

Services & Diary Dates

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| Monday | 4 th | |
| Tuesday | 5 th | 1930 Said Eucharist |
| Wednesday | 6 th | 1000 Toddle Time playgroup 1030 Said Eucharist 1100 Coffee for All 2000 Zoom Prayer Meeting |
| Thursday | 7 th | 1200 Thursday Lunches |
| Friday | 8 th | 1900 Choir Practice |
| Saturday | 9 th | |
| Sunday | 10 th | 0800 Said Eucharist 0915 Parish Communion 1500 Wild Church |

News

IMPORTANT! Car share/pool & Attendance re Rev'd Rachel's Licensing Service at St Mary's Redbourn on Monday 4th Sep: Would all drivers and car shares, please assemble in church carpark latest by 6pm.

Churchwarden Carol will organise everyone upon arrival. You need to be seated in church by 7:15pm. Do not be late!

Full detailed map of church & car parks available from Pui San, Parish Office.

Bishop of St Albans' Harvest Appeal 2023: Cracking Food Poverty Together supports Mission Direct's work in Kumi, Uganda, by providing materially poor families with chickens.



QUIZ NIGHT!

Saturday 30th Sep 5:30 to 8pm

Get your teams ready!

This is an all age fundraiser and fun night as we raise monies for church and Christian Aid.

All are welcome. (BYO) Bring your own food and drink!

Adults: £5, Children: free entry.

6 persons per team. Please sign up on the special noticeboard in the porch.

Sundays:

10th Sep @3pm Wild Church

24th Sep @10am Harvest - Family Communion for All AND

@6pm Choral Evensong



CTF2023 is our Silver Jubilee!!

Christmas Tree Festival 9th to 10th December

Graham and his team are planning for 2023 to be a really special CTF anniversary event. Don't miss out, get your tree entry in early!

Would you like to exhibit or volunteer on one of the stalls?

Contact Graham Bloye on:

stfranciscf@outlook.com if you like more details.

Welcome

Sunday 3rd September 2023

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Services Today

8am SAID EUCHARIST

9:15am PARISH COMMUNION

Followed by Parish Coffee in the Hall - All are welcome.

Youth & Children's Church (YACC) Join Nikki at Children's Church in the Hall for 'Prayers & Praise'. The usual YACC age groups will resume next Sunday 10th September.

Congregational Setting: Lloyd

Music **Hymns: 250 (omit vs 5 & 6) 254 257(tune 29) 262**
Choir on holiday

5pm FRANKIE'S AT 5

This week we pray for all who live and work in High Grove and The Valley Green.



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Collect

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Genesis 1: 26 – 2: 3

Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness, and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over the cattle and over all the wild animals of the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the air and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth were finished and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.

1 Timothy 6: 7-10, 17-21

... for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich

some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you. Avoid the profane chatter and contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge; by professing it some have missed the mark as regards the faith.

Grace be with you.

John 21: 1-14

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach, but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he had taken it off, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them, and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Next Readings: Ezekiel 33: 7-11; Romans 13: 8-14 Matthew 18: 15-20