

## NOTICES

The Cathedral is holding a series of events exploring science and faith and on **Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 7.30-9pm**, Dr Hilary Marlow, Canon Environmentalist will be giving a lecture entitled 'Let there be light! Cosmology and Metaphor in the Bible' The lecture will take place in the Alban Room at the Cathedral and also online via zoom, (If you cannot attend on the night, it is possible to receive a recording by purchasing a ticket in advance). Tickets are available from the Box Office, £10 (£6 students): <https://www.stalbanscathedral.org/Event/let-there-be-light> For details of other events, please see the Cathedral website: <https://www.stalbanscathedral.org/Listing/Category/science-lighting-up-our-universe>

Your Mission & Community Committee are hosting **Bonfire Night on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> November, 4-6pm in the Paddock**. Thank you to all those who have already volunteered, but we still need more help, specifically to:

- Build the bonfire on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 9:30 am**, meeting in the Paddock
- Set-up serving tables, BBQs, lighting during the afternoon of the **5<sup>th</sup> November from 2.00 p.m.**
- Serve food, drinks and stoke the bonfire for an hour during the evening, **4-6 pm**

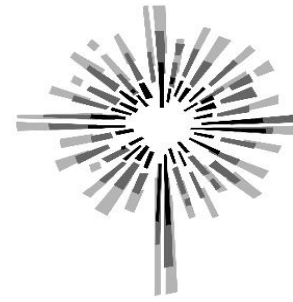
Please contact Jane Larman on [janelarman@sky.com](mailto:janelarman@sky.com) if you can spare an hour to help with any, or all, of the above – we would be very grateful. **Tickets will be on sale after the 9:30 Sunday service today, on 29<sup>th</sup> October** and each day in the St Michael's school playground from Kate Berry.

**Marlborough Road Methodist Church** will be hosting a **Thinking Lunch on Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 12.30pm**, hearing from **Doral Hayes** who will speak on '**What's Unity got to do with me? The role and potential of ecumenical work in the church today**'.

**Centre 33** provides an evening meal service for homeless people and others, operating each evening, Monday to Thursday and Sunday, from the Salvation Army Citadel in Victoria Street, St Albans. They urgently need more volunteers so that they can remain open. If you can help or would like more information, please email the Volunteer Coordinator on [volunteers@centre33.org](mailto:volunteers@centre33.org)

### Heating in St Michael's – Update

Please note that we will not be able to restore the heating until the end of November at the earliest, so the church will be quite cold for the next few weeks. Please take care to bring extra layers or a warm blanket. If anyone has spare blankets and are willing to lend them to us until the heating is available, please talk to the warden on duty or a steward.



*St Michael with St Mary*

## Services this week

### Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022:

#### All Saints' Sunday

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (St Michael's)  
9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (St Michael's)  
*President: The Ven Jonathan Smith*  
6.00 p.m. Service of Commemoration and Thanksgiving (St Michael's)  
6.00 p.m. Evensong (St Mary's)

#### Wednesday

- 9.00 a.m. School Service  
10.30 a.m. Holy Communion (St Michael's)

### Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> November 2022:

#### Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (St Michael's)  
9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (St Michael's)  
*President: Rev'd Ruth Goatly*  
6.00 p.m. Holy Communion (St Mary's)

**PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office is CLOSED on Wednesdays**

#### Contacts

Key information is available on [www.stmichaels-parishchurch.org.uk](http://www.stmichaels-parishchurch.org.uk) or via the Parish Office: 01727 835037 (9.00 a.m.–12.00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday)

Children's Church for those in school years Reception to Year 6 meets alongside the 9.30am service during term time. Please ask a Steward for more information and directions.

The **children's corner** in the North Aisle contains themed-worksheets, books and toys. Parents: please remain responsible for your children in this space. If your child needs time-out or privacy (e.g. nappy change) the Tower Room is available and has sound relay of the service.

**Toilets** are available in the Parish Centre at the east end of the churchyard; please see a steward for access.

Please stay for **refreshments** after the service in the Parish Centre.

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### **Old Testament Reading: Daniel 7: 1-3, 15-18 (OT p.756 in the Pew Bibles)**

#### **Between the Readings: Psalm 149 - Chant by CV Stanford**

O sing unto the Lord a new song :  
    let the congregation of saints praise him.  
Let Israel rejoice in him that made him :  
    and let the children of Sion be joyful in their King.  
Let them praise his Name in the dance :  
    let them sing praises unto him with tabret and harp.  
For the Lord hath pleasure in his people :  
    and helpeth the meek-hearted.  
Let the saints be joyful with glory :  
    let them rejoice in their beds.  
Let the praises of God be in their mouth :  
    and a two-edged sword in their hands;  
To be avenged of the heathen :  
    and to rebuke the people;  
To bind their kings in chains :  
    and their nobles with links of iron.  
That they may be avenged of them, as it is written :  
    Such honour have all his saints.

### **New Testament Reading: Ephesians 1: 11-23 (NT p.178 in the Pew Bibles)**

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance towards redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of

wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

### **Gospel Reading: Luke 6: 20-31 (NT p.59 in the Pew Bibles)**

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

'But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

### **During Communion the choir will sing**

These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth.

These were redeemed from among men, being the first-fruits unto God and to the Lamb.

And in their mouth was found no guile, for they are without fault before the throne of God.

Words from Revelation 14 vv4&5

Music by John Goss 1800-1880

### **Please remember in your prayers**

- those who are **ill**, including: Jacqui Follett, Jo Frost, Debbie Greenwood, Edna Hames, Michael Hogben, Helen Huson, Rachael Hymas, Ingrid Kluckova, JoAnne Laws; Alice Reardon, Pat Stroud, Cora Marie Varshney, Paul Wiggett