



Notices Sheet - 14th June 2026

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This weekend's Bible readings: Romans 5:1-8 (p 1132) Matthew 9:35-10:8 (p 974)

Streaming in St Mary's: If you might be interested in supporting our services by learning how to use the (very simple) streaming system in St Mary's, please speak to Marion, Angie, Michael or Caroline. It would be good to have another name or two on the rota.

Concert in All Saints 14th June: Victoria Smith, whose whole family has contributed in the past to our 'For One Night Only' concerts in All Saints, will be performing with other local young musicians in All Saints this Sunday afternoon at 3.00. This concert will count towards her Gold Arts Award. Entry will be free, with a retiring collection for the church. There will be refreshments served after the concert. Please come and support V if you can.

New Seasons 4th July: There will be a meeting of New Seasons bereavement group in Little Munden church on Saturday 4th July from 2pm until 4pm. If you have recently lost your partner or if it was many years ago please join us for an informal chat with a cup of tea and a piece of cake. If you would like more information please phone Heather on 07909 065550 or just come along on the day.

Midsummer Revels concert in St Mary's 20th June: Standon Sing, Rib Singers and Imperial Male Voice Choir will perform a picnic concert in St Mary's on Saturday 20th June at 4.00 pm. Entry is free, with a retiring collection for FOSM. Come along if you can, and bring a picnic to enjoy in the garden of Knight's Court during an extended interval.

Knitting for Kisiizi: Thank you to everyone who knits items to send to Kisiizi hospital. May we ask, please, that no more hats are knitted at the moment. Kisiizi still needs vests, especially the smaller size for prem babies. The patterns can be found in the folder by the wool basket. If you or anyone you know has some wool which you no longer need, please can you put it in this basket for our knitters. Please contact Diane on 01920821130 if you need it collecting.

Christianity Explored course: We are planning to run a Christianity Explored course in the autumn. This is a 7 session course, consisting of video clips, Bible study and discussion and is suitable for anyone interested in finding out more or refreshing their knowledge of what our Christian faith is about. It will take place on Sunday afternoons (apart from 4th Sundays) in September and October. If you or anyone you know is interested in taking part, or if you would like to help support the group, please speak to Caroline.

Holiday Bible Club 24th – 27th August: Caroline is collecting names of any who would like to help with the 2026 Holiday Bible Club, 'God's People and the Temple of the Rising Son'. The club runs from 10 – 3 on each of the four days; we meet for briefing and prayer at 9.30 each morning. If you can help on some or all of the days, please speak to Caroline.

Services for the next few weeks:

Midweek services each week:

Tuesdays, 9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP) & Bible study	St Catherine's
Wednesdays, 9.30 am	Morning worship & Bible study	St Mary's

Sunday services:

14 th June	10.30 am	Holy communion	St Mary's
21 st June	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.30 am	Holy Communion	All Saints
28 th June	10.30 am	Family worship	St Mary's
	6.00 pm	Choral evensong	St Mary's
5 th July	8.00 am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
	10.30 am	Morning worship	All Saints
12 th July	10.30 am	Holy communion	St Mary's

Dates & meetings coming up:

14 th June, 3.00 pm	V Smith concert	All Saints
20 th June, 4.00 pm	Midsummer Revels concert	St Mary's
24 th June, 12.30 pm	Midweek Music	St Mary's
29 th June, 11.30 am	Memorial service for Ann Smith	All Saints
1 st July, 2.15 pm	Libury Hall service	Libury Hall
4 th July, 2.00 pm	New Seasons group meeting	All Saints
15 th July, 5.00 pm	Roger de Clare leavers service	St Mary's

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 (details on our website).

Church family news:

- Please pray for those who are grieving, especially the family and friends of Ann Smith and Joan Penn.
- Please continue to pray for Sally, now in Westgate House in Ware. If you plan to visit, please liaise with Peter 01920 830614.
- Some of our church family members are undergoing treatment, or waiting for tests or procedures. They don't always choose to be listed here, but please pray for them; God knows who they are.
- Please pray for all who are unwell or in pain of any kind, or who are grieving.

Pray for our community

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

- our farmers as they work to supply our food
- environmental groups as they look out for our natural habitats
- those who walk our footpaths, collecting litter left by others

Pray for our outreach, our service and our churches

This week we ask you to include in your prayers:

- the plans for a Christianity Explored course in the autumn
- our outreach activities and the volunteers who make them possible
- the recruitment process, and the person God is preparing to serve here

Pray for our mission partners

In our cycle of prayers for our mission partners, this week we ask you to pray for the work of David & Marlene Fry in Austria. *David works for Mediaworks, part of OM East. Marlene volunteers at Oasis where she teaches German to refugees.* More information about our partners can be found on our website.

Please pray for:

- The translation of "The Gracious Father" booklets into Arabic & Farsi, and the production of a wordless version & an animation
- Discernment from the Board of MediaWorks about whether to acquire a suitable new building or renovate the current office
- Clear confirmation for a potential bookkeeper that MediaWorks is where God wants him to serve
- The refugees who go to Oasis and especially a Ukrainian lady who has asked Marlene to pray for her

- David's mum recovering from sepsis in a care home in Bath; may she soon be well enough to go home.

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 (dates vary – please ask), 2.30pm: Reflections Bible study group at All Saints: contact Jane

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

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

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

Wednesdays, 3.15 pm (term time only): Café & Children's Bible clubs at All Saints: contact Lizzie B.

Thursday (2nd of each month), 1.00 – 3.30 pm: Knit & Natter: contact Diane M

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 babies & toddlers and their carers at St Mary's:

contact Cate (littleangels@ubsms.org.uk)

Please Continue to Support our Churches

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

Gift aid forms are available from any of our treasurers.

Contacts:

Contacts during the vacancy: While we have no Rector, if you have any queries or concerns, please speak to any of our church wardens. If you know of someone who needs a visit, please liaise with Jacqui. We do have access to clergy who will help if needed, so please don't be put off raising a concern. Rebecca, our administrator, works flexible hours, but will respond to emails as soon as she can.

Rector: Until a new Rector is appointed, please direct any enquiries to our benefice administrator.

Administrator: Rebecca Legg benefice.administrator@ubsms.org.uk 07976 700902

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