trio Kagura.