



Welcome to St. Michael and All Angels, Amersham on the Hill.

Please take this sheet home with you for future reference.

04 November, 2018 We will be celebrating the feast of both **All Saints and All Souls** today.

8.00am.: Said Eucharist: All Saints

10.00am.: Sung Eucharist: All Saints

4.00pm Said Eucharist with Communion from the reserved sacrament: All Souls

Deacon John Crowshaw will preside and preach at 8am. Peter is presiding at the 8am. Eucharist at Penn, as usual on the first Sunday.

You can follow the service in the booklet given to you as you came in. This week's readings are printed out below. Please use the time before the service to be quiet and to prepare for worship.

Introit (sung by the choir) *Lord make me know your ways.*

Collect

As service booklet

Wisdom of Solomon 3.1–9

8.00am. and 10.00am.

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. For though in the sight of others they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt-offering he accepted them. In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. Those who trust in him will understand truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones, and he watches over his elect.

For the word of the Lord, **thanks be to God.**

Psalms 24.1-6:

Response: The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

The earth is the Lord's and all that fills it, the compass of the world and all who dwell therein.

For he has founded it upon the seas and set it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

Response

'Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord, or who can rise up in his holy place?'

'Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, who have not lifted up their soul to an idol, nor sworn an oath to a lie;

Response

'They shall receive a blessing from the Lord, a just reward from the God of their salvation.'

Such is the company of those who seek him, of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

Response

Revelation 21.1–6a

8.00am. and 10.00am.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain

TRAIDCRAFT STALL – Sunday, 11 November, after the 10.00am. service

Traidcraft Advent Calendars will be available on the stall in October and November for those who have already requested them. Extra calendars will also be available to buy. Orders for these and other items should be given to Sue Eames, or left in the Office, to ensure availability on the monthly stall.

MESSY CHURCH–St. Michael's - Saturday, 17 November - 11.30am. – 1.00pm.

Family Fun Saturday! Crafts. Song and Dance. Lunch for everyone. You choose what you want to do. No need to book in advance. Just come along. No charge.

NOT-ONE-FOR-LUNCH - Lady Chapel –Monday, 19 November - 12.45pm. for 1.00pm.

A sandwich lunch for those who live alone and eat alone, Not-One-For-Lunch is an opportunity to meet old and new friends in a very informal atmosphere. Anyone on their own is welcome.

POP IN AND PAINT" - St. Michael's – Friday, 30 November – 10.30am. – 12.15pm.

Join Jenny Thompson and Liz Grammenos from Simpatico. No experience needed - only enthusiasm and interest. All materials supplied, but you are welcome to bring your own paints. If you prefer just to come along for a chat and to watch the proceedings, that's fine too! Further information from Judy Redpath on 725271.

JENNIFER WHITTAKER SERMON

If anyone was unable to come to church last Sunday, or would like to hear Jennifer's sermon again, it is available on the website, <http://www.stmichaelsamersham.org.uk/media/>

CARDS FOR GOOD CAUSES SHOP NOW OPEN - Monday – Saturday, 10am. - 4.00pm. Sunday morning after the 10am. service.

Christmas cards; Advent cards and candles; gift tags; wrapping materials and much more. Until Friday, 14 December. St. Michael's cards are also available from the stall - £2.50 per pack of 6 cards.

COTHA CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL – St. Michael's – Saturday, 01 December – Sunday, 06 January

Local groups and businesses have been invited to decorate a tree, but there are still some available. If you are part of a group who might be interested in taking part in this community festival, contact the Church Office or see the website, <http://www.stmichaelsamersham.org.uk/welcome/recent-and-forthcoming-events/christmas-tree-festival/> for more information about how to get involved.

PRAYER CHAIN AND PRAYER WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

A number of people pray at home for St. Michael's and for specific needs or thanksgivings that people may have. If you would like to be part of this network or have a prayer request, please contact Joy Tobler on 818172. If anyone would like prayer with laying on of hands, either for themselves or for someone else, this ministry is available after church services. Please ask a member of the healing team, whose names are on the 'Healing Board', or the clergy.

THE REVD. DEBBIE'S SABBATICAL

The Revd. Debbie is currently on the three month sabbatical leave allocated to all Church of England stipendiary clergy. During this time she will not be undertaking any duties in relation to St. Michael's. Any concerns/questions, which would normally have been raised with the Vicar, should be addressed to the churchwardens.

Activities and Events beyond St. Michael's**LUNCH BREAK - Amersham Free Church – Tuesday, 06 November - Midday to 2pm.**

Lunch Café with coffee, speciality teas and snack lunches, daily newspapers. The church is open for quiet reflection and offers a varied programme of music, worship, meditation and speakers between 1.10pm. and 1.30pm. We are open for anyone who wants a bit of an oasis during the week at lunch time every Tuesday. **This week: Armistice 100: Ian Green**

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR VACANCY – St. JAMES, GERRARDS CROSS

The church is currently recruiting for an administrator. If you are interested in the role, or know of someone who might be, further information can be found at <https://saintjames.org.uk/about/job-vacancies/>

REQUEST FOR HELP

The Church Office has been approached by a person with mobility problems living in Brudenell Close, who is looking for someone who can trim a garden hedge. The job is envisaged as taking only 5-10 minutes. If anyone feels able to assist, please contact Hazel in the Office for more information.