



3 November 2024

All Saints

Welcome to our services today

9am Parish Eucharist at St John's
10.30am All Age Eucharist at St Mary's

Music: Organist St. John's: Keith Green, **Hymns 683, 298, 291 (verses 5, 7, 8 & doxology).** **Organist St. Mary's:** Alan Cafaude, **Hymns: Order of Service.**

The Benefice Online Services; 'Meeting Point' and 'Celtic Midweek Liturgy' are for you if you missed our services in church, or for further reflection during the week. <https://www.stmaryhighamferrers.org/online-worship>

Next Week

Mon 4 *1pm Funeral of Alan Land at St Mary's*
6pm Evening Prayer at St John's
Tues 5 *7.30pm Bellingring Practice at St Mary's*
Wed 6 *10am Morning Prayer at St Mary's*
Thurs 7 *10am Said Eucharist at St Mary's with Coffee & Chat to 12noon*
7pm Celtic Service in the Chantry Chapel
Sat 9 *12noon Baptism at St Mary's*

Sunday 10 November 2024 Remembrance Day

9am Parish Eucharist at St John's followed by Remembrance at the War Memorials in the churchyard
10am Parish Eucharist at St Mary's (**NOTE TIME CHANGE**) to be followed by -
10.50am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial on Market Square, followed by refreshments in the Bede House.
Displays of Remembrance Art in St Mary's from Sunday to Tuesday

Collect Prayer.

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.**

Revelation 21:1-6a

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.’ And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new.’ Also he said, ‘Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.’ Then he said to me, ‘It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.’

John 11:32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, ‘Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.’ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, ‘Where have you laid him?’ They said to him, ‘Lord, come and see.’ Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, ‘See how he loved him!’ But some of them said, ‘Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?’

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, ‘Take away the stone.’ Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, ‘Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead for four days.’ Jesus said to her, ‘Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?’ So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upwards and said, ‘Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.’ When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, ‘Lazarus, come out!’ The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, ‘Unbind him, and let him go.’

Post Communion Prayer.

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Children are welcome at all our Services in both churches, we have children's areas with colouring and toys, and are looking at ways to better include them in all we do. We understand that some of our services can seem long to little ones, and it is absolutely fine if they need to wriggle or play or move around.

For your Prayers.

Our prayers have been asked for: Karen Addis, Brian Bond, Liz Boughton, Nola Brockhouse, Simon Brown, Ian Challen, Marian Cox, Lynda & Peter Etheridge, Christine Franklin, Andrew Fulcher, Colin Gilkes, Margaret Janowski, Sarah Knight, Marion Knott, Sally Mayes, Lorcan McLaren (age 11), Emily Ogden, Freda Pack, Ken & Val Robinson, Fr. Nichols Spencer, Elizabeth Swindley, Stewart Wiles, Clare Yorke. **St John's:** Jo Barrie, Pauline Brown, Lesley Littlejohn, Dr Northover, Brenda May, Lynn Redgagte, Arthur & Anita Wright.

In memorium: Alan Land

Year's mind anniversaries: Charles Cunningham, Henry Webb, Selina Boxall, Horace Dunkley, Hannah Wilby, Ada Lambert, Frank Betts, Lilian Banham, Jean Daker, Ethel Mepham, John Carmichael, Cyril Allen, Muriel Palmer, Millicent Cherry, Harold Ball, Emily Cox, Gordon Smith, Betty Knight, Terence Horsfield, Winifred Aries, Alfred Sudborough, John Connolly, Alfred Lucas, Peggy Rial, Malcolm Sharpe, Desmond Holpin, Alastair Bence, Antonio Bonito.

NOTICES

ST. MARY'S



Can you help inventory the Bede House kitchen contents on Saturday 9 November? Bonus points to anyone that can identify the newest of the tea pots, we have a lot! Also aiming to find the items left behind which are not ours. Once the inventory is done, we can arrange a deep clean.

Mothers' Union Our next meeting will be in church at 2 pm on Thursday 7 November when members and visitors are asked to bring a teacup and saucer (or a mug if you prefer) in which to create your own individual floral display. All materials will be provided and there's no charge, just donations for refreshments please. All are welcome, just let Ruth or Jane know by Wednesday 6 Nov. if you'll be joining us so we can provide enough materials.



**** Higham Sparkle 23 November **** With stalls in the church, Chantry Chapel and grounds, the Bede House is hosting refreshments only. May we please have

offers of help and homemade cakes. Good raffle items are sought to make up three prize hampers; Christmas, Chocolate and Bottle. We are also seeking lots of small prizes for our well loved tombola, both adult and child friendly. Thanks!

Confirmation Service. It is with huge pleasure that I can say this will take place at St Mary’s on 15 December at 10.30am with Bishop John. Please put this date in your diary to come and support our candidates on a very important day.

ST JOHN’S

Soup, tea & cakes, 1-3pm 19 Nov Knit and Natter, 1-3pm 22 Oct, 26 Nov

**** Christmas Fair ** 16 November from 10am to 4pm.** Our traditional Christmas Fair with recycled Christmas decorations, lots of gift items, crafts, refreshments and more. Currently seeking tombola prizes, raffle prizes and a reminder for homemade cakes please and offers of help. Thank you!

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The Benefice administration office is usually open Tuesday and Fridays 9.30am to 2.30pm. Please use email if possible and await a reply.

Mthr Louise is off duty Wednesday 6 November

