

**St Mary the Virgin and All Saints  
Potters Bar**

**23rd July 2017**

**The Sixth Sunday after Trinity**

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

*Refreshments are served after the 10am service.  
We look forward to meeting you and seeing you again.*

**TODAY'S SERVICES**

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**

*A warm welcome to our celebrant, **The Revd Philip Green**, Curate of St Peter's London Colney*

10.00am **HOLY COMMUNION by extension**

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 44 vv 6-8 *The prophet expounds the unique nature of the one true God.*

New Testament Reading: Romans 8 vv 12-25 *The Holy Spirit enables us to overcome our lower nature, to prepare for the glorious future which lies before us.*

Gospel: Matthew 13 vv 24-30, 36-43 *In the parable of the wheat and the weeds, we are reminded of God's plan for the human race and our eternal destiny.*

**Hymns:** 476 – Ye servants of God  
494 – Christ is the world's true light  
353 – Dear Lord and Father of mankind  
376 – I heard the voice of Jesus say  
271 – Alleluia, sing to Jesus

5.00pm **EVENSONG**

*Our flowers this week have been arranged by Liz Gordon and Lisa Brett and donated by Liz (see note in next column)*

**The Week Ahead**

**Please note:** There are no services of Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer this week.

**Tuesday**

**St James the Apostle**

9.30am Holy Communion

*Celebrant: The Revd Philip Green*

12 noon Knit and Natter Group meets

**Thursday**

No service of Holy Communion today

**Next Sunday** is the **Seventh Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am Holy Communion

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Revd Doug Loveridge*

10.00am **PARISH EUCHARIST**

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Revd Malcolm Hunter*

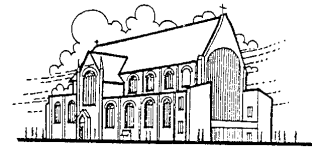
The readings next Sunday will be: 1 Kings 3 vv 5-12; Romans 8 vv 26-39 and Matthew 13 vv 31-33, 44-52.

A reminder that the church is usually open for visitors from 10am to 12 noon every Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

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**Parish Notices**

Our service at 10.00am today is a service of **Holy Communion by extension**, conducted by Richard. At this service, bread and wine which have been consecrated at our 8.00am service will be distributed at the time of Communion.

Our flowers this week have been donated by Liz Gordon to celebrate the wedding next Saturday of her daughter Rachel and her fiancé Robbie. The wedding will take place in Selwyn College Chapel, Cambridge. We send our prayers and congratulations to Rachel and Robbie, and best wishes for many happy years ahead.

The next recital will be on **Tuesday 1st August** at 12.30pm when we shall welcome Sally Quantrill and Lydia Bosworth (flute and piano) as our performers. The usual lunches will be available from 12 noon.

Many thanks to all **Children's Society** boxholders. **£178.80** was banked during the past week.

**Watchers & Welcomers** Please inform Heather of any holiday dates during September and October.

Mike Rolfe would be pleased to hear from anyone who would be willing to provide some storage space in a garage or shed for his gardening tools when he moves to a flat in the near future. His contact details are: 07752-002327 and [michael\\_40@btinternet.com](mailto:michael_40@btinternet.com)

Congratulations to St Mary's Brownies who raised **£200.98** for Cancer Research UK at a recent fundraising event.

**For your prayers :**

**The sick** John Gamby, Marjorie Zerafahs, Joan Rutter, James Street, Nora Wood, Jill West, Andrew Butcher, Judy Robertson, Sam, Margaret Matthews, Erlene Williams, Vicky, Jason, Norma, Samantha, Lesley Jayne, John Thompson, Jonathan Syms, Steph

**We also remember** Marilyn Grosse, Dominic Hilton, Mollie Brown, Janet Dear, Nicola Stiff, Nick Brindley, Fr Jeff & Barbara Stratton, Christopher Schools, Greta Murphy, Jean & Vic Cotton, Ivy Ponnaiyah, John Elliott, Molly Hines, Robert, David Evans, Pauline Barclay, Christine Barclay, Jan Davis, baby Ava

**The recently departed** Lilian Blundell

**Those whose anniversary of death falls this week** Gertrude Myring, Marion Alcock, Harry Knight, Marjorie Schofield, Tom Bridge, Henry Butcher, Clifford Lavin, Clara Summers, Charles Beauchamp

**Our parish** We remember those who live in Birch Grove, Blunfield and Bowmans Close

**Looking for a venue?** To hire St Mary's Hall, please contact Oliver Matley on 07880 860750

**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**