



The Trinity Ecumenical Partnership



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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 7TH JUNE

ST ALBANS

9.00 am Café service led by Ann Pearce with breakfast and music from Second String. A sharing service with the theme 'grounded in love'.

7.00 pm Fusebox with guest speaker Mike Dearsley

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am Sunday Praise with the Local Ministry Team and the Worship Band

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 14TH JUNE

ST ALBANS

9.00 am Methodist morning service led by Revd Robert Riddell with Holy Communion

6.30 pm Anglican Holy Communion

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am The Source, clergy led all age service

Wednesday 17th June

10.00 am Clergy led Holy Communion

FUTURE SERVICES AT ST ALBANS

SUNDAY 21ST JUNE – Local Arrangement Methodist morning service and Afternoon tea service at 4.00pm led by Revd Mandy Briggs preceded by tea and cake at 3.00pm

SUNDAY 28TH JUNE – Methodist morning service and Evening Prayer at 6.30pm

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

NEWS ITEMS AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

STROUD YARD TRAIL MONDAY AUGUST 31ST 10.00AM TO MID AFTERNOON

The Welcoming Everyone team is looking at ways of inviting people into St Alban's to get to know us better. We are thinking of joining the Stroud Yard Trail on August Bank Holiday Monday, but before we register, we want to check that there are people in our two congregations who would like to join us and have a table to recycle some of their belongings. We thought of registering as a multi-table site, if the weather is good with some tables outside and some inside and hopefully refreshments inside, as we did for the plant sale. This would give us another chance to also open the church for people to look around or spend time there. If you are interested, please let me know by email or in person, kburridge1@sky.com. This does not absolutely commit you, but we will need a good number to make a go of it. Thanks,
Karen

This week's message from Revd Coral Francis

If you read this week's Parish Newsletter you will see this message from Coral. As the theme for our Sunday morning service this week is 'grounded in love' I thought this verse from Lamentations was appropriate so I have included it here for you all to see.
Janet

"Last week we had a heatwave. Thankfully the temperature cooled down for all those who were taking part in the Team Pilgrimage. And now we are having to dodge showers - or take the risk of getting absolutely soaked if you are outside for more than a few minutes. Our English weather is so changeable and unpredictable - even at this time of the year. As I was reflecting on this earlier, I was reminded of a verse near the centre of the Old Testament book of Lamentations. English stories culminate with the climax to a story. Fairy stories in our culture end with a lesson to be learned. In Classic Hebrew the climax is in the centre of a passage or book. Lamentations is no exception. The central verse says :

'The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.' Lamentations 3v22

No matter what we face - or, whatever the weather - God's love for us is constant and something we can rely on. May we reflect on that this week whenever we are surprised by a change in weather!"

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 prayerful conversation 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 20th June** 9.30am-11.00am



CHRISTIAN CONVERSATION

Christian Conversation continues on **Wednesday 10th June** at 7.30pm. For more information, please contact Stuart



CRAFT AND CHAT GROUP

The next Craft and Chat group is on **Monday 15th June**, 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 5th June** at 7.30pm at the home of **Jacqui and Adrian Kilburn**. Food will be shared and fellowship enjoyed. All welcome and lifts can be arranged.



SATURDAY AFTERNOON SOCIAL

Our next meeting date is **Saturday 6th June** 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.