

ALL SAINTS'



This week's Newsbulletin

All Saints' Welcomes Everyone

Services for this week

5th Sunday of Easter 2nd May

10.00 All the Family Service in All Saints

10.00 Family Service on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87271593002?pwd=Um5QT3Z2ZEZXS0VLa3pTaG13cUxTZz09>

Meeting ID: 872 7159 3002

Passcode: 967985

Tuesday 4th

11.00 Morning Prayer on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88015708219>

Meeting ID: 880 1570 8219

'Zoom'-ing by 'phone

Call 0203 051 2874, 0203 481 5237, 0203 481

5240 or 0131460 1196 and use meeting id

followed by #

Please help us plan for the future

Dear Friends,

As we have had different times for services and times when we have been away from church, it can be useful to reflect, as restrictions ease, on what may work best for us in the future especially as we want to reach new people and grow our church. I would be very keen to hear from you and find out about how you are feeling about returning to worship in church, whether you would want to continue Sunday services on Zoom and what time for services works best for you. When we met at the later time, some of you pointed out that 11.30 was great as it allowed a bit more time to get going in the morning and others couldn't make that time as there were family commitments.

These are some of the possibilities from which we would be really keen to know your preferences (we can't promise to please everyone, but your answers are important to us.)

Should we:

1 Carry on indefinitely having a Zoom service every Sunday with different people taking it in turns to host and lead? (Church services would also happen).

2 Carry on with Zoom until July?

3 Have a weekly informal early Family service at 9.00- 9.30 am every week - would that work?

4 Have a slightly later weekly Eucharist / Holy Communion service at 11.00- 12.00?

5 Keep the pattern that we have had in the past with once a month all age Family Service and the other weeks Holy Communion always at 10.00am?

Please email me on vicar@allsaintshertford.org or leave a message on 01992 584899, telling me which number or numbers feel best from these options. It would be useful to have responses by the end of May please.

This week (2nd May) we are meeting **in Church at 10.00 am** and **on Zoom at 10.00**. This will enable us to see how everyone feels about returning to worship in Church and provide evidence as to whether we may need to keep up our Zoom Services.

The Children will lead our Family Service in Church and I, Leon and Verity will be there to greet you. We will have CD music and sing a hymn outside at the end. The theme that we will be reflecting on is Jesus who gives us the closeness to God.

If you can't join us in Church, then Janet will lead a Family Service on Zoom and Martin Penny will be hosting this. I do hope that you can join us at one of these services

Annual meetings 25th April

We held our annual meetings last Sunday on Zoom.

Churchwardens

There were three nominations for the post of Churchwarden. Rev Canon Jo Loveridge exercised her right under the Churchwardens Measure 2001 Section 4 clause (v) to appoint Nerine Chalmers (nominated by Ann-Marie Parker, seconded by Helen Harvey-Wright).

After a poll of 35 voters present, the meeting elected Janet Bird (nominated by Rev Canon Jo Loveridge, seconded by Nerine Chalmers). Congratulations to both and thanks to Leon Ajao for his service and willingness to stand.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Reports were presented on

- the changes to the Electoral Roll since the last Annual Meeting.
- the proceedings of the PCC and the activities of the parish generally (including safeguarding)
- the financial statements of the PCC for the year ending on the 31 December preceding the meeting,
- the annual Fabric Report under section 50 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018
- a Report of the proceedings of the Deanery Synod and
- Election of PCC Members.

All these, and reports from various groups are on our website at <https://www.allsaintshertford.org/apcm.php>

Elections to PCC

Deanery Synod representatives

There were three nomination for three posts, so the following were declared duly elected:

Colin Bird proposed by Martin Penny, seconded by Dorothy Toyn

Janet Bird proposed by Nerine Chalmers, seconded by Ann Stephens-Jones

Dorothy Toyn proposed by Colin Bird, seconded by Janet Bird

PCC Lay representatives (total of 12)

Please note that four people were elected in 2020 to serve until 2023:

Andrew Belfield, Rosemary Bolton, Martin Penny and Andrew Povey-Richards leaving up to eight vacancies.

Five nominations were received and so the following were all declared duly elected:

Wendell Newbold proposed by Nerine Chalmers, seconded by Ann Stephens-Jones

Mary Penny proposed by Julia Gough, seconded by Janet Bird

Verity Tranter proposed by Nerine Chalmers, seconded by Helen Harvey—Wright

Helen Briggs proposed by Ann-Marie Parker, seconded by Rev Canon Jo Loveridge

Lisa Meakin proposed by Rev Canon Jo Loveridge, seconded by Janet Bird

This means that there are three 'casual' vacancies. If you feel you would like to contribute do please speak to Jo.



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