



St. Michael & All Angels – Church of England
10 November, 2024 – Remembrance Sunday

Said Eucharists – Sunday, 8.30a.m. and Tuesday, 10.30a.m.
 Gathered Round– Sunday 10.00a.m.
 Remembrance Day Service in St. Michael’s Square,
 Monday, 11 November, 10.55a.m.
 Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel – Tuesday, 9.00a.m.

*The Traidcraft stall will be in the North Transept after the 10am service.
 Tea and coffee will be served after the 10.00a.m. service. Please stay for a chat if you can.*

Hymns for 10a.m.

- 40 As we are gathered
- 328 Make me a channel of your peace
- 366 O God our help in ages past
- 139 For the healing of the nations

Collect

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Alternative Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Jonah 3.1-5.10

A reading from the book of Jonah.

The word of the LORD came to Jonah, saying, ‘Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.’ So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, ‘Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!’ And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

For the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 62.5-end

Response: On God alone my soul waits in stillness.

Wait on God alone in stillness; O my soul; for in him is my hope.

He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

Response

In God is my strength and my glory; God is my strong rock; in him is my refuge.

Put your trust in him always, my people; pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

Response

The peoples are but a breath, the whole human race a deceit;
 on the scales they are altogether lighter than air.

Put no trust in oppression; in robbery take no empty pride;
 though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.

Response

God spoke once, and twice have I heard the same, that power belongs to God.

Steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord, for you repay everyone according to their deeds.

Response

Mark 1.14-20

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, ‘The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.’ As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, ‘Follow me and I will make you fish for people.’ And immediately they left their nets

and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Post Communion Prayer

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Forthcoming Activities and Events at St. Michael's

REMEMBRANCE DAY – Monday, 11 November at 10.55a.m. – St. Michael's Square.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL UPDATE – Plans are going well and there has been great enthusiasm from local Groups, some old, some new, for decorating Trees, and 5 local Choirs will be performing at the Choir, Coffee and Cake event. We're very grateful to those from St Michael's who have already offered to help in various ways, and we're still looking to fill the following gaps:

Tuesday, 26 November – setting the trees up in Church ready for the groups to decorate the next day – 11a.m.-1p.m.

Saturday, 30 November – welcoming in the Narthex - various timings between 9.45a.m. and 4.30p.m.

Saturday, 7 December – at the 'Choirs, Cake and Coffee' event, welcoming and collecting donations from those coming in to listen to the Choirs and enjoy the refreshments, from 9.45a.m.-12.30p.m. or 12.30p.m.-3.15p.m. Also welcoming and collecting on St Michael's Square from 12.30p.m. Please email kiki@akipl.com if you are able to offer help.

CARDS FOR GOOD CAUSES will be open every Monday-Saturday, from 10a.m.-4p.m. (16 November and 21 December 1.30p.m.-4p.m.) and Sundays from 11.30a.m./12noon-4p.m., until 21 December, in the South Transept.

LEARN TO DANCE MODERN JIVE – Every Friday from 4 October-22 November – 7.30p.m. – St. Michael's Church Hall Come and learn to dance for FREE! Just turn up. Donations to St. Michael's welcome.

CRAFTY CUPPA – Friday, 8 & 22 November – 10.30a.m.-12noon. A drop-in session for everyone who wants a cuppa and some company. Please do bring your knitting, crochet and sewing, if you would like to. Some organised talks or crafts will also be available for those, who prefer to come empty handed. We look forward to seeing you.

"POP IN AND PAINT" – CHANGE OF DATE: Friday, 8 November – 10.30a.m.-12.30p.m. 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 come along for a chat and watch the proceedings