

St. Michael & All Angels – Church of England 2 November, 2025 – All Saints' Day & All Souls

Said Eucharists – Sunday, 8.30a.m. and Tuesday, 10.30a.m.

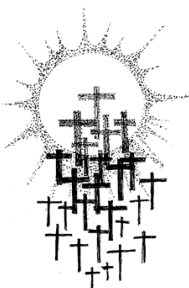
Sung Eucharist – Sunday 10.00a.m.

All Souls Service – Commemoration of the Faithful Departed – 4.00p.m.

Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel – Tuesday, 9.00a.m.

The 10.00a.m. service is recorded, then available later on,
<https://www.youtube.com/@stmichaelandallangels/streams>

ALL SAINTS 8.30a.m. & 10a.m.



Hymns for 10a.m.

134 vv1-4 For all the saints

63 Blest are the pure in heart

156 Give us the wings of faith

134 vv5-8 For all the saints

Readers

Claire and Roger

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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

God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Daniel 7.1–3, 15–18

A reading from the book of Daniel.

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: 'As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever – for ever and ever.

For the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 149

Response: Sing, O sing to the Lord a new song: sing his praise.

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.

Let Israel rejoice in their maker; let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.

Response

Let them praise his name in the dance; let them sing praise to him with timbrel and lyre.

For the Lord has pleasure in his people and adorns the poor with salvation.

Response

Let the faithful be joyful in glory; let them rejoice in their ranks,

With the praises of God in their mouths and a two-edged sword in their hands;

Response

To execute vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples; to bind their kings in chains and their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute on them the judgement decreed; such honour have all his faithful servants.

Response

Ephesians 1.11–23

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

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.

For the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Luke 6.20–31

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus 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 in 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.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



ALL SOULS – 4p.m. – All readings below can be found on the service sheet.

Lamentations 3.17-26, 31-33

My soul is bereft of peace; I have forgotten what happiness is; so I say, "Gone is my glory, and all that I had hoped for from the Lord." The thought of my affliction and my homelessness is wormwood and gall! My soul continually thinks of it and is bowed down within me. But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him." The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. For the Lord will not reject for ever. Although he causes grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; for he does not willingly afflict or grieve anyone. For the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 23

Response: The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing.

He makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.

He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Response

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Response

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

Response

Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Response

John 5.19-25

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to the Jews, "Very truly, I tell you, the Son can do nothing on his own, but only what he sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, the Son does likewise. The Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing; and he will show him greater works than these, so that you will be astonished. Indeed, just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whomever he wishes. The Father judges no one but has given all judgement to the Son, so that all may honour the Son just as they honour the Father. Anyone who does not honour the Son does not honour the Father who sent him. Very truly, I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life, and does not come under judgement, but has passed from death to life. "Very truly I tell you, the hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live."

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Activities and Events at St. Michael & All Angels, Amersham on the Hill

REMEMBRANCE DAY – Remembrance Day services will be held on Sunday, 9 November at 8.30a.m. and 10a.m. at St. Michael's Church and on Tuesday, 11 November at 10.55 in St. Michael's Square. Because of this, the Tuesday Eucharist on 11 November will start at 10a.m. From Saturday, 1st November, until Sunday, 9 November, The British Legion will be selling poppies on St. Michael's Square.

CARDS FOR GOOD CAUSES will be open in the South Transept every Monday-Saturday, from 10a.m.-4p.m. (except 18 October 15 November and 20 December when they will open from 1.30p.m.-4p.m.) and Sundays from 11.30a.m./12noon-4p.m.

REPAIR CAFÉ – Saturday, 1 November – 10.a.m.-1p.m. Come along to SustainableAmersham.org's pop-up Repair Café. Volunteer repairers will help you fix your stuff for free. No appointment required. Free refreshments.

BOLLYWOOD FITNESS CLASS – Bolly-Z Fitness Session – Sunday evenings from 8.15p.m.-9.15p.m. This new class is starting in St. Michael's Church Hall, Amersham, on 2 November. Burn up to 400 calories in 50 mins of nonstop fun! Don't let winter stop you dance, sweat & feel amazing. First trial session for just £7! Regular Classes will run every Sunday and cost – £29 monthly or Pay As You Go – £8.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP FOR AMERSHAM – Thursday, 6 November – 10a.m.-12 noon – Wheeler Room, St. Michael's. Are you or a loved one facing a cancer diagnosis? Are you finding cancer treatment tough? Is your treatment over, but you still feel anxious? You are not alone. Please drop in for coffee and a chat.

"POP IN AND PAINT" – Friday, 7 November – 10.30a.m.-12.30p.m. Join 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 come along for a chat and watch the proceedings!

WISE CHOICES FILM CLUB – Friday, 7 November – 2p.m.-4p.m – in The Wheeler Room – GREEN FINGERS, Starring Clive Owen and Helen Mirren. Based on a true story, Colin Briggs (Clive Owen) is serving a sentence for murder. After being transferred to an open prison in the heart of the Cotswolds, life takes on a whole new meaning. 1hr. 26mins.

FAIRTRADE STALL – Sunday, 9 November. The stall will be in the North Transept, after the 10a.m. service.

A CRAFTY CUPPA – 14 & 28 November – 10.30a.m.-12noon. A Crafty Cuppa is a drop-in session for everyone who wants a cuppa and some company. Do bring your knitting, crochet and sewing, if you would like to. Some organised talks or crafts will also be available for those who prefer to come empty handed. We look forward to seeing you.

MESSY CHURCH – Saturday, 15 November – 11.30a.m.-1p.m. Join us with your children/grandchildren for fun activities, followed by a story or discussion, and a light lunch. The session is free. Donations are welcome.

TOY SWAP – Saturday, 15 November – 10a.m.-1p.m. – St. Michael's Church Hall. Bring your toys to swap or come and see what toys are waiting for you! Run by Sustainable Amersham. All Welcome.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE AT ST MICHAEL'S – Saturday, 29 November – 10a.m. to 5p.m.

ADVENT COURSE – 2, 9 & 16 December – 7p.m. – On Zoom. The sessions will be based on the book, 'God of Surprises' by Gerard W Hughes. If you would like to join the course please contact the office. If you are able to, a donation towards the cost of the book would be welcome.

Activities and Events beyond St. Michael's

LUNCHBREAK – Amersham Free Church – Tuesdays – 12noon-2p.m. Tea, coffee and soup are available. The church is open for quiet reflection, and on 4 November, from 1.10p.m.-1.30p.m., a concert, talk or bite sized service.

LUNCH FORUM – Friday, 21 November – 12.15p.m. – Amersham Free Church. – Anne Samson shall give a talk about the ongoing work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission based in Maidenhead. As usual we will sit down to eat our own packed lunches at 12.15-12.30 with the talk starting at 1.00pm. Tea/coffee/water provided. Suggested donation £3-£5 to cover the cost of speakers.

It would be wonderful to have members from St Michael's come and join us.