



St. Michael & All Angels – Church of England **28 September, 2024 – Patronal**

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

Sung Eucharist (with incense) – Sunday 10.00a.m.

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

*The 10a.m. service will be streamed live, and then be available on
St. Michael's YouTube Channel, <https://www.youtube.com/@stmichaelandallangels/streams>*

Tea and coffee will be served after the 10.00a.m. service. Please stay for a chat if you can.

Hymns for 10a.m.

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| 1. 79 Christ, the fair glory | 4. 35 Around the throne of God |
| 2. v2 SHS – Gradual | 5. v4 SHS – After the Agnus |
| 3. v3 SHS – Peace | 6. 564 Ye holy angels bright |

Readers:

Jenny Thompson and
Liz Grammenos

***The collect, readings and post communion prayer can be found in the service booklet.
If you are following online please see the readings at the end of the notices.***

Introit (Choir only)

1. Jesus calls us here to meet him
as, through word and song and prayer,
we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
praise the Son who calls us friends;
praise the Spirit who, among us,
to our hopes and fears attends.

Gradual

2. Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of Life and Lord of all,
sharer of our flesh and frailness
saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.

Peace

3. Jesus calls us to each other:
vastly different though we are;
race and colour, class and gender
neither limit nor debar.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
join the hands of age and youth;
join the faithful and the doubter
in their common search for truth.

After Agnus Dei

4. Jesus calls us to his table
rooted firm in time and space,
where the church in earth and heaven
finds a common meeting place.
Share the bread and wine, his body:
share the love of which we sing;
share the feast for saints and sinners
hosted by our Lord and King.

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

CAN YOU HELP WITH GARDENING & SWEEPING? Please could anyone who would like to help has some time for gardening contact Sue Eames sue@eamesgb.co.uk to join her group who look after our small Quiet Garden?

Similarly, could anyone help sweep the autumn leaves from the forecourt? If so, please join Andy Connor andrew@akipl.com whenever possible at 10.30a.m. on Friday mornings from now on until the leaves are gone. Brooms and blower provided.

A CRAFTY CUPPA – Friday, 26 September & 10 October – 10.30a.m.-12noon. A Crafty Cuppa is a drop-in session for everyone who wants a cuppa and some company. Please 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.

WINTER CLOTHES FOR THE HOMELESS – Saturday, 27 September – 9a.m.-5p.m. A group will be in the Hall collecting and packing up winter clothes for the homeless, which will be distributed in Central London. If you have any items you would like to donate to help their efforts, please either leave them in the Church office (if you can't make it on Saturday) or take them to the hall on 27 September.

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP FOR AMERSHAM – Thursday, 2 October – 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, 3 October – 10.30a.m.-12.30p.m. 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 come along for a chat and watch the proceedings!

WISE CHOICES FILM CLUB – Friday, 3 October – 2p.m.-4p.m – in The Wheeler Room – MR HOLMES: Academy award nominee Ian McKellen, takes on the iconic role of Detective Sherlock Holmes. Running Time: 1hr. 40mins.

ST. MICHAEL'S DAY CELEBRATIONS – Saturday, 4 October – 10a.m.-2p.m. Come along celebrate the wealth of diverse activities that St. Michael's has to offer to those within the church and the wider community. It promises to be FUN!

FAIRTRADE STALL – Sunday, 12 October. The stall will be in the North Transept, after the 10a.m. service.

MESSY CHURCH – Saturday, 18 October – 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.

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.

