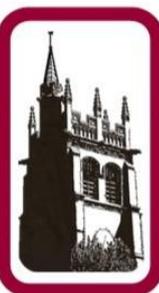


## ALL SAINTS'



## ALIVE

All Saints' Welcomes Everyone

**"Forever"**

Dear Friends,

It turns out that several other people in the parish enjoy watching *Escape to the Country* regularly, so I feel reasonably confident in following my last letter (as originally intended) with a second based on the said series. Maybe next time it will be the *Mystery* letter?

One phrase used frequently by *Escapees* is that they are looking for their "Forever Home". Sometimes people swoon as they look at a chocolate box wonder of the latest marvel to be revealed, or maybe it takes the island in the kitchen, the Inglenook fireplace or the deceptively capacious ensuite before they almost pass out in ecstasy. I have looked at a few properties over the years and never experienced such joy, but it must be delightful to finally find your Forever Home. At least until you hear the cost and implications in the garden guessing game.



A forever home is something which, despite it all, we simply cannot have in this world. If we think we can have it, we are deceiving ourselves (BCP) – or the estate agents are.

There is so much emphasis on such worldly things these days, both what we can potentially possess and what is not possible. In a time of high inflation the concern and fear that rising prices on everything from housing to food is a natural concern, but spiritually we cannot afford to put our trust in wealth and acquisitions. *"For here we have no abiding city, but we look for that which is to come"* (Hebrews 13.14). The forever home cannot be ours in this life. Yet we can build our lives in faithful trust, knowing that we are held in love and that Jesus' salvation is what will truly bring us our forever home. Jesus says *"My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you?"* (John 14.2).



We have been deeply saddened by the death of our late Queen Elizabeth II, and our service at All Saints with the signing of the Book of Condolence has been very moving. The sight of miles of people queuing in London to pay their respects, often waiting for 12-24 hours for the privilege, has also been unprecedented. Her funeral on 19<sup>th</sup> September was an outpouring of love and sadness. It has been said that the late Queen's death has reminded many of their own mortality, with some grieving more than for their own relatives, perhaps because it is such a shared grief. It can also remind us that none of us has a forever home in this world, nor a forever palace, and the ceremony in Westminster Abbey reminded us strongly that the Queen was a firm believer in our Lord Jesus Christ.

The things we take for granted, and rely on, are also impermanent. We can't escape that. The price of food and energy is increasing,

largely due to the military incursion in the Ukraine. Did we realise that Russia supplied so much energy? Were we aware that Ukraine produced so much of the wheat which we and other nations need?



With Harvest Thanksgiving approaching on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, we can be yet more thankful that we can still receive our daily bread – something which people in many parts of the world, including Africa and Pakistan, cannot be sure of. In our personal gratitude we need to remember others' needs, along with noticing that in human life we cannot use that special word "Forever" lightly.

*As Jesus says, "Very truly I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. .... I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh" (John 6.50-51).*

With love and prayers,  
Jo

## **The Friends of All Saints in support of ALFS Herts**

The Friends of All Saints, a group which will soon be officially launched, is starting with a soft launch in the form of a photographic exhibition of life on Ukraine's front line. ALFS Herts - (Animal Larder Food and Shelter) is primarily a charity which supports animals, but when they started working in Ukraine and saw first-hand the devastation suffered by the human population as well as the animals, they turned their attention to helping specific groups of people who were under the radar of the big aid agencies.



The Exhibition of Photographs will be held in All Saints church, and will be open at the following times:

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2:00 pm - 7:00pm  
(Refreshments provided)

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 7.00 pm –  
8.30pm. Presentation and discussion  
with wine and nibbles,

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday  
26<sup>th</sup> - 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm.



Free entry and refreshments, but donations in cash or kind will be welcome to support ALF's aid convoy to Ukraine.

Please come and view the exhibition, join the presentation and discussion on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> and donate to help ALF's aid convoy provide relief to the suffering and dispossessed in Ukraine now.

More information on ALF's can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/alfsherts/>

## Soundbites

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# Soundbites

A Term-Time Series of Concerts on Wednesday Lunch-Times  
(Light Lunches served from 12noon for Concerts at 1.00pm)

<p><b>Wednesday 5 October 2022</b> <b>David Zucchi</b> (Saxophone)</p>  <p>Movements from Bach's Cello Suite No. 3 in C Major with music by Brian Elias, Billie Holliday and Duke Ellington</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 19 October 2022</b> <b>David Silkoff</b> (Piano)</p> <p>Chaconne in D minor for violin transcribed for piano by Busoni - J.S. Bach Sonata in C major Op 53 'Waldestein' - Beethoven Ballade No. 1 in G minor - Chopin</p> 
<p><b>Wednesday 12 October 2022</b> <b>Joe Chu-Yu Yang</b> (Violin) <b>Eric McElroy</b> (Piano)</p> <p>Cheryl Frances-Hoad: Bloom Gerald Finzi: Elegy Malcolm Arnold: Five Pieces Ivor Gurney: The Apple Orchard Arthur Bliss: Violin Sonata</p>	<p><b>Wednesday 26 October 2022</b> Great choral classics from five centuries performed by <b>Choir 18</b> Music Director <b>David Boarder</b></p> <p><b>Free Admission with Retiring Collection in Aid of All Saints' Church</b></p>

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH** - Queens Road, Hertford, Hertfordshire SG13 8AY  
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Detailed notes on these concerts are available on our website at <https://www.allsaintshertford.org/concerts.php>

## Zero Emissions – a role for the Church?

Professor of Engineering and the Environment at Cambridge University Julian Allwood gave a frank overview of the challenges of the reality of reaching zero emissions in a talk given at Ely Cathedral on Tuesday 20 September 2022 in conjunction with Church Times.

He explained the hurdles that churches will encounter, and what the options are for

creating a zero emissions commitment that can truly be delivered on.

The talk was live streamed and can be viewed on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/WOIXnJ8OzXY>

Church Times published a related article on 16<sup>th</sup> September, which can be read at <https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2022/16-september/features/features/real-zero-four-awkward-truths-about-reaching-net-zero>

Ely Cathedral have an extensive Autumn programme of events under the title The Voice of the Earth: Global Exploitation - or Global Flourishing?

A brochure can be viewed and/or downloaded at <https://cdn.elycathedral.org/uploads/pdfs/Th e-Voice-of-the-Earth-web.pdf?v=1662988562>

## HCS Concert

Hertford Choral Society celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of composer Ralph Vaughan Williams on 12<sup>th</sup> October 1872 with a performance of a selection of his works.

Hertford Choral Society presents

# Toward the Unknown Region

Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Ralph Vaughan Williams

**7.30pm, Saturday 29th October 2022**  
All Saints' Church, Hertford SG13 8AY

A selection of works by Ralph Vaughan Williams  
M Bruch – 1st Violin Concerto

**Tickets:**  
£16 reserved / £12 unreserved / £4 for students  
Email: [tickets@hertfordchoral.org.uk](mailto:tickets@hertfordchoral.org.uk)  
Online: [www.ticketsource.co.uk](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk) (booking fee applies)  
In person: Hertford Town & Tourist Information Centre, 10-12 The Wash, Hertford SG14 1PX (unreserved only)

For more information please visit [www.hertfordchoral.org.uk](http://www.hertfordchoral.org.uk)



Orchestra: Serafine Sinfonia  
Violin: Diana Galvydyte  
Baritone: Samuel Morton-Morris  
Conductor: Manvinder Rattan



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# Parish Diary for October 2022

## Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> (Remegius)

1.00 pm Wedding of Chris Fryer & Anca Lupu

## Harvest Sunday/ Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity 2<sup>nd</sup>

10.00 am Family Service for Harvest

12.00 noon Holy Baptism

12.30 pm Harvest Lunch

6.30 pm Choral Communion

## Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>

9.45 am Simon Balle Harvest Service

12 noon for 1.00 pm Soundbites

David Zucchi - Saxophone

## Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> (William Tyndale)

11.00 am Morning Prayer

7.30 pm All Saints Art

## Friday 7<sup>th</sup>

10.00 am Morgans School Harvest Festival

5.30 pm Choir Practices in Church

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Parish Communion

6.30 pm Choral Evensong

## Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> (Ethelburga)

11.00 am Morning Prayer on Zoom

7.30 pm MU: "Doing our own thing"

## Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> (Wilfred)

12 noon for 1.00 pm Soundbites

Joe Chu-Yu Yang - Violin

Eric McElroy - Piano

## Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> (Edward the Confessor)

11.00 am Morning Prayer

7.30 pm All Saints Art

## Friday 14<sup>th</sup>

5.30 pm Choir Practices in Church

## Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> (Teresa of Avila)

9.00 am Work Party

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Family Eucharist

12.00 noon Trafalgar Day Service

6.30 pm Choral Compline

## Monday 17<sup>th</sup> (Ignatius)

6.30 pm Fellowship Group

## Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> (Luke the Evangelist)

11.00 am Morning Prayer on Zoom

## Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> (Henry Martin)

12 noon for 1.00 pm Soundbites

David Silkhoff - Piano

## Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

11.00 am Holy Communion in Church

7.30 pm All Saints Art

## Friday 21<sup>st</sup>

5.30 pm Choir Practices in Church

## Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup>

2.00pm Exhibition of Photographs ALFS

7.00 pm Presentation & discussion ALFS

## Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Last Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Parish Communion

12.00 noon Holy Baptism

6.30 pm Choral Evensong

## Monday 24<sup>th</sup>

4.00pm-7.00pm Exhibition of Photographs ALFS

## Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> (Crispin and Crispinian)

11.00 am Morning Prayer on Zoom

4.00pm-7.00pm Exhibition of Photographs ALFS

## Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> (Alfred)

12 noon for 1.00 pm Soundbites

Choir 18, director David Boarder

4.00pm-7.00pm Exhibition of Photographs ALFS

## Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>

11.00 am Holy Communion in Church

7.30 pm All Saints Art

7.30 pm HCS Rehearsal

## Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> (James Hannington)

7.30 pm Concert HCS

## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> All Saints Sunday

10.00 am Parish Communion

4.00 pm Messy Church

6.30 pm Informal service for the season of All Saints

## NOVEMBER Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>

9.30 onwards Music event for schools by HFoM

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