

The Parish of Mill End and Heronsgate with West Hyde

Transfiguration of our Lord: 9th August 2026

Welcome!

Hearing Loop - A hearing loop system is installed at St Thomas' and St Peter's Churches, please set your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.

Large Print Service Booklets & pewsheets are also available – please ask the sidesperson if you would prefer one.

Gluten Free Wafers - Please let a sidesperson know if you require a Gluten Free communion wafer before the start of the service.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Ancient & Modern (A&M) 623

COLLECT: Father in heaven, whose Son Jesus Christ was wonderfully transfigured before chosen witnesses upon the holy mountain, and spoke of the exodus he would accomplish at Jerusalem: give us strength so to hear his voice and bear our cross that in the world to come we may see him as he is; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

NEW TESTAMENT READING: *Peter 1.16-19*

¹⁶We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honour and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, 'This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

This is the word of the Lord

GRADUAL HYMN: A&M 281

GOSPEL READING: *Luke 9.28-36*

²⁸ Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹ And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰ Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹ They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³² Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³ Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' Peter did not know what he said. ³⁴ While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they

entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

OFFERTORY HYMN: A&M 621

COMMUNION HYMN: A&M 840

POST COMMUNION PRAYER: Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: A&M 610



A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.



Our churches have a candle lit, asking for the intercession of Blessed Mary for the people of Ukraine and all caught up in this conflict. The candles will remain lit and our prayers will continue whilst the war rages.

Diary for this week:

Mon 10th August

Laurence, deacon, martyr

Wed 12th August

Sun 16th August

Trinity 11

8.00pm Symeons meet in the Parish Hall

9.30am Said Eucharist at St Peter's

9.30am Said Eucharist at St John's

9.30am Sung Eucharist at St Thomas'

11.00am Sung Eucharist at St Peter's followed by coffee in the Parish Hall

All items for inclusion in the weekly pewsheets must be forwarded to the parish office by Thursday morning at the latest.

UK Power networks – St Peter's. Roadworks are taking place along Berry Lane between 21st July and 4th August. We have been advised there will be some carriageway incursions between Church Lane and Field Way. Berry Lane is to remain open but parking may be suspended. There will also be multiway lights in operation in Field Way 5th – 12th August.

General Synod - Nominations for candidates for election to the House of Laity of the General Synod for the 2026 to 2031 quinquennium will open on Friday 14th August and close on Monday 7th September. St. Albans Diocese can elect 5 lay members to the General Synod. If you are interested in standing for election, please apply for a nomination form to governance@stalbandsdiocese.org. Candidates may also submit election addresses by 7th September. Elections will follow in the autumn. As one of the electors, I will be happy to explain in more detail about the system if required. Thank you for your attention. Alan Wills

The Why? Group – We meet fortnightly on a Wednesday, 12.30pm for a simple lunch, bible study and discussion. Our next meeting will be Wed 19th August. Enquiries via the Parish Office. All welcome, always



St Peter's Garden Tidy – Join us on Saturday 22nd August to help tidy the church gardens and Garden of Remembrance at St Peter's. There's lots to do so many hands make light work. Any time from 9am. Refreshments provided for the weary! Please bring your own garden tools.

Tony is finding it increasingly difficult to maintain the gardens and Garden of Remembrance on his own. It would be good therefore to set up a more regular garden tidy to keep on top of the work. If you would be interested in helping more regularly, please contact the Parish Office or Tony Funnell.

Vacancies at Diocesan Office – The diocese are currently advertising for the following roles:

- PA to the Archdeacon of Hertford – Part Time (based in Hertingfordbury)
- Giving Communications Assistant – Part Time (would suit uni/college leaver)
- Property and Trust Adviser – Full Time

Further details on the Diocesan website: <https://www.stalbandsdiocese.org/vacancies-role/diocesan-roles/>

Junior Church - the next meeting will be Sunday 6th September (no meeting in August), during the 11am All Age & Band Service at St Peter's; please invite any families with children to join us.

Keyboard players: are there any instrumentalists (particularly keyboard players), that might be interested in playing the keyboard to accompany hymns for our Sunday services. Please speak to our Wardens or Mark if you are able to help.

Prayers:

For the **sick at home or in hospital**, especially those on our sick list –

Hazel Clarke, Maria Mason, Ian Carpenter, Johanne Watson, David Gasper, Nigel Bunce, Sylvia Ball, Michael Ansell, Val Fear, Alison Sealy, Sylvia Carter, Raymond Williamson, Alan Wills, Duncan Woods.

For the **repose of the souls of:** *Robert Clarke, and those whose anniversaries fall at this time: Leonard Phillips, Jean Hogg, Bernard Bell, Dorothy Clarke, David Cassidy, Sharon Silwood, Alfred Stokes.*

Please let us know if anyone is sick, in hospital, bereaved or in need of a visit:

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Do You Need Help? If you need help of any sort, no matter how small, please contact your Pastoral Care co-ordinators and they will put you in touch with someone who will do what they can to help you.

St. Peter's: Dianne Harris 01923 283600(h) 07887 387222(m)

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Safeguarding: Safeguarding (ensuring the care and welfare of children and vulnerable adults) is a responsibility we all share. There are information cards at the back of church which you are welcome to pick up which give useful information: contact numbers and websites for information and support. Parish Safeguarding Officer: safeguarding@mehwh.org.uk