

The Parish of Mill End and Heronsgate with West Hyde
Ninth Sunday after Trinity: 17th August 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) 813 *omit vs 7&8

COLLECT: Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

NEW TESTAMENT READING: *Hebrews 11:29-12:2*

²⁹By faith the people of Israel passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days.

³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets – ³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented – ³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

This is the word of the Lord

GRADUAL HYMN: A&M 304

GOSPEL READING: *Luke 12:49-56*

Jesus said to his disciples: ⁴⁹‘I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.’

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, ‘When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, “It is going to rain”; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, “There will be scorching heat”; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

OFFERTORY HYMN: A&M 232

COMMUNION HYMN: A&M 502

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: Holy Father, who gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: A&M 715



The Parish Wardens and Parochial Church Council of
The Parish Of Mill End and Heronsgate with West Hyde

Invite you to the Institution by the
Rt Reverend Jane Mainwaring, Bishop of Hertford
and Induction and Installation by the
Rural Dean of Rickmansworth, Reverend Canon Charles Burch
**of the Reverend Dr Mark Harris as
Vicar of Mill End and Heronsgate with West Hyde**

St Peter the Apostle, Mill End, Rickmansworth, WD3 7HQ
Monday 1st September 2025 at 7.30pm
Please be seated by 7.15pm

Refreshments will be served after the service

RSVP by Friday 16th August 2025
to the Parish Office:
office.parish@btinternet.com
01923 772785
leave a message if no answer

Clergy and Readers may robe -
please indicate in your
response if you wish to robe

✠ Please hold Mark and his family in your prayers ✠

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 18th August

8.00pm Symeons meet in the Parish Hall

Tue 19th August

11.00 Care Home Service at Dapplemere

Wed 20th August

9.30am Said Eucharist at St Peter's

Bernard, Abbot, teacher of the faith

Thu 21st August

Parish Office Closed

Fri 22nd August

Sat 23rd August

Sun 24th August

9.30am Said 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

Trinity 10

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

The Parish Office will be closed on Friday 22nd August for 1 day, back on Tuesday 26th as Monday 25th is a Bank Holiday.

Sunday 31st August (5th Sunday) there will be a Parish Service, 10.30am at St John's, Heronsgate. Parking will be available.

Mark's Licensing – Food. There is a list at the back of each church of food requirements for the reception after Mark's Licensing service. Please add your name if you are able to provide something, many thanks.

The Why? Group – We meet fortnightly on a Wednesday, 12.30pm for a simple lunch, bible study and discussion. We are taking a break for the summer, resuming on 3rd September. 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.

Sunday 28th September - Continuing our 'Celebrate 150' for the anniversary of St Peter's all are invited to a 'Celebration Afternoon Tea', 3pm on Sunday 28th September in the Parish Hall. We would also like to invite any past church members / clergy to this service. If you have any names of people who you think should be invited, please contact the parish office. Contact emails or addresses would also be useful.

Celebrating 1700 years of Nicene Creed – If you are interested in the background of the Council of Nicaea and the Nicene Creed then this bbc sounds piece may be worth a listen: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/m002gg86> it lasts around 40 minutes.

Shine Night Walk – many of you know Philip Hay and his sister Claire. They are taking part in this year's Cancer Research Shine Night Walk on Saturday 20th September. To donate visit: www.shorturl.at/tK7VW

Prayers: For **Jovie** being Christened in September.

For the **sick at home or in hospital**, especially those on our sick list – *Michael Ansell, Michelle Barrett, Duncan Woods, Val Fear, Alison Sealy, Melanie Dixon, Oliver Talbot, Allan Moore, Rose Fulker, Michael Bowler, Marlene Tweedy, Louise Humphrey, Jo Neal, Barbara Smith, Alice Fryer.*

For the **repose of the souls of: and those whose anniversaries fall at this time:** *Roy Underwood, Frederick Stevens, Joan Ayres, Godfrey Palmer, F.G. Halsey, Ivy Puddifoot, Abigail Norman.*

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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