

NOTICE SHEET for SUNDAY 2nd AUGUST 2026

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‘God’s love at the heart of all our activities and communities’

CHRIST CHURCH & ST MARK’S, WATFORD

9th Sunday after Trinity

READINGS Romans 9.1-5; Matthew 14.13-21

SERVICES 9.30am Holy Communion at St Mark’s, with Ian Pankhurst.

11.00am Holy Communion at Christ Church, with Ian Pankhurst.

For your monetary offerings, there is a plate and a card reader at the back: for help please ask. Alternatively, for regular giving: The bank account details are below for those wanting to set up a regular standing order. Could you let Vicki know if you intend to do so and are able to Gift aid too. CHRISTCHURCH Watford PCC COOP account SORTCODE: 089078 Acct no: 50018550.

Christ Church Car Park Management System: Register Your Car.

Please remember to enter your car registration number into the tablet located either in the church or in the hall.

Please note that if this is not done you will be fined by the parking company.

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.

FOR PRAYER AND PRAISE:

- Revd Jess Batten, due to be licenced as our Priest-in-Charge on September 3rd.
- **Those who are unwell or who need prayer:** Kimbra Jordan; Michelle’s Mum and Dad; Ollie; Parvesh; Portia; Rony; Pauline McCutcheon; Sylvia; Pat M.; Marc; Heidi; Emma; Deloris; Angela; Stephen; Laura Chappell; Mandy; Caroline H.
- **People of the Parish:** those living in Oakdene Road; Hazel Tree Road; Foxhill.
- **Businesses operating in:** Odhams Industrial Estate; Leggatts Close; Courtlands Drive.
- **Local organisations:** St Albans Friends of Palestine; South Herts Credit Union.
- **Our Link Churches abroad:** Bishop Wilson Kamani and the Diocese of Ibba, South Sudan; and The Christian community at Kwa Mkono, Tanzania.

Wednesday Circle on August 19th.

By popular request, our very own Andrew Chappell has agreed to give an updated version of his "Old pubs of Watford" presentation. A very interesting talk.

Everyone welcome at St Marks church at 2.00 pm.

Just £2.00

Contact us: email ccandstmwatford@gmail.com

Lift Off! Children and Families Outreach: admin@liftoff.org.uk

We’re also to be found on <https://www.facebook.com/ChristChurchStMarks>

THIS WEEK

Morning Prayer Readings

Mon 03 August	Acts 1.1-14		
Tue 04 August	Acts 1.15-end		
Wed 05 August	Acts 2.1-21	10-11am	Morning Prayer at Christ Church, then coffee.
Thu 06 August	1 John 3.1-3	10am-1pm	Foodbank at Christ Church.
Fri 07 August	Acts 2.37-end		
Sat 08 August	Acts 3.1-10		

Sunday 9th August; 10th Sunday after Trinity

READINGS Romans 10.5-15; Matthew 14.22-33

SERVICES 9.30am Service of the Word at St Mark's.

11.00am Service at Christ Church.

News

“The Young Saints and God” – A Wonderful Success!

On Sunday, our Youth Drama Group presented The Young Saints and God, a play inspired by the life and faith of Saint Carlo Acutis. Through drama, music and humour, the children shared Carlo's inspiring message that holiness is possible for everyone, even in today's digital world. The play encouraged us to put God first, make good use of technology, and remember that the Eucharist is the centre of the Christian life.

The performance was made even more special by our live band (the Tang family), whose beautiful music accompanied the show throughout the afternoon. It was a wonderful event, with families, friends and members of the community coming together to support our young people. After the performance, many stayed to enjoy refreshments and fellowship, celebrating the children's hard work and dedication.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make this event such a success. We are incredibly proud of all our young actors!



Our Youth Club activities are now paused for the summer.

We'll be resuming on Friday 28th August with a narrowboat cruise in Rickmansworth. We still have a few spaces available for children aged 10–15 if you know anyone who might be interested.