

The Parish of Elstree & Borehamwood
All Saints * Holy Cross * St. Michael and
All Angels * St. Nicholas
"Four Churches, One Vision"
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Sunday, October 19th **TRINITY 18**

Welcome to Church. Today's services are:

9.15am	St Nicholas	Holy Communion	Fr Tom Baron
9.30am	Holy Cross	Holy Communion	Revd Louise Collins
9.30am	St Michael's	Service of the Word	Pat Clarke LLW
11.15am	All Saints	Service of the Word	Alana Davenport LLW
3.00pm	St Michael's	Hertsmere Civic Service	The Mayor's Chaplain

This Week ...

Monday, October 20th

9.30 am Morning Prayer @ All Saints

Thursday, October 23rd

9.30 am Morning Prayer @ St Nicholas

12.30-3.00 pm @ St Michael's Welcome Cafe

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

God, our judge and saviour,
 teach us to be open to your truth and to trust
 in your love, that we may live each day
 with confidence in the salvation which is
 given through Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We praise and thank you, O Christ,
 for this sacred feast: for here we receive you,
 here the memory of your passion is renewed,
 here our minds are filled with grace, and here a
 pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast
 at that table where you reign with all your saints
 for ever.
 Amen.

TODAY'S READINGS

Genesis 32.22-31

The same night, he got up and took his two wives,
 his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed
 the ford of the Jabbok. ²³He took them and sent
 them across the stream, and likewise everything
 that he had. ²⁴Jacob was left alone, and a man
 wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man
 saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck
 him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out
 of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said,

'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said,
 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' ²⁷So he
 said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said,
 'Jacob.' ²⁸Then the man* said, 'You shall no longer
 be called Jacob, but Israel,* for you have striven
 with God and with humans,* and have prevailed.'
²⁹Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your
 name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my
 name?' And there he blessed him. ³⁰So Jacob called
 the place Peniel,* saying, 'For I have seen God face
 to face, and yet my life is preserved.' ³¹The sun
 rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping
 because of his hip.

Psalms 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills —
 from where will my help come?

**My help comes from the Lord who made
 heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot be moved; he who
 keeps you will not slumber.

**He who keeps Israel will neither slumber
 nor sleep.**

The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your
 shade at your right hand.

**The sun shall not strike you by day, nor
 the moon by night.**

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will
 keep your life.

**The Lord will keep your going out and
 your coming in from this time on and
 forevermore.**

2 Timothy 3.14 -4.5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned
 and firmly believed, knowing from whom you
 learned it, ¹⁵and how from childhood you have
 known the sacred writings that are able to instruct
 you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶All
 scripture is inspired by God and is useful for
 teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for
 training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that everyone who
 belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for
 every good work. ⁴In the presence of God and of
 Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the
 dead, and in view of his appearing and his
 kingdom, I solemnly urge you: ²proclaim the
 message; be persistent whether the time is
 favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and
 encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching.
³For the time is coming when people will not put up
 with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they
 will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit
 their own desires, ⁴and will turn away from
 listening to the truth and wander away to myths.

⁵As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Luke 18. 1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, "In a certain city, there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city, there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" ⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

NEXT SUNDAY SERVICES, October 26 th		
St Nicholas	9.15am	Holy Communion
Holy Cross	9.30am	Holy Communion
St Michael's	9.30am	Holy Communion
All Saints	11.15am	Holy Communion

On Sunday, October 26th the clocks change. British Summer Time ends, and Greenwich Mean Time begins. The clocks go back one hour.

Coming Soon

Thursday, October 30th

'Warm Space, Hot Meals' – Volunteer Induction, 9.30am-11.30am. 1 or 2 more volunteers needed.

Monday, November 3rd – Start of the 'Warm Spaces, Hot Meals' scheme. See flyers.

Sunday, November 9th

Remembrance Sunday – see poster

Tuesday, November 11th

St Albans Abbey Evening Parish Pilgrimage, 7.15pm - 9.15pm. "Evening Pilgrimages offer a guided walk through the Cathedral, with historical insights, prayers and silence. They start in the Welcome Centre, and end with Compline by candlelight and a visit to the Shrine of St Alban."

Saturday, Nov 22nd – Parish Christmas Fair at St Michael and All Angels, 10.00am-3.00pm. Carols with Borehamwood Brass. Help needed leafletting beforehand / on the day. Setting up on Fri 21st at 6.30pm. We still need:

- Prizes for the Raffle (see Grace Silvera)
- Offers of cakes on the day (see Melita Lee)

Remembrance Sunday



Sunday, November 9th

Church Services with Prayers, Reflections and 2-Minute Silence:

9.15am St Nicholas Church, Elstree (Service of Holy Communion)

9.30am Holy Cross Church, Balmoral Drive, Borehamwood (Service of the Word)

9.30am St Michael and All Angels Church, Brook Road, Borehamwood (Service of the Word)

11.30am approx. All Saints Church, Shenley Road, Borehamwood (Civic Service of Remembrance, see below)

Civic Acts of Remembrance:

- At Elstree War Memorial, Elstree Hill, service starts at 10.40am
- At Borehamwood War Memorial, Shenley Road:
 - 10.30am Parade starts from Clarendon Road
 - 10.45am War Memorial Service
 - 11.00am Last Post and Silence
 - 11.10am Parade from War Memorial to All Saints Church for Service
 - 11.30am Civic Service of Remembrance at All Saints Church
 - 12.15pm Refreshments for all next door at No. 96 community hub



The Parish of Elstree and Borehamwood

**Parish Pilgrimage to
St Albans Abbey**

2025 Year of
Spiritual
Renewal &
Wellbeing

Tuesday, November 11th

7.15pm-9.15pm



Welcome to St Albans Cathedral

Meet at St Albans Abbey Cathedral Welcome Centre (the bookshop) at **7.15pm**.

Evening Pilgrimages offer a guided walk through the Cathedral, accompanied by historical insights, prayers, and silence. They start with light refreshment in the Welcome Centre, and end with Compline by candlelight and a visit to the Shrine of St Alban.

<https://www.stalbanscathedral.org/evening-pilgrimages>

Please book yourself online or let Revd Louise know a.s.a.p. or **by October 26th**, as there are limited places.

No charge, but a donation to the Cathedral is requested.

Carol Singing with Borehamwood Brass

Christmas Fair

Saturday, November 22nd
10.00am-3.00pm
St Michael and All Angels Church and Hall,
Brook Road, Borehamwood, WD6 5EQ
Refreshments, Stalls, Cakes, Gifts, Raffle ...
Free Entry