



Sunday 12 February 2023  
 Second Sunday Before Lent

## THE PARISH OF ST MARY & ST PAUL

New Parish Web Site [www.stmaryandstpaulhemel.org.uk](http://www.stmaryandstpaulhemel.org.uk)

### Services

#### St Mary's

Sun 12 Feb	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	9.30am	Sung Eucharist
Wed 15 Feb	10.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 19 Feb	8.00am	Holy Eucharist
	9.30am	Sung Eucharist

#### St Paul's

Sun 12 Feb	11.15am	Sung Eucharist
Sun 19 Feb	11.15am	Sung Eucharist

St Mary's Readers and Intercessor		
	Readers	Intercessor
Today	Norma Podmore Clare Darby	Norma Podmore
Next Week	Richard Leslie Lynne Sygrave	Richard Leslie

#### Parish Services on YouTube

To find this, visit our website or search for "St Mary and St Paul Hemel Hempstead" in YouTube and subscribe to the channel. Alternatively you can find the channel by using this link:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7U\\_Q1B-URNJ06ToEZePyPg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7U_Q1B-URNJ06ToEZePyPg)  
*(care with exact capitalisation).*

In the email version of this bulletin and on the website this link is clickable.

#### Our churches stream services to YouTube

By sitting in one of the marked front pews you may appear in the live stream. If you do not want your image streamed please sit further back.

**Use of INCENSE in our churches.** From time-to-time in our churches as part of the ongoing traditional services that we offer the burning of incense takes place. Also, to dispel the damp and musty smell that sometimes lingers in old buildings incense might be burnt. The Ordinariate congregation that uses St Paul's also, as part of their tradition, regularly burn incense. Incense has been burnt for centuries as part of Jewish and Christian worship, is often referenced in the Bible, and is used to venerate, bless and sanctify and as a sign of our prayers ascending to God. For some people a large amount of incense may cause discomfort and in such cases we seek to reduce the amount of incense, ventilate the building and help people to be seated near a door or source of clean air.

## Warm Hubs Initiative

The Warm Hub in St Mary's Hall will be each Wednesday from 10.00 am to 2.00pm.

Do come along and enjoy both warmth and fellowship if only for a mid-morning cup of coffee. Also spread the word where appropriate.

**LENT** starts on Ash Wednesday, 22nd February, and we will be having a Team Lent Course taking place around the four parishes, more details to follow soon.

## DENS Food Bank – Current needs

Due to the generosity of food donors over Christmas and New Year DENS has ample supplies of most items. Their storage is nearly full.

Due to increased activity and the need for extra staffing, their great need is for financial donations, see DENS web site or:

<https://www.dens.org.uk/get-involved/high-needs-list/>

If you want to continue food donations, there are a few items still in short supply, so recommend giving only from their current High Needs List:

- Cereal bars
- Rice
- Tinned meat
- Sponge puddings
- Tinned rice pudding
- 200ml juice cartons

## The Berkhamsted Walk – Sunday 30th April 2023

Join in the Berkhamsted Walk to raise funds for The Children's Society. The walk is Berkhamsted's longest-standing sponsored walk and since 1968 has raised over £300,000. The money raised is given to The Children's Society, who work tirelessly on projects to help children of this country facing neglect and abuse, with nowhere else to turn.

All walks this year start from Kitchener's Fields, Castle Hill, Berkhamsted HP4 1HE - by the Cricket Club. There is an 18 mile walk for the adventurous, a 12-mile Bluebell walk and a family friendly 6-mile walk. Find out how you can participate and register at:

[www.berkhamstedwalk.com](http://www.berkhamstedwalk.com).

To find out more about The Children's Society's work, take a look at their website: [www.childrenssociety.org.uk](http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk)

## Advance Notices:

Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham, 24-26 March, £149 per person half-board, more details from Canon John

## Annual Parochial Council Meeting

This year the APCM will be held on 30th April at St Paul's church at 2pm.

**The Campaign for Real Ale & St Mary's - Old Town Beer - Festival** is from 21-23 July 2023, more details from Canon John



## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HEMEL HEMPSTEAD FORUM

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023

7.00 for 7.30 pm

at

Adeyfield Free Church, Maylands Avenue HP2  
4GZ

Everyone welcome: come and join us for  
pancakes!!



Guest Speaker will be from Christians  
Against Poverty



#### CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HEMEL HEMPSTEAD LENT GROUP 2023 - 'A PLACE FOR US'

- **Film Night** 6pm Saturday 25th February at Grovehill Church of the Resurrection. Free entry. Refreshments & Raffle for Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal BritishRedCross
- **Weekly Group:** Mondays 1.30pm-2.30pm
- **Belonging** 27th Feb Carey Baptist Church
- **Otherness & Difference** 6th March Church of the Resurrection
- **The gift of love** 13th March St Benedict's Church
- **The promise** 20th March St Barnabas' Church
- **The tragedy of betrayal** 27th March New Life Pentecostal Church.

Course book optional - some printouts provided.  
Also available to buy on Kindle. For more info contact [chair@cthh.org.uk](mailto:chair@cthh.org.uk)

**CTHH Spring Forum** at Adeyfield Free Church on Tuesday 21st February, including pancakes from 7pm before the meeting which starts at 7.30pm.

The main speaker is Simon Lee from Christians Against Poverty.

**Lent course preceded by a Film Night** at Grovehill Church of the Resurrection on Saturday 25th February at 6pm. Proceeds to the British Red Cross - Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal. The weekly Lent course is on Mondays from 1.30pm to 2.30pm at various churches starting on Monday 27th February at Carey Baptist Church. For details of accompanying course information contact Rev Austin Janes [chair@cthh.org.uk](mailto:chair@cthh.org.uk)

**World Day of Prayer** at Hemel Hempstead Methodist Church on Friday 3rd March at 3pm.

Details of all these events are on our website <https://hemelchurches.org.uk/> and on Facebook.

## Services and Events Week Commencing 12 February 2023

Sun 12 Feb	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am	Holy Eucharist Sung Eucharist Holy Eucharist	StM StM StP
Second Sunday before Lent			
Mon 13 Feb			
Tue 14 Feb  <i>Cyril and Methodius, Missionaries to the Slavs, 869 and 885</i>			
Wed 15 Feb	10.30am	Holy Communion	StM
Thu 16 Feb  8.00pm Bellringing Practice			
Fri 17 Feb  <i>Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda, Martyr, 1977</i>			
Sat 18 Feb			
Sun 19 Feb	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am	Holy Eucharist Sung Eucharist Holy Eucharist	StM StM StP
Sunday next before Lent			

St Mary's Church is open for visitors every day from 10am - 5pm

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- St Barnabas, Adeyfield: Position vacant
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### Bulletin deadline:

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### Payments:

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