



Welcome to St. Michael and All Angels, Amersham on the Hill.

Please take this sheet home with you for future reference.

27 May, 2018

Trinity Sunday

8.00am. - Said Eucharist

10.00am. Sung Eucharist. Guest Preacher - James Boulton from Wycombe
Homeless Connection (Incense will be used at this service.)

We invite you to stay for tea, coffee or juice, served in the area to the left of the altar after the 10.00am. service.

You can follow the service in the booklet given to you as you came in. This week's readings are printed out below. Please use the time before the service to be quiet and to prepare for worship.

Introit (sung by the choir) *God to uphold you.*

Processional Hymn

1. Shout for joy! The Lord has let us feast:
heaven's own fare has fed the last and least:
Christ's own peace is shared again on earth:
God the Spirit fills us with new worth.
2. No more doubting, no more senseless dread;
God's good self has graced our wine and bread:
all the wonder heaven has kept in store
now is ours to keep for evermore.
3. Celebrate with saints who dine on high,
witnesses that love can never die.
'Hallelujah!' – thus their voices ring:
nothing less in gratitude we bring.
4. Praise the Maker, praise the Maker's Son,
praise the Spirit – three yet ever one:
praise the God whose food and friends avow
heaven starts here! The kingdom beckons now!

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Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Alternative Collect

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Isaiah 6.1–8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had

been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!' For the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Psalm 29

Response: May the Lord bless his people, bless his people with peace.

Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. **Response**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation; the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice. **Response**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf and Sirion like a young wild ox. **Response**

The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. **Response.**

The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare;
in his temple all cry, 'Glory!' **Response.**

The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.

The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace. **Response**

Romans 8.12–17

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. For the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn

God the Father, God the Father,

God the Son, God the Son,

God the Holy Spirit, God the Holy Spirit,

Three in one, Three in one!

John 3.1–17

8.00am. only

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

Mark 6.1-13**10.00am. only**

Jesus left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Peace

My peace I leave you, my peace I give you, trouble not your hearts;

My peace I leave you; my peace I give you; be not afraid.

Music during Communion (sung by the choir)

How shall I sing that majesty?

Post Communion Prayer

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: hold us firm in this faith, that we may know you in all your ways and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory, who are three Persons yet one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Services this week

THE LADY CHAPEL is available for prayer and meditation from 9.30am. Monday-Saturday.

MONDAY-SATURDAY 9.00am. MORNING PRAYER from 'Celebrating Common Prayer' - Lady Chapel

A gentle 20 minute service of prayer, psalms and readings. All welcome at any time. There is a simplified service booklet available in the Lady Chapel, which can be used by anyone, should no priest be present.

TUESDAY 10.30am. SAID EUCHARIST

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Readings for next Sunday: Deuteronomy 5.12-15; Psalm 81.1-10; 2 Corinthians 4.5-12; Mark 2.23-3.6

Forthcoming Activities and Events at St. Michael's

WHEELER COFFEE –St Michael's – Tuesday, 29 May - 10.00am. – midday

Hot drinks and/or squash with biscuits, with an opportunity for a chat.

HEALING AND WHOLENESS - Lady Chapel – Wednesday, 06 June - 3.00pm. 3.30pm. & 4.15pm.

Sessions last 30 minutes. Please arrive before the start of your preferred time. Appointments are not necessary. If you would like to come but need transport, please call Joy Johns on 729061.

TRAIDCRAFT STALL – Sunday, 10 June, after the 10.00am. service

Orders for items should be given to Sue Eames, or left in the Office, to ensure availability on the monthly stall. Alternatively, please look at the catalogue on the stall and make your request for the following month.

BUCKS ART WEEKS - Saturday, 09 June – Sunday, 24 June

The Simpatico Art group will once again be exhibiting at St. Michael's. Jenny, Liz, Cecilia and Beverley will be pleased to see you between 9.30am and 5.30pm Mon.-Fri. and until 6.00pm at the weekends.

SUMMER BARBECUE – Vicarage Garden – Sunday, 10 June - 12noon – 3.00pm.

Keep the date free. An opportunity to get to know other members of the congregation. Everyone invited. Bring a friend. Please provide meat/fish/vegetarian option (whatever you would like to eat) for barbecuing. If you plan to attend, please add your name to the list at the back of the church to give us some idea of numbers.

MESSY CHURCH–St Michael's - Saturday, 16 June - 11.30am. – 1.00pm.

Family Fun Saturday! Crafts. Song and Dance. Lunch for everyone. You choose what you want to do. No need to book in advance. Just come along. No charge.

THE NAMING OF 'THE RODERICK QUIET GARDEN' – Sunday, 17 June at the end of the 10.00am. Sung Eucharist

Philip and Jill Roderick are going to be with us at the 10.00am. service for the dedication and re-naming of St. Michael's Quiet Garden as 'The Roderick Quiet Garden'. Philip will be preaching and everyone is invited to drinks after the service.

NOT-ONE-FOR-LUNCH

There will be no Not One for Lunch in June as the date clashes with the Tuesday Club holiday to Suffolk.

"POP IN AND PAINT" - St Michael's – Friday, 29 June– 10.30am. – 12.15pm.

Join Jenny Thompson and Liz Grammenos from Simpatico. No experience needed - only enthusiasm and interest. All materials supplied, but you are welcome to bring your own paints. If you prefer just to come along for a chat and to watch the proceedings, that's fine too! Further information from Judy Redpath on 725271.

PRAYER CHAIN AND PRAYER WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

A number of people pray at home for St. Michael's and for specific needs or thanksgivings that people may have. If you would like to be part of this network or have a prayer request, please contact Joy Tobler on 818172. If anyone would like prayer with laying on of hands, either for themselves or for someone else, this ministry is available after church services. Please ask a member of the healing team, whose names are on the 'Healing Board', or either of the clergy.

Activities and Events beyond St. Michael's

LUNCH BREAK - Amersham Free Church – Tuesday, 29 May - Midday to 2pm.

Lunch Café with coffee, speciality teas and snack lunches, daily newspapers. The church is open for quiet reflection and offers a varied programme of music, worship, meditation and speakers between 1.10pm. and 1.30pm. We are open for anyone who wants a bit of an oasis during the week at lunch time every Tuesday. **This week: 'Circling the City' with Hazel Richardson and Gillian Munro**

THE CATHOLIC WORKER FARM - OPEN DAY - Lynsters Farm, Old Uxbridge Road, West Hyde WD3 9XJ – Saturday, 02 June – 3.00pm. - late

An opportunity for the Community to thank you in a small way for all your support of and interest in their work. Meet them, chat and learn about their work with homeless women and children. Enjoy live music and food from around the world! Huge Bonfire, Badminton and Trampolines! Snacks & Drinks from 3.00pm. – late. International Buffet from 6.00pm. For further information – Tel: 07983 477819 website:

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