

The Parish of Mill End and Heronsgate with West Hyde
Fourth Sunday after Trinity: 13th July 2025

Welcome!

Hearing Loop - A hearing loop system is installed at St Thomas' and St Peter's Churches, please set your hearing aid to the 'T' setting. Large Print Service Booklets & pewsheets are also available – please ask the sidesperson if you would prefer one.

Gluten Free Wafers - Please let a sidesperson know if you require a Gluten Free communion wafer before the start of the service.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Ancient & Modern (A&M) 601

COLLECT: O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

NEW TESTAMENT READING: *Colossians 1:1-14*

¹Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, ²To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

³In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁴for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, ⁵because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, ⁶the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. ⁷This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, ⁸and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

⁹For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, ¹⁰so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. ¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

This is the word of the Lord

GRADUAL HYMN: A&M 271

GOSPEL READING: *Luke 10:25-37*

²⁵A lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' ²⁶He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' ²⁷He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' ²⁸And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

²⁹But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' ³⁰Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." ³⁶Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' ³⁷He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

OFFERTORY HYMN: A&M 466

COMMUNION HYMN: A&M 575

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: A&M 719

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.



Our churches have a candle lit, asking for the intercession of Blessed Mary for the people of Ukraine and all caught up in this conflict. The candles will remain lit and our prayers will continue whilst the war rages.

Diary for this week:

Mon 14th July

John Keble, priest, poet.

9.00am St Peter's School End of Year Service at St Peter's
8.00pm Symeons meet in the Parish Hall

Tue 15th July

Swithun, bishop

11.00am Care Home Service at Dapplemere

Wed 16th July

9.30am Said Eucharist at St Peter's
12.30pm Why Group lunch and discussion in the Parish Hall

Thu 17th July

Fri 18th July

Sat 19th July

Gregory, bishop & his sister Macrina, deaconess

Sun 20th July

Trinity 5

9.30am Sung Eucharist at St John's
9.30am Sung Eucharist at St Thomas'
11.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's followed by coffee in the Parish Hall

All items for inclusion in the weekly pewsheets must be forwarded to the parish office by Thursday morning at the latest.

A Prayer for Mark

As we look forward to a new season in the life of this parish let us pray for Mark and his family:

Lord, as we prepare to welcome our new vicar Mark, we pray for our continued nurturing, unity and fellowship within our parish.

May we be one in spirit, working together to spread your message of love and compassion.

May the Holy Spirit come upon Mark to inspire us all to live our faith with courage and joy, reaching out to our wider community and building your kingdom in this place.

We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen

St Thomas' Flower Festival – St Thomas's raised just over £600 from their Flower Festival. A big thank you to all those who supported the event - by arranging flowers, cooking cakes, helping on the day or just visiting.

The Why? Group – We meet fortnightly on a Wednesday, 12.30pm for a simple lunch, bible study and discussion. Next meeting, Wednesday 16th July. Enquiries via the Parish Office. All welcome, always

Junior Church - the next meeting will be Sunday 7th September, during the 11am Service at St Peter's; please encourage any families with children to come along and join in.

Pete's Café is back. After 3 successful 'taster' sessions, the café will return weekly in the Autumn Term on Monday 8th September. Opening hours will be 4-5.15pm, meeting in the Parish Hall. Are you available to come and help set up / serve drinks and snacks and be a listening ear for a young person? Helpers arrive from 3.15pm onwards for set up. Please contact Chris Walton if you want to sign up or know more: chrism.walton@btopenworld.com / 07931 717975.

Prayers:

For the **sick at home or in hospital**, especially those on our sick list – Noel MacFadden, Michael Ansell, Michelle Barrett, Duncan Woods, Hazel Clarke, Val Fear, Alison Sealy, Melanie Dixon, Oliver Talbot, Allan Moore, Rose Fulker, Michael Bowler, Marlene Tweedy, Lynsey Austin, Ben Austin, John Knibb, Alan Wills.

For the **repose of the souls of: Joyce Sones and those whose anniversaries fall at this time:** Phyllis Cole, Ellen Butler, Gladys Cassidy, Alan Briscoe, Frederick Cunningham, Eva Brown.

Please let us know if anyone is sick, in hospital, bereaved or in need of a visit. Elaine, Parish Office ☎01923 772785, 💻office.parish@btinternet.com (office open – Mon-Fri 9am-12pm) Web site: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/benefice/32-180BX/>

Do You Need Help? If you need help of any sort, no matter how small, please contact your Pastoral Care co-ordinators and they will put you in touch with someone who will do what they can to help you.

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