

APRIL **2026**
NEWSLETTER
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April Services

5th	9.30am	Holy Communion - Revd Jenna Dearden
12th	10.00am	All Age Worship - Helen Bardell (LL)
19th	9.30am	Holy Communion - Revd Jenna Dearden
26th	9.30am	Holy Communion - Revd Don Dowling

Our Regular Services:

9.30am	1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday
10.00am	2nd Sunday - All Age Worship
Morning Prayer	Every Wednesday at 9:15am

Deanery Synod Representative

At our APCM on 19th April, we will elect Lay Deanery Synod members for the triennium starting 1 July 2026. The role involves being a voice for the community within the regional church governance. Deanery Synod members also form the electorate for General Synod Elections, which will be held later in 2026. If you are interested in finding out more about the role, please have a chat to one of our current members - Elizabeth Overfield and Derek Ambler.

The Diocese of St Albans is delighted to welcome the appointment of The Right Reverend Dr Andrew Paul Rumsey as the next Bishop of St Albans. The nomination, approved by His Majesty the King, was announced by 10 Downing Street at 10am on Thursday 19 March. Bishop Andrew is currently the Suffragan Bishop of Ramsbury in the Diocese of Salisbury. The date of his installation will be advised later on this year. Read more in the Diocese website for the full announcement here <https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/about-us/next-bishop-of-st-albans/>.





QUIZ NIGHT

Teams of up to 6. Hot supper included

Friday 17 April 2026
7.00 pm for 7.30pm
at St Peter's Church



**RAFFLE &
BAR
on the
night**

Tickets £10 per person
Please confirm your team's
attendance with Mike on
07557 027707

**St Peter's
PCC**
(Parochial Church Council)



Due to our APCM and PCC meeting on the 19th April, an update will be made on our May meeting.



Jumping for Joy 2026



Sunday 8 February - Joseph

Friday 3 April - Easter

Sunday 24 May - Pentecost

Sunday 12 July - Moses

Sunday 20 September - Harvest

**Sunday 22 November - Advent
and Christmas**

All Welcome!

St Peter's Church, Church Lane, Arlesey, SG15 6UX



The **Linsdale Singers** from Leighton Buzzard presents

Choral Concert and Cakes

followed by Choral Evensong

A short afternoon concert of choral music celebrating springtime
Anthems • Madrigals • Partsongs • Song arrangements suitable for weddings

Sunday 26th April 2026

St Andrew's Church

Langford SG18 9QA

Concert at 3pm (for about an hour)

followed by tea and cakes with donations in aid of St Andrew's New Facilities Fund.
At 5pm the Linsdale Singers will sing **Choral Evensong** in the Church.
Entry to the service will of course be free and all will be welcome.

Concert tickets £10 (under 18s free)
in advance or at the door (cash or card)



Further details and advance tickets at
www.linsdale.org.uk (no booking fee)
or contact Sheila Vidler on
07887 368077



Parish Tea and Cakes

A friendly setting for
an extended

traditional English tea. Everyone's
welcome to join us. We meet every
first Wednesday of the month at
2:00pm in St. Peter's church.



CREAM TEAS

Sunday 12 April
2026

3pm - 5pm

Enjoy a sumptuous cream tea in the beautiful grounds of St Guthlac's Church

£6 - two scones, jam & cream, pot of coffee

(for £8 add a glass of Prosecco)

£1 - cake and a drink for children

Raffle and children's games



To reserve a place please call:
Julie on 07809 176379

St Guthlac's Church, Astwick Road, Hitchin, SG5 4BH

POSTPONED



Prayer Requests:

We are always praying for those who are ill, troubled or distressed, that they will be comforted and receive peace in their time of difficulty. First names only are read out at our Sunday worship service.

If you would like prayer for family or friends, please contact Revd Jenna on:
E: revjennadearden@gmail.com
T: 07708 666612

Unfortunately, our April Cream Teas event had to be postponed due to unforeseen issues. We're pleased to say it has now been rescheduled for Sunday 14th June, 2-5pm, when we hope to enjoy warmer weather. Details on booking a table, along with a new poster, will be available in May.

Upcoming dates for your Diary

APCM

Sunday 19 April 2026 at 11.00 am - Please stay and support this annual meeting.

Plant & Art Sale

Saturday 16th May. 10am. Note to Gardeners: We always appreciate donations of any home grown plants and cuttings.



Hope for Rural Churches Conference

Hope in a World of Change

Join us for a day of inspiration, discussion, workshops and worship. Open to anyone with a heart for their local rural church. We encourage parishes or benefices to attend as a group.

Saturday 6th June 2026, 9:30 to 4:30 at Putteridge Bury Conference Centre, Luton



If you would like anything included in the newsletter, please contact Bernadette: stguthlacastwick@aol.com by the 20th of the month.



Services in April

All Welcome!

Sunday 5th at 9.30 am

EASTER DAY Holy Communion

Sunday 12th at 10.00 am

All Age Worship

Sunday 19th at 9.30 am

Holy Communion (and APCM)

Sunday 26th at 9.30 am

Holy Communion

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For more information contact Revd Jenna Dearden
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