



The Trinity Ecumenical Partnership



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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 8TH MARCH

ST ALBANS

10.00 am Methodist morning service led by Revd Mandy Briggs with Holy Communion

6.30 pm Holy Communion

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am The Source, clergy led intergenerational service

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 15TH MARCH

ST ALBANS

10.00 am Methodist morning Mother's Day service led by Margaret Marshall

4.00 pm Afternoon Tea service led by Revd Stuart Radford with tea and cake at 3.00pm

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am Morning Worship with Local ministry Team

FUTURE SERVICES AT ST ALBANS

SUNDAY 22ND MARCH – Joint Ecumenical service at Holy Trinity at 11.00am and Evening Prayer at St Albans at 6.30pm

SUNDAY 29TH MARCH – Palm Sunday morning worship led by Stuart Hobbs

St Albans Safeguarding officer: kburridge1@sky.com

All items for the next news sheet please to Janet Email: cfn@live.co.uk

For all bookings of the Wesley Room please contact Sarah Turk at sarah.turk@stroudparishchurches.org.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

LENT GROUPS

We have decided to use the Lent course from LICC, it is called On Purpose and looks at God's purpose for various parts of our life. www.licc.org.uk and search for On Purpose. Continuing on Thursdays in the church beginning the evening at 7pm with refreshments and move to the discussion at 7.30pm, finishing around 9pm. Karen Burridge

LENT GROUPS - DAYTIME

For those who prefer not to turn out in the evening, there is an Anglican led Lent group series on Thursday afternoons at The Church of the Holy Spirit, Paganhill. Continuing on **Thursdays** from 1.30pm to 2.45pm. We will be following the **Lectio 365 course** (*Parking is available in the carpark near the Maypole Hall. Please do not park in Tesco Express carpark as they may charge*) All welcome and a good opportunity to share Lent ecumenically.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

"I will give you rest" World Day of Prayer 2026 Nigeria

This year our local service will be hosted by

RODBOROUGH TABERNACLE ON FRIDAY 13TH MARCH AT 2.00PM.

Each year, women from a different country craft the service, sharing their unique spiritual journey and culture. For 2026, the women of

Nigeria have written a service that speaks to our need for peace and solace, drawing on their faith and experiences of a world filled with struggles and anxieties.

This service is a powerful demonstration of global solidarity, shared at churches around the world every March. We regret that our service is being held a little later than the usual 'first Friday in March', but heartily welcome all to join us on March 13th at 2pm, at Rodborough Tabernacle, United Reformed Church, Tabernacle Walk, Stroud. GL5 3UJ. There will be refreshments after the service.

Please note: parking space at the church is a little limited, so car sharing would be much appreciated. For further information: Tel. Jo Smith 01453 834714



THE DOOR – AN EVENING OF CELEBRATION

An evening of celebration on **Tuesday 17th March** at Stroud Subscription Rooms.

All are welcome to join us as we step into a new season of life at The Door. We'll be looking back at last year's achievements, hearing from service users and staff, and looking forward with the launch of our new five-year strategy.



SONGS FOR THE SOUL

Songs for the Soul: Community Choirs Unite to Raise Funds for The Door Youth Project

Local music lovers are in for a treat with Songs for the Soul, a heartwarming fundraising concert in aid of a Stroud-based charity.

The event will bring together two vibrant community choirs – Whiteshill and Ruscombe Community Choir and The

Wednesdays Singing Group from Cheltenham, and promises an uplifting evening of music, harmony and hope in the acoustic setting of St Laurence Church, Stroud.

Songs for the Soul is being performed on **Friday, 20th March at 7:30pm**, and organised by choir leaders, Louise Johnson and Luc Bailey. It's a collaboration of shared voices for a shared purpose: The Door Youth Project. Tickets are £10 (free to under-11s and carers) and available from The Door shop, High Street, Stroud, the choirs, thedoor.org.uk/songs, or on the door. All proceeds will go to The Door, supporting its vital work with young people in the Stroud and North Cotswold areas.



PLANT SALE

Saturday 2nd May from 10.00am until around 12noon.

Please do think about the sale when you start gardening for the new season. Tomatoes, runner beans, sweetcorn, beetroot, green beans, leeks, peas, lettuces, cucumbers, courgettes etc all sell well so please could we have a good

variety. Thank you 😊 Also perennials, houseplants, annuals, herbs, in fact anything that grows! All are welcomed as well as garden bric-a-brac as long as it is in good condition.

Raising funds for The Door Youth Project

Songs for the Soul

Friday 20th March 7:30pm (Doors 7pm)

With performances from:

**Whiteshill and Ruscombe Community Choir
& The Wednesdays Singing Group**



Tickets: £10 (under 11's and carers free)
Available from The Choirs, The Door Shop
& thedor.org.uk/songs



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REGULAR MEETINGS



PRAYERTIME

Please come and spend Prayertime in private and shared prayer on Monday evening at 7.30pm – 8.30pm. In St Albans Church, starting with brief prayerful socialisation over tea and biscuits. Folk from all churches and none are very welcome.



HOLY TRINITY SATURDAY MORNING PRAYER TIME

Do join us on every third Saturday morning for a time of informal prayer, including prayers for those on our Prayer Board, the next date is: Saturday 21st March 9.30am-11.00am



CHRISTIAN CONVERSATION

Christian Conversation continues on Wednesday 18th March at 7.30pm. For more information, please contact Stuart



CRAFT AND CHAT GROUP

The next Craft and Chat group is on Monday 16th March, from 2.30pm-4.30pm at St Alban's, generally in the Wesley Room. Everyone welcome, to craft and/or to chat. Help available and beginner crafters welcome. More info from Karen Burridge, 752839, kburridge1@sky.com.



FRIDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Friday Night Fellowship will next be meeting on **Friday 6th March** at the home of Trisha Jones. Food will be shared and fellowship enjoyed. All welcome and lifts can be arranged.



SATURDAY AFTERNOON SOCIAL

Our next meeting date is **Saturday 7th March** from 3.30pm onwards with our usual bring and share tea. Do come and join us for an enjoyable afternoon of friendship and games. All ages are welcomed; bring your own favourite board games along with you or your knitting or whatever you like. It is simply an opportunity to spend some time together.