

WELCOME to the Benefice of Sarratt and Chipperfield

Holy Cross Church, Sarratt, & St Paul's Church, Chipperfield

Benefice Office: 01923 264377

Everyone is welcome to attend any of the services in our churches

YOU CAN FIND US ON 'A CHURCH NEAR YOU': www.achurchnearyou.com

New Pattern of Services – please note changes of times

Sunday 4 October - 18th after Trinity 1 st Sunday of the month	
10.30am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross (including Baptism)
2.30pm	Forest Church – St Paul's (note earlier time)
Sunday 11 October - 19th after Trinity Sarratt Harvest Festival, 2 nd Sunday of the month	
9.30am	Morning Worship – St Paul's (note change of time)
10.30am	Sarratt Harvest Festival Eucharist – Holy Cross (note change of time)
Sunday 18 October - 20th after Trinity 3 rd Sunday of the month	
9.30am	Holy Communion, Book of Common Prayer – St Paul's
10.30am	All Together Worship – St Paul's
6.30pm	Compline (traditional evening prayer) – Holy Cross
Sunday 25 October – Last Sunday after Trinity 4 th Sunday of the month	
9.30am	Morning Worship – St Paul's
10.30am	Benefice Eucharist – Holy Cross
6.30pm	<i>Prayer & Praise – St Paul's – Coming soon, watch this space!</i>

Our bible readings for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

4 October

Colossians Chapter 3 Verses 12-17

Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Chapter 10 Verses 13-16

Glory to you, O Lord.

People were bringing little children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them, but the disciples rebuked them. ¹⁴ When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." ¹⁶ And he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you O Christ

INTRODUCING SOUL SPACE

Do you want some • stillness in your life? • time to reflect, think and contemplate amongst friends? • space to gather your thoughts and feelings, to make sense of both them and how the bible aids us in living as disciples of Christ?

We have started new benefice home groups using the Soul Space material from the Church of England resource hub and looking at a weekly Lectionary reading.

If you would like to join one of the groups, please add your name to the sign-up sheets at the back of both churches and when would suit you best so we can accommodate as many as possible. If you would be interested in hosting a group, please have a chat with

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Or

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DIOCESAN OFFICE VACANCIES

The Diocese is currently advertising the following roles. Please circulate details to anyone you think may be interested in applying.

- 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 link below:

<https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/vacancies/>

FOREST CHURCH



SERVICES FOR ALL SOULS' DAY

Rev'd Sarah would like to invite you, and anyone else you would like to bring along, to one of our services for All Souls' Day.

These will be held on Sunday 1st November 2026 at

- 4.30pm at Holy Cross Church, Sarratt
- 6.30pm at St Paul's Church, Chipperfield

We invite you to join us in a special service of reflection and remembrance to light a candle and pray for those who are no longer with you.

WORKING PARTY

There will be a working party at St Paul's on 31st October in the Churchyard from 9.00am – 1.00pm.

Please bring leaf blowers/rakes/ loppers/secateurs, etc and your own gloves. We didn't do one in Spring and shall welcome all helpers, if only for an hour! Free food & beverages provided.



Inspire

Women Inspiring Women

Join us on the 1st Monday of every Month in St Pauls Parish Room, Chipperfield from 1.30 to 3pm.

Have time away from your busy lives with activities, conversations and inspiring talks over tea, coffee and cake!

We would love you to join us

On **Monday 5th October** Viktoria will be talking to us about her experiences when she was forced to flee her home in Ukraine to come to England when the war started.

For more info contact Fay on
fay.dent@live.co.uk

DENS HARVEST APPEAL

Harvest is a time to give thanks for what we have and to share our blessings with others. At DENS, we see first-hand the difference that kindness and generosity can make to those facing poverty, homelessness, and food insecurity in our community.

We are currently experiencing unprecedented demand for emergency food support. More individuals and families are turning to our Foodbank for help, while donations have significantly decreased. As a result, our shelves are running low on many essential items. That's why we need your support this Harvest.

Every donation, no matter how small, helps provide essential food and household items to local individuals and families who are struggling to put food on the table.

Please see the **Harvest High Needs List** below, highlighting the items most urgently needed.

Donations can be dropped off at DENS Foodbank, Dacre House, 19 Hillfield Road, Hemel Hempstead, HP2 4AA - Monday to Friday, 10am to 1pm. Alternatively, if you need to arrange a collection, please contact our Foodbank team directly on foodbank@dens.org.uk or call 01442 250969.



FOODBANK HIGH NEEDS LIST

FOOD

- Tinned tomatoes
- Rice
- Long life juice/squash
- Baked beans
- Tea bags
- Biscuits
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned chickpeas
- Tinned sweetcorn
- UHT milk



HARVEST 2026

KITCHEN/HYGIENE

- Shampoo
- Shower gel

Please note:

We do not accept furniture, clothes, shoes and accessories.

CHURCH CONTACTS

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