ALL SAINTS'



This week's Newsbulletin

All Saints' Welcomes Everyone

Services/events for this week

Trinity Sunday 30th April

10.00 Said Eucharist in All Saints, with choral and organ music.

We will follow the government guidelines of distancing, sanitising, facemasks and no conversation in church.

Tuesday 25th 11.00 Morning Prayer on Zoom

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88015708219 Meeting ID: 880 1570 8219

Saturday 5th June
12.00 Open rehearsal of HFoM Orchestra
17.30 Concert by Chloe Hanslip, HFoM
Orchestra, Tom Hammond
20.00 Concert by Chloe Hanslip, HFoM

'Zoom'-ing by 'phone

Orchestra, Tom Hammond

Call 0203 051 2874, 0203 481 5237, 0203 481 5240 or 0131460 1196 and use meeting id followed by #

The Trinity

Dear Friends,

This Sunday is Trinity Sunday, when we reflect on God as Creator, Saviour and Spirit. It's a time that preachers find quite difficult as the Trinity is such a mystery that they will inevitably make lots of doctrinal mistakes and get quite tangled in knots if they try to explain it! I will not be pursuing a doctrinal exposition, you'll be relieved to hear, but rather concentrating on the theme of the Trinity being a dynamic community and how we are challenged to live in community reflecting this joyful, creative, compassionate community ourselves.

There are so many other ways in which we can reflect on the Trinity and here is a great

poem that looks at the Trinity from the point of view of creation. I believe that it would be good to read and re-read this several times this week:

Love and prayers, Jo



Trinity: Dorothy Toyn

Trinity A Poem by Dave Hopwood

In the beginning,
when all was not as it is now;
in the darkness,
when light was just a twinkle in the Creator's eye;
in the past,
when history was waiting to be born;
a new day dawned.

A day when the Creator shaped the universe by the power of his living Word, and the breath of his life-giving Spirit.

He spoke and called forth life, he breathed and his spirit hovered over the waters, he took dust and formed the foundations.

Creator, Word, Spirit.

The Holy Community,
working, living, being as one,
harmonised in love and purpose,
shaping, forming, gifting light and life.
Before time, throughout time, when time has run its
course.

Days without number, life without end.

Love without limit.

Three and one, above us, beyond us, beside us, within.

Mysterious and majestic, humble and holy, creative and kind. Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

On-line services

We are in dialogue with the staff of the Care Homes whose residents usually join us on a Sunday on Zoom, looking. Unfortunately, we have yet to hear their detailed thoughts. We are pursuing this with them in the hope of achieving a resolution very soon.

In the meantime, if you are unable to join us in person then there are two live streamed services this Sunday that are readily accessible.

National Service

Led by Rev Rebecca Mathew, vicar of St Nicholas Church, Allestree and St Paul's, Quarndon in the Diocese of Derby, our sermon from Rev Shemil Mathew, Chaplain for Oxford Brookes University, explores the way in which God is revealed to us through the Trinity and how we are reminded of our own relationships, communities and global networks.

The service will be livestreamed at 9.00 am and available to watch thereafter at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NNgFG UDdClg and the order of service can be downloaded from cofe.io/TrinitySunday.

St Alban's Cathedral

The Cathedral will also be live streaming a Choral Eucharist at 11.15 on Youtube at https://youtu.be/jB0-p_e9eZw.

Full details (and links to the orders of service etc) can be found at

https://www.stalbanscathedral.org/live-streaming-at-st-albans-cathedral

Messy Church

All Saints Messy Church will be joining the Hertford Castle Enchanted Fairy Trail which lasts from May 29 to June 6. Luella, Soraia and Isabel have been working hard on the structure, and families are invited to add to it once it is in place. The attached image shows the beginnings of the full display.



Caring for God's Acre

The talk and slides on Peregrine Falcons that Barry Trevis shared with us on zoom was very well received and sparked considerable interest. We are very grateful to Barry and his wife Lyn for all their support.

Building on that talk, we are planning to join the Caring for God's Acre drive to record the wildlife in our churchyard between 5 and 13 June.

All are welcome to join us by noting whatever wildlife that you see in the churchyard between those dates. This could involve birds, insects, small mammals, amphibians, and any plant life.



There is a very useful guide which can be accessed here

https://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/CfGA-Starter-Guide_English_2021-new-logo.pdf . To make a record there is a form that you can pick up in church, or you can download from https://www.allsaintshertford.org/downloads/recording-form.pdf or you can send the following information by email to Nerine (njchalmers@gmail.com).

- A list of what you saw as accurate species names as possible, but common names are also fine.
- The date on which you saw each item on your list.
- Your name

Please spread the word among friends and family. The more records we receive the better!

Hertfordshire Festival of Music



The 2021 Season of the Hertfordshire Festival of Music involves no less than six events in All Saints. All five concerts will last approximately one hour and will be socially distanced.

- ➤ A free open rehearsal specially aimed at families and young children on Saturday 5th 12.00-12.45 – noise welcome!
- ➤ Two orchestral concerts with Chloe Hanslip, Violin, the HFoM Orchestra

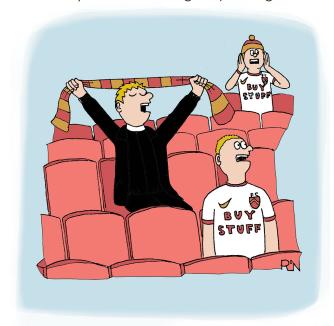
- conducted by Tom Hammond also on Saturday 5th at 17.30 and 20.00.
- ➤ Two concerts by wind group Fontanella on Sunday 6th at 13.00 and 15.30.
- ➤ A Piano recital by Florian Mitrea on Wednesday 9th at 12.00

More information https://www.hertsmusicfest.org.uk/

Music in Church

Current Government restrictions limit us to a total of six singers (including children).

We will be singing an Introit, an Offertory and a Motet at Communion – but these will be rather simple while we find our feet. There will be organ music beforehand and a (short)piece afterwards as we gather (suitably distanced) outdoors to sing a hymn together.



Peter missed singing so much, he went to a football match

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