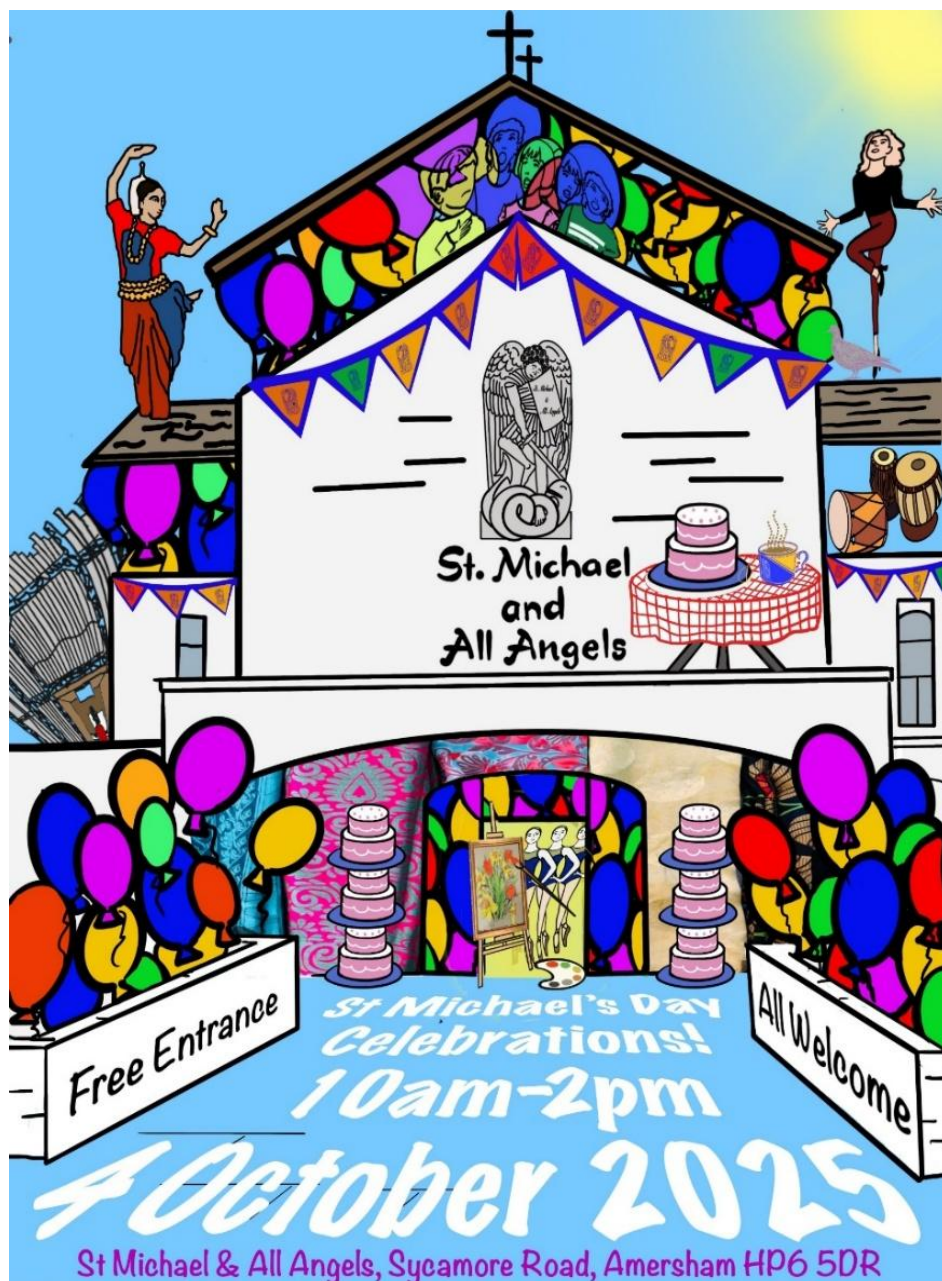
Activities and Events beyond St. Michael's

RIP PHILIP RODERICK. The funeral will take place at 11.15a.m. on Friday, 3 October at St. Barnabas Church, 88 Sackville Road, Hove BN3 3HE, followed by a reception at 2p.m. (Venue TBC, in Hove). The family would welcome as many people to attend as possible. Please RSVP. to sarah@quietgarden.org.

LUNCHEBREAK – Amersham Free Church – Tuesdays – 12noon-2p.m. - Tea, coffee and soup are available. The church is open for quiet reflection, and on 30 September, from 1.10p.m.-1.30p.m. the Dr Challoner's Grammar School in recital.

BIBLE TEACHING DAY – Saturday 11 October – 10a.m.-3p.m. The Amersham Free Church have invited us to join them for their upcoming annual. The session, 'Reading and Singing God's Word', will be led by retired United Reformed Church Minister, The Revd. Dr John Miller Campbell. More details can be found from Sunday on the poster on the noticeboard outside the church.

LUNCH FORUM – Friday, 17 October – 12.15p.m. – Amersham Free Church. Come along for a chance to hear from Mark Lawson, who has travelled throughout the world tasting, buying and blending tea. Mark, from local company Two Spoons Tea Ltd, will relate 'The Story of Tea from Bush to Cup'. This lively and informative talk will include a tasting and plenty of opportunity to quench our thirst for tea knowledge! 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.



If you are following online please see the following:

Collect

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven, so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth; 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.**

Genesis 28.10-17

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, 'I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the LORD is in this place – and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

Psalm 103 19-22

Response: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom has dominion over all.

Bless the Lord, you angels of his, you mighty ones who do his bidding and hearken to the voice of his word.

Response

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, you ministers of his who do his will.

Bless the Lord, all you works of his, in all places of his dominion; bless the Lord, O my soul.

Response

Revelation 12.7-12

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, 'Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!'

John 1.47-51

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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.