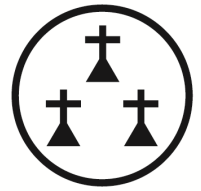


**We are an inclusive church, called to
be caring, loving and welcoming to all**

**Parish of
Harpenden**



27 October 2024
The Last Sunday after Trinity
Services in the Parish

- 8.00am **Holy Communion at St Nicholas'**
President - Revd James Brown; Preacher – Jacquie Hibbert
- 9.30am **Family Communion at St Nicholas'**
President - Revd Mark Rodel; Preacher - Jacquie Hibbert
This service will be live streamed on [facebook.com/
StNicholasChurchHarpenden](https://www.facebook.com/StNicholasChurchHarpenden)
- 9.30am **Family Communion at St Mary's**
President & Preacher - Revd Sally Goodson
Live-streamed on www.facebook.com/StMarysKinsbourneGreen
- 10.00am **Patronal Festival: Holy Communion at All Saints'**
President & Preacher - Revd James Brown
Zoom details available in the weekly email sending the pew leaflet or by
request from associate.vicar@allsaints.parishofharpenden.org
- 11.30am **Morning Praise with Holy Communion at St Nicholas'**
Leader - Chris Powell; President & Preacher - Revd Mark Rodel
Prayer ministry will be available at this service
- 3.00pm **Toddler Worship at St Mary's**
Led by Revd Sally Goodson
- 4.00pm **Tallis' Spem in Alium performance at St Nicholas' Church** - see Parish
Notices
- 6.30pm **'Come and Sing' Evensong at St Nicholas'** - see Parish Notices

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CONNECT, BELONG, SHARE, GROW

*Our mission is to build connections, encourage belonging, and share an
appealing faith that grows a vibrant Christian community at every stage of life.*

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS THIS WEEK

MONDAY - FRIDAY

10.00am - 2.00pm

●●● | Collects, Readings, and Psalm

COLLECT

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

ALTERNATIVE COLLECT

Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord.

FIRST READING Job 42.1-6, 10-17

Then Job answered the Lord:

'I know that you can do all things,
and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.
"Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?"
Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.
"Hear, and I will speak;
I will question you, and you declare to me."
I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,
but now my eye sees you;
therefore I despise myself,
and repent in dust and ashes.'

And the Lord restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for his friends; and the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the Lord had brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a gold ring. The Lord blessed the latter days of Job more than his beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah, and the third Keren-happuch. In all the land there were no women so beautiful as Job's daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance along with their brothers. After this Job lived for one hundred and forty years, and saw his children, and his children's children, four generations. And Job died, old and full of days.

SECOND READING Hebrews 7.23-28

Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues for ever. Consequently he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever.

PSALM 34.1-8



I will bless the / Lord at / all times; ♦ his praise shall / ever be / in my / mouth.
My soul shall glory / in the / Lord; ♦ let the / humble / hear and be / glad.
O magnify the / Lord with / me; ♦ let us ex/alt his / name to/gether.
I sought the Lord / and he / answered me ♦ and de/livered me from / all my / fears.
Look upon him / and be / radiant ♦ and your faces / shall not / be a/shamed.
This poor soul cried, and the / Lord / heard me ♦ and / saved me from / all my / troubles.
The angel / of the / Lord encamps around those who / fear him / and de/livers them.
O taste and see that the / Lord is / gracious; ♦ blessed is the / one who / trusts in / him.

GOSPEL Mark 10.46-52

So Jesus called them and said to them, 'You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.' They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' Jesus stood still and said, 'Call him here.' And they called the blind man, saying to him, 'Take heart; get up, he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, 'What do you want me to do for you?' The blind man said to him, 'My teacher, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has made you well.' Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

POST COMMUNION

God of all grace, your Son Jesus Christ fed the hungry with the bread of his life and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your true and living bread; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Diocesan 'Living God's Love' Topic for the Week: Going deeper into God: All who visit places of worship during the day

The Sick: Kevin Gill, Charlotte, Colin Chambers, James, Mary Coakley, Dot

The Recently Departed: Pamela Hoath, Elizabeth Frost, Brian Saffery, Douglas Patterson, Paul Russell

First Anniversary of Death: Audrey Talbert, Coral Cox, Peter Coult



Parish Notices

SAINTS AND SAUSAGES: Join us for a fun time of food, craft and games!

When: Friday, 1st November 2-4pm

Where: St Nicholas Hall

Who: Primary aged children and younger Bring your friends You need to > bring an adult with you too!

Cost: £1 per child (includes food) Book your place by 28 October to avoid disappointment!

Contact: Revd Cath on 07961 564 385

This events is brought to you by the Parish of Harpenden and High Street Methodist Church.

ALL SOUL'S SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING for those we love who have died will be held on Saturday, 2 November, 3pm, St Nicholas' Church.

Refreshments will be provided following the service. If you'd like a name to be remembered, please sign the sheet at the back of our churches.

YOUTH GROUP - coming up on 3 November - pumpkin party, fire pit, toasted marshmallows

VACANCY FOR THE POSITION OF PARISH WARDEN There will be a short, special Parishioners' Meeting on Monday 25 November (8pm at All Saints') to elect a successor to Tim Linacre. The meeting is open to all. A regular, closed PCC meeting will follow. Anyone on the electoral register of the Parish may stand for election as Warden, having completed a nomination form in advance (available from the Parish Office).

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS - RENEWAL The parish takes safeguarding very seriously. We are very grateful to all who volunteer to help in so many ways, with church services and activities. Safeguarding training needs to be renewed every three calendar years. Many of our volunteers will be receiving a reminder by email from the parish safeguarding team in the next few weeks asking those contacted to renew their safeguarding training. If you are contacted, please give this request your prompt attention, so that we can get everyone's training updated smoothly and efficiently and continue to ensure the safeguarding of our church community.

Michelle McCulloch, Parish Safeguarding Officer

THE TRAVELLING CRIB will be making its way around the Parish, stopping at a new home each night, from Advent Sunday, 1 December, until Christmas Eve. Please sign up as soon as possible if you would like the child-friendly, knitted Mary, Joseph and Donkey to rest for a night in your home. All ages/groups are welcome to host.

Contact Pamela Woodford-Smith, Tel.764368, pamelaws@btinternet.com, or pass your details onto the Parish Office.

OUR RINGING MASTER, Andrew Cripps, assisted by other ringers will be giving the third talk in our series at 10.30am Saturday 9 November on the St Nicholas Church bells. Please come along to hear about the bells and listen to a demonstration. Andrew's talk will last 30/45 minutes. We hope you will join us. If you wish, you can collect coffee from Cornelia's beforehand and bring it into the church with you.

THIS SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER there will be an informal performance of Tallis' amazing 40 part motet Spem in Alium at 4pm in the church. Admission is free and there will be a retiring collection - donations encouraged in aid of the church, in cash, via text or the payment machine at the rear of church.

If anyone would like to take part in singing the piece, there will be a workshop starting at 2pm - basses and baritones are especially encouraged as there are 8 of each part needed. The workshop will be led by Rufus Frowde, local conductor, former organist at the Chapel Royal Hampton Court, and Artistic Director of the English Chamber Choir. Please contact music@parishofharpenden.org. The workshop is also free (funded by the family of our Director of Music as her birthday present!), with tea at 3.30pm, donations to the church encouraged. Please arrive by 1.45pm to take part. You will need to print your own copy of the music.

Also on 27 October, evensong will be Come and Sing - all welcome. Purcell in G minor, Evening Hymn by Balfour-Gardiner and Smith Responses. Arrive 5.30pm to take part.

BOILER AT ST NICHOLAS' Just a reminder to wrap up warm when coming to church as it is noticeably chillier in the building without a functioning boiler. Plans are in place to begin using the temporary heaters from the beginning of November. However it will remain colder than you are used to, so please do consider that before arrival. If you would like to discuss this matter, please do not hesitate to contact either Cath 07961564385 or Sally on 01582 712754.

DEC HUMANITARIAN APPEAL - MIDDLE EAST: 90% of the population in Gaza have been forced to flee their homes, and airstrikes have killed thousands and displaced more than a million people in Lebanon. Malnutrition and disease now threaten the lives of those who have survived the fighting. You can support the appeal via the following link: <https://www.dec.org.uk/appeal/middle-east-humanitarian-appeal>

AZALEA - Donations still required of women's toiletries and sanitary items. Our donations are very much appreciated. Please continue to place your contributions in the pink box at the back of St Nicholas' or in the box in Cornelia's. Thank you.

PARISH GIVING: If you do not already make a regular donation to the Parish, please consider doing so. It is now easier than ever to set up a Direct Debit with The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). Follow this link <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/harpenden-st-nicholas-st-albans/> or simply scan the QR code from your mobile device. Any queries can be sent to Claire Petevinos: giving.recorder@parishofharpenden.org



ST GEORGE'S SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Children intending to apply to St George's Secondary School are advised to submit a clergy reference form with their application. The school gives priority to children with a clergy reference. To ensure this can be given, a Record of Attendance should be completed for 2 years prior to date of application (i.e. during school Years 4 and 5). You can pick up a blank copy from any of our three churches. The School website provides further details of the admissions criteria. The school will consider applications without a clergy reference but through a separate admissions category.

St Nicholas' Church Notices



MUSIC

9.30am **Sung Eucharist**

Setting Thorne Mass of St Thomas

Hymns 277 All for Jesus; 290 Christians, lift your hearts and voices;
282 Be known to us in breaking bread; 430 Forth in thy name

Anthem My eyes for beauty pine (Howells)

6.30pm **'Come and Sing' Choral Evensong**

Responses Smith

Setting Purcell in Gm

Anthem Evening Hymn (Balfour Gardiner)

SIMPLY WORSHIP - SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER, 4:30PM This month we will be learning about the Bread of Life and we will have a communion service. We would love to have volunteers to read the reading or bidding prayers. If your child/ren would like to read by themselves or with friends at the service, please contact Rachael de los Reyes-Churchill on [07817 318251](tel:07817318251) - we will send you the text in advance to practice if you wish. As usual, we will be stamping St George's passports after the service in Cornelia's cafe in the church hall.

REQUEST FOR FOODBANK DONATIONS: Please leave your contributions at St Nicholas' in the green crates next to the font, or in the porch, when church is open for services. They will be collected for delivery to Salvation Army and FEED at the Vineyard Church as usual. Donations are still very much needed. Thank you.

St Mary's Church Notices



TUESDAY 10AM HOLY COMMUNION - 5 & 19 November

MISSION ACTION PLANNING: Saturday 16 November 10am-1pm. Please put the date in your diary, come and be part of the process of thinking and planning for St Mary's in the next steps of our mission in this community.

FACEBOOK PAGE: Could you help us to make more use of St Marys Facebook page? It would benefit from more regular posts alongside the recordings of our services. Please contact Sally if you could help in this way.

FAITH AND LIGHT TEA AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH, SOUTHDOWN ON SUNDAY

3 NOVEMBER AT 4:15 PM Faith and Light is an ecumenical worship group for members, adults with learning disabilities and their families, carers and friends. It is St Mary's turn to provide tea for the group on Sunday afternoon, 3 November. This is always great fun. We need volunteers to provide food, and/or also to help on the day, about 4.15 to 5.45pm. Please contact Carolyn McNicoll, 01582 763398 or email familymcnicoll@hotmail.com .

St Mary's Church Notices continued



TODDLERS WORSHIP – SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER 3PM

Our new service for very young children and their parents/carers, singing, story and prayers with time for refreshments afterwards.

ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS CHOIR We are planning a carol service for Sunday 22 December at 6pm. Would you like to sing in the choir? Ability to read music is not essential as practice tracks will be available. We learn 4 pieces to sing between the readings and congregational carols. Practices will be at church 8.00pm on Wednesday evenings: 6 & 13 November and 4, 11, & 18 December. An opportunity to collect music and have a quick look at the pieces will take place at 11.50am on Sunday 3 November. We would also be delighted to hear from anyone who could accompany the choir on the electric piano for practices and/or for the service.

Speak to Jenny Goulding for more information: goulding81@tiscali.co.uk

All Saints' Church Notices



Emergency Prayer Chain: jenny.britt@yahoo.com

ALL SAINTS' DAY CELEBRATIONS SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER AT 12NOON Please come for a bring and share lunch at 12noon, following the special Communion service on 27 October. There is a sign up sheet so we know that there will be a range of dishes, but you are very welcome to come and join us even if you don't manage to sign up in advance.

KNIT AND KNATTER We will be taking a break this week as its half-term but will be back next Wednesday 6 November between 2-4pm. Do come and join us.

SUNDAY CLUB REGISTRATION We are doing a full refresh of our registration details for the children in Sunday Club. Parents / carers, please complete a new form if you have not already done so this school term. This will be updated annually as part of our efforts to keep your children as safe and flourishing as possible.

DCC NEEDS A NEW SECRETARY! The role includes arranging papers for meetings and minute taking. A volunteer to help the smooth running of the church in this way would be greatly appreciated. Please speak to James.

WE WILL NOT BE HAVING A SEPARATE TRAVELLING CRIB at All Saints this advent so if anyone would like to take part please contact Pamela or the office to take part—see Parish Notices.

WORKING PARTY - INDOORS AS WELL AS OUT! You are welcome to come along on the first Saturday of each month when we get together to care for the grounds at All Saints' and to dust, sweep and generally clean the church. We meet from 9.30 -11.30am or whatever time you can manage. Our next session will be on **Saturday 2 November** . Coffee served, jobs done, fun had.



What's on This Week

Monday 28

9.15am

Simon and Jude, Apostles

Morning Prayer at All Saints'

Tuesday 29

9.00am

Morning Prayer at St Mary's

2.00pm

Funeral of the late Pamela Hoath at St Nicholas'

Wednesday 30

9.00am

Morning Prayer at All Saints'

10.30am

Holy Communion at St Nicholas'

5.00pm

Evening Prayer at St Nicholas'

Thursday 31

11.00am

Thanksgiving service for the late Brian Saffery at All Saints'

Friday 1 November

2.00pm

'Saints and Sausages' Family Event in St Nicholas' Church Hall - see Parish Notices

Saturday 2

10.30am

Holy Communion (BCP) at St Nicholas'

3.00pm

Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance at St Nicholas' - see Parish Notices

Sunday 3 November – All Saints' Day (St N & St M only)

Fourth Sunday before Advent (AS)

8.00am

Holy Communion at St Nicholas'

President & Preacher - Revd Mark Rodel

9.30am

Sung Eucharist at St Nicholas'

President & Preacher - Revd Mark Rodel

This service will be live streamed on [facebook.com/StNicholasChurchHarpenden](https://www.facebook.com/StNicholasChurchHarpenden)

9.30am

Family Worship at St Mary's

Led by Jenny Goulding & Nina Featherstone

Live-streamed on www.facebook.com/StMarysKinsbourneGreen

10.00am

Morning Worship at All Saints'

Leader - Philip Le Riche; Preacher - Revd James Brown

Zoom details available in the weekly email sending the pew leaflet or by request from associate.vicar@allsaints.parishofharpenden.org

11.00am

Said Holy Communion at St Mary's

President & Preacher - Revd Nick Goulding

11.30am

Café Church in St Nicholas' Church Hall

Led by Suzanne Rose

4.30pm

Simply Worship at St Nicholas' Church

6.30pm

Choral Evensong at St Nicholas'

Readings

Isaiah 25.6-9 Revelation 21.1-6a John 11.32-44 (St N & St M)
Deuteronomy 6.1-9 Hebrews 9.11-14 Mark 12.28-34 (AS)