

The Parish of Elstree & Borehamwood
All Saints * Holy Cross * St Michael and
All Angels * St Nicholas
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Sunday, September 27th Trinity 17



“Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink”

Exodus 17.6

TODAY'S READINGS

Exodus 17.1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²The people quarrelled with Moses, and said, “Give us water to drink.” Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” ³But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?” ⁴So Moses cried out to the LORD, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵The LORD said to Moses, “Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink.” Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarrelled and tested the LORD, saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

Psalms 78.1-7

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
Incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,
Things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD,
And his might, and the wonders that he has done.

He established a decree in Jacob,
And appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children

That the next generation might know them,
The children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children.

So that they should set their hope in God,
And not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments;

Philippians 2.1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, ²make my joy complete:

WELCOME TO CHURCH

Today's Services		
St Nicholas	9.15am	Service of the Word
Holy Cross	9.30am	Holy Communion
St Michael	9.30am	Holy Communion
	2.00pm	Holy Baptism of Lennie Badgery
	2.45pm	Confirmation Class
All Saints	11.15am	Holy Communion and Holy Baptism

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. ⁴Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. ⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, ⁸he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. ¹²Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; ¹³for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

Matthew 21.23-32

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" ²⁴Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. ²⁵Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' ²⁶But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." ²⁷So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. ²⁸"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' ²⁹He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. ³⁰The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. ³¹Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

This Week...

Monday, September 28th

9.30am Morning Prayer, All Saints

Tuesday, September 29th

3.00pm Holy Communion and Pop-In Café, Holy Cross

Wednesday, September 30th

10.00am Holy Communion, St Nicholas

Thursday, October 1st

- 9.30am Morning Prayer at St Nicholas
- 12.00-3.00pm Welcome Café, St Michael's
- 3.00pm Holy Communion with Songs of Praise for St Francis Day, St Michael's. All welcome.

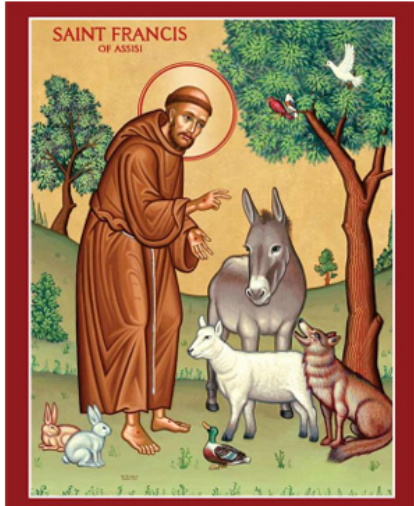
Friday, October 2nd

12.30pm Holy Communion, All Saints and Open Church from 12.00-2.00pm

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St Francis Day

**THURSDAY, OCT 1ST AT 3.00PM
AT ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,
BROOK ROAD, BOREHAMWOOD**



Holy Communion
With Songs of Praise

Next Sunday's Services

Sunday, October 4 th		
St Nicholas	9.15am	Holy Communion
Holy Cross	9.30am	Holy Communion Holy Baptism
St Michael	9.30am	Holy Communion
	2.45pm	Confirmation Class
All Saints	11.15am	Holy Communion

Parish News

SAVE THE DATE: Parish Christmas Fair on Saturday, November 21st – goods and gifts needed for stalls, volunteers & help setting up.