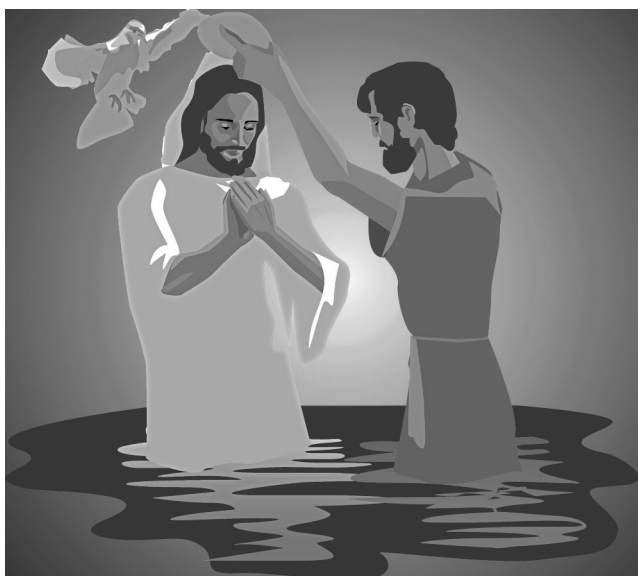


## THE PARISH OF ST MARY &amp; ST PAUL



**Welcome** to our services today: Please join us for refreshments after the 9.30am service - these are served in the church hall at St Mary's and in the Parish Room at St Paul's. If this is your first visit to us then please make yourself known to one of the Clergy or a Welcomer.

**Communion:** All are welcome at the Lord's Table. If you do not usually receive the Bread and Wine please come forward and bow your head for a prayer of blessing.

**Receiving Communion in your seat:** If you might find it hard to climb the steps at the front of church (St Mary's) or to approach the altar rail (St Paul's) then please mention this to a Welcomer who can arrange for Communion to be brought to your seat.

**Gluten Free Wafers & Alcohol Free Wine:** These are available if requested before the start of the service. Please speak to a Welcomer, Churchwarden or the Virger. (See Communion in One Kind, below, if you don't request this in time).

**Communion in One Kind:** Please remember - if you haven't requested Gluten Free or Alcohol Free Communion or you have a cold and decide not to receive from the Common Cup - that receiving in only one kind (just bread or wine) is a complete and valid Communion. (As the Councils of the Church have said: 'Christ is really present and is received whole and entire, body and blood, soul and divinity, under either species alone.')

Intinction of the host (dipping the bread) is discouraged.

**Giving:** Please join our stewardship scheme, and either give via standing order or by the special envelopes provided. If you are a UK tax payer please also complete a GiftAid form so we can claim a refund from the Government. Please ask a Welcomer for an information pack. If you are a part of the Planned Giving Scheme paying by standing order, please remember to collect a mini-card before the Service to place in the collection.

**Prayers:** If you would like a prayer said with you after the service - or at any other time - please speak to one of the Clergy. (At St Mary's, prayers are available in the Chapel of the Holy Spirit to the left of the altar, once you have received Communion).

## Readers & Intercessors

Today	Readers	Intercessors
St Mary's	Valerie Beller Philip Russell Rosamund Russell	Norma Podmore
St Paul's	Jean Corfield	Fergus Maclean

Hymns	St Mary's 175, 302, 68, 293	St Paul's 221, 573, 716, 631
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Next Week	Readers	Intercessors
St Mary's	Stephen Crawley Maureen Stacey Lynne Sygrave	Rosamund Russell
St Paul's	Fergus Maclean	Gordon Gaddes

Please continue to remember in your prayers:

**Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** The Anglican Church of Australia; Archbishop of Melbourne & Primate of Australia: Philip Freier.

**Our Diocese:** Amphill and Shefford Eversholt. Stephen Nuth, (R) Malcolm Curtis, (LLW) Fay Grech-Marguerat. Thanksgiving: Bells re-tuned and re-hung. Village residents learning to ring. Prayers: Pray for the new Service of the Word on the first Sunday of each month.

**Our Deanery: St John's, Boxmoor** Please give thanks for: Ruth Goatly as she re-establishes herself as part of the Ministry Team, and for her work in renewing our Pastoral Care and Discipleship courses.

**Churches Together in Hemel Hempstead Prayer Calendar:** Our combined witness to the town in the coming year.

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## Director of Music

We are pleased to announce that Mr Peter Lipman has been appointed as Director of Music and Organist of the Parish of St Mary and St Paul, Hemel Hempstead. Peter will be starting this role on February 1st 2019 and we look forward to welcoming him amongst us.

Andrew Darby and Michael Robinson, for whose musicianship and service we are continually grateful, will remain organists at our two churches.

Please remember Peter, Andrew, Michael and the choir in your prayers at this time.

**Liberty Tea Rooms** offer kind support, tea, cake and toasties to people of all backgrounds and means in our town. Canon John now has some £6 vouchers to enable us to support people on the margins who might need food and drink as well as a supportive chat. Speak to him for more information or if you know of anyone who needs a voucher.

**Next Bible Study Group meeting** at St Paul's will be at 3.00pm on Wednesday 6th February.

## New Weekly Home Group at St Paul's

The new weekly home group has been established at St Paul's on Fridays where we incorporate mini bible studies and prayers and support one another. This group is led by Revd Rickey Simpson-Gray. The next meeting is on Friday All are welcome to join us.

**Open Church** We started opening the church on a Saturday morning in December 2015 so we have now been doing it for 3 years. Each year the number of people coming in to see the church and have a chat has risen. Our record is not exact and there are a few days unrecorded but the tally for 2018, without counting the Halloween Sunday is over 900. Well worth doing, so thank you to all who help in this way.

**The 100-club** January draw was won by number 33 - Mina Caruth.

### **Diary Dates**

Sun 28 April 2019

APCM at St Pauls, time tba.

Fri 14 Jun - Sun 16 June 2019

Art in the Nave at St Mary's

## Parish Diary for the week commencing 13th January

Sunday	8.00am	Holy Communion	StM
13 Jan	9.30am	Holy Communion	StP
	9.30am	Sung Eucharist	StM
Baptism of Christ			
Monday			
14 Jan			
Tuesday			
15 Jan			
Wednesday	10.30am	Holy Communion	StM
16 Jan	3.00pm	Bible Study Group	StP
Thursday			
17 Jan			
<i>Antony of Egypt, Hermit, Abbot, 356</i>			
Friday	11.00am	Weekly Meeting Group	StP
18 Jan	7.30pm	Choir Practice	StM
<i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</i>			
Saturday	10.00am	Open Church	StM
19 Jan			
<i>Wulfstan, Bishop of Worcester, 1095</i>			
Sunday	8.00am	Holy Communion	StM
20 Jan	9.30am	Holy Communion	StP
	9.30am	Sung Eucharist	StM
Third Sunday of Epiphany			

Evening Prayer is said most weekdays at St Mary's at 5.15pm

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