

St Mary the Virgin & All Saints, Potters Bar**15th July 2018****The Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

*A warm welcome to St Mary's,
especially if this is your first time here.*

*Refreshments are served after the Parish Eucharist.
We look forward to meeting you and seeing you again.*

TODAY'S SERVICES8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**10.00am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

Old Testament Reading: Amos 7 vv 7-15 *Amos, denounced by Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, is bidden to cease prophesying evil against Israel. Amos gives a spirited refusal.*

New Testament Reading: Ephesians 1 vv 3-14 *St Paul explains our wonderful privilege and destiny as the adopted children of God.*

Gospel: Mark 6 vv 14-29 *Herod murders John the Baptist.*

Hymns: 391 – King of glory, King of peace
15 – The Lord will come and not be slow
393 – Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us
295 – Let all mortal flesh keep silence
103 – Alleluya! Alleluya!

6.30pm **Evensong at Christ Church, Little Heath**

Our flowers this week have been arranged by Thelma Sillis

The Week Ahead**Tuesday – Friday** 9.00am Morning Prayer**Tuesday – Friday** 5.00pm Evening Prayer**Tuesday** 9.30am Holy Communion
2.00pm Mayfair Lodge service**Wednesday** 9.30am Church cleaning**Thursday** 9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Church cleaning**Saturday** 3.30pm Wedding of Fr Stefan Chrysostomou and Meryl Noronha**Next Sunday** is the **Feast of St Mary Magdalene**

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

Our celebrant & preacher will be Fr Tom Baron

5.00pm Evensong

Eucharist readings will be: Song of Solomon 3 vv 1-4;
2 Corinthians 5 vv 14-17 and John 20 vv 1-2, 11-18.

A PRAYER FOR THE HOLIDAY CLUB

Loving God and Father, we thank you for this opportunity to work together with other churches in witness to our community. We thank you for all those offering their time and their skills as leaders, helpers and supporters.

We pray for stamina to sustain their efforts and for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in all that is said and done.

We thank you for the children that are coming, knowing that each one is special and loved by you. We pray that as they enjoy the activities and make new friends, they will come to know, understand and receive the wonderful gift of life and faith in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Parish Notices

Church cleaning will take place **this Wednesday** and **Thursday**. Please come along if you can help.

We pray for Fr Stefan and Meryl as they prepare for their wedding **next Saturday** at **3.30pm**. Everyone is welcome to attend the service. Please be aware that parking will be very difficult on that afternoon, so do share transport if possible.

The Churches Together Treasure Island **Holiday Club**, running from **23rd to 27th July** at Elm Court, is now full with a waiting list. The organisers would be grateful of offers of **cakes** during the week and help is also needed setting up next Sunday afternoon. If you can help, please email enquiries@pbchurchesholidayclub.co.uk and if you do not have email, please contact Richard. Please take a prayer bookmark from the back of church and keep all involved in your prayers.

Watchers & Welcomers Heather would be grateful to have your holiday dates during September & October.

The Knit and Natter group meets on **Tuesday 31st July** at 12 noon. **Please note:** no meeting in August. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 25th September.

A reminder that **Children's Society** boxes are due in today. Thank you. *Anne Holt* (annev_holt@yahoo.co.uk)

The two seater sofa which was in the church office (now in the narthex) is available to anyone who can make arrangements for its removal. A donation to church funds would also be welcomed.

Peter & Shirley Baker would like to thank everyone for their prayers over the last 3 months. Peter is now very happy to be home from hospital.

For your prayers :

The sick Geof Masters, Nora Wood, Sheila Franklin, Sandra Meddes, David Evans, Jacqueline Thompson, Maddie Marchand, Phil & Stacey, Jean Pierre, Betty da Silva, Taj, Renu

We give thanks for an improvement in the health of Peter Baker and keep him and Shirley in our prayers

We also remember Joan Rutter, Nicola Stiff, Marilyn Grosse, Margaret Bowers, Marjorie Zerfahs, Sophia, Dominic Hilton, John Thompson, Nick Brindley, Barbara Stratton, Christopher Schools, Greta Murphy, John Elliott, Molly Hines, Christine Barclay, Norma, Pat, Yvonne

The recently departed Pamela Gallant

Anniversaries of death Charles Knott, Reginald Dare, Alan Clinnick, Fr Peter Tabernacle, George Gilliam

Those preparing for Holy Matrimony Fr Stefan & Meryl; Ore Emmanuel & Claudine Stapleton

Our parish We remember those who live in The Close, Coningsby Drive and Coopers Lane

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Items for next week's sheet to Richard Osborn (Tel: 07803 756088 / e-mail: rmosborn@hotmail.com) by Thursday
Please let Fr Stefan know about illnesses or any other emergencies affecting parishioners.

THIS NEWS SHEET IS FOR YOU TO KEEP - PLEASE TAKE IT HOME WITH YOU