

*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, June 14<sup>th</sup>  
TRINITY 2**



*Welcome to Church – Today's Services:*

<b>9.15am</b>	<b>St Nicholas</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>Revd Steven Young</b>
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Holy Cross</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>	<b>Anne Smith LLW</b>
<b>9.30am</b>	<b>St Michael's</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b>	<b>Pat Clarke LLW</b>
<b>11.15am</b>	<b>All Saints</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>Revd Steven Young</b>

### **PRAYER FOR THE DAY**

Faithful Creator,  
whose mercy never fails:  
deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living  
word, Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Loving Father,  
we thank you for feeding us at the supper  
of your Son: sustain us with your Spirit,  
that we may serve you here on earth until our joy  
is complete in heaven, and we share in the  
eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### **TODAY'S READINGS**

*Genesis 18.1-15*

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. <sup>2</sup>He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. <sup>3</sup>He said, "My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. <sup>4</sup>Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. <sup>5</sup>Let me bring a little

bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." <sup>6</sup>And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." <sup>7</sup>Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. <sup>8</sup>Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. <sup>9</sup>They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." <sup>10</sup>Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. <sup>11</sup>Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. <sup>12</sup>So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?" <sup>13</sup>The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' <sup>14</sup>Is anything too wonderful for the LORD? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son." <sup>15</sup>But Sarah denied, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. He said, "Oh yes, you did laugh."

*Psalm 116. 9-17*

I walk before the Lord in the land of the living.  
**I kept my faith, even when I said, "I am greatly afflicted."**

I said in my consternation, "Everyone is a liar."  
**What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?**

I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

**I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.**

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones.

**O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl.**

You have loosed my bonds.

**I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord.**

*Romans 5.1-8*

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup>through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. <sup>3</sup>And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, <sup>4</sup>and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,

<sup>5</sup>and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. <sup>6</sup>For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup>Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. <sup>8</sup>But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

*Matthew 9.9-13,18-26*

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. <sup>10</sup>And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup>When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>12</sup>But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup>Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."<sup>18</sup>While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." <sup>19</sup>And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup>Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup>for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." <sup>22</sup>Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. <sup>23</sup>When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup>he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup>But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup>And the report of this spread throughout that district.

### *The Archdeacon's Visitation*

The Archdeacon's Visitation Service is on **Sunday, June 28th at 5.00pm at Holy Cross Church, Borehamwood.** Do come and support our newly elected Churchwardens as they are 'sworn in'.

### *'Be-loved Borehamwood'*

'Be-loved Borehamwood' is a church disco for adults with additional needs. Coming soon to a church near you! If you are interested in joining the planning group, please contact Revd Steven.

### *This Week...*

**Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am Morning Prayer at All Saints

**Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**

10.00am Holy Communion and Open Church at St Nicholas

**Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>**

- 9.30 am Morning Prayer at St Nicholas
- 12.00-3.00pm Welcome Café, St Michael's

**Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>**

12.00am-2.00pm Holy Communion and Open Church at All Saints

**Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>**

4.45pm Evensong at All Saints + Cream Teas

### *St Michael's Summer Fair*

St Michael's thanks everyone who made this year's Summer Fair so special. The takings which go to church funds were £766.98. Well done everyone!

### *Parish Summer Events*



### *Next Week's Service*

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**PARISH SERVICE**

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY**

*Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 10.00am*

**At St Michael and All Angels,  
Brook Road, Borehamwood**

*Followed by Coffee*

**(Please note, there are no Sunday morning services today at All Saints, Holy Cross, or St Nicholas)**