

Notices Sheet -13th July 2025

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This weekend's Bible readings: Galatians 4:1-7, 21-31 (p 1170) Luke 3:1-9 (p 1029)

Little Munden School Choir: The school choir will join us again for our service next week, just before they finish for the summer holiday. Please come along and make them and their parents welcome. That service will be morning worship rather than our usual communion service.

Choral evensong Stansteadbury 20th July: Our benefice choir will be joining with members of East Herts Church Choirs Association to sing the Patronal Festival Service of Evensong at St James' Church Sunday 20th July at 4pm. Michael and Marion will be leading the music. All are welcome.

Sunday lunch at the Star: Our next Sunday lunch will be on 27th July at 12.15pm at the Star in Standon. Please let Heather know by Monday 21st if you would like a place and your choice of main meal (07909 065560).

Concert Sunday 13th in Hunsdon Church: We have been asked to let you know that the A10 Strings will be performing a variety of classical music from 3pm on Sunday afternoon at Hunsdon Church, followed by summer refreshments. Donations are invited but not required, and all are welcome.

Holiday Bible Club: HBC will run from 26th to 29th August in St Mary's. Bookings are going well, but please spread the word. If you're willing to help, please speak to Caroline.

Services for the next few weeks:

Midweek services each week:

Tuesdays, 9.30am Wednesdays, 9.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP) & Bible study Morning worship & Bible study		St Catherine's St Mary's
Sunday services:			
13 th July	10.30 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
20 th July	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.30 am	Morning worship	All Saints
27 th July	10.30 am	All age worship	St Mary's
	6.00 pm	Choral evensong	St Mary's
3 rd August	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.30 am	Morning worship	All Saints
10 th August	10.30 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
17 th August	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.30 am	Morning worship	All Saints

Dates & meetings coming up

16 th July, 5.00 pm	Roger de Clare leavers' service	St Mary's
20 th July, 4.00 pm	Benefice choir singing evensong with EHCCA	St James, Stanstedbury
22 nd July, 1.15 pm	Little Munden School end of year service	All Saints
23 rd July, 12.30 pm	Midweek Music	St Mary's
28 th July, 2.00 pm	Funeral of Christopher Smith	St Mary's
6 th August, 2.15 pm	Libury Hall service	Libury Hall

Prayers:

On this sheet, we suggest focus areas for prayer, but please continue to pray for the work of our churches and missionary partners around the world (at www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7825/page/77358/view).

Church family news:

- Some of the ladies from our Bible group, M&Ms, will be attending a Quiet Day entitled 'Songs in the Key of Life' at St Mary's Hertingfordbury this Wednesday. This Spirituality day explores the link between contemporary song writers and the psalmists, both of whom express truths about life and our experiences of it. Please pray for them and for all who will attend.
- Please pray for all who are grieving, particularly for the family and friends of Bryan Algar and Chris Smith, and for Basma and her family as the grieve for Georgette, Basma's Mum.
- Please pray for Lainey and Gareth, who live in Dane End. Their baby, Alfred, was born last week too early to survive.
- Each week, there are people we know who are unwell but who prefer not to be named here. God knows who they are; please pray for them all.

Pray for our community

In our cycle of prayers, this weekend we ask you to include in your prayers:

- our local farmers, in these challenging times, due to the unusually hot and dry weather
- those in sourcing and distribution who make sure there is abundant food in our shops and markets
- our health care professionals, doctors, nurses, carers etc

Pray for our outreach, our service and our churches

This week we ask you to include in your prayers:

- all who organise and support various fundraising activities
- the builders, stonemasons and others working on our capital projects
- those who care for our churchyards

Pray for our mission partners

In our cycle of prayers for our mission partners, this week we ask you to remember the work of the Ellis Family. *Andrew leads the River of Life Church in Zimbabwe*. More information about our partners can be found on our website.

Please pray for:

- God's keeping and provision for their needs in the continually tougher economic and political situation
- the work of the continually growing River of Life Church, with wisdom in appointing new leaders
- the preparation for the Horizon Camps for young people in August, with provision for their needs, especially staff salaries
- their various family plans (more information on our website) including travel, and family gathering They send their thanks for our contact and prayers.

If you are aware of anyone who would like our prayers, or who would like the church family to share in some news, good or bad, please let Caroline know (caroline@ubsms.org.uk).

Regular notices

Groups in the Benefice

Mondays (2nd & 4th of month), 2.30pm: Reflections Bible study group at All Saints: contact Deborah

Tuesdays, 2:00pm (ad hoc): Benefice Group for World Mission prayer: contact Peter A.

Tuesdays, 7.30pm: Small group – Grace: contact John or Rebecca.

Wednesdays, 2.30pm (2nd Wednesday of the month)

7.00pm (4th Wednesdays): Small Group Marthas & Marys: contact Marion

Wednesdays (term time only): Children's and Young people's Bible clubs at All Saints: contact Deborah.

3.15 pm Primary aged children

5.30 pm Young people in school years 5-9 (monthly on second Wednesday of the month)

Thursday (3rd of each month), 2.00 – 4.00 pm: New Seasons support group: contact Heather

Thursdays, 7.00pm (term time only): Benefice choir practice: contact Michael (music@ubsms.org.uk)

Fridays 9.30 am (term time only): Little Angels for toddlers and their carers at St Mary's:

contact Cate (littleangels@ubsms.org.uk)

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You can make a donation directly to any of our churches, or you can send donations to any of our treasurers. Bank details are displayed in our churches and on the website.

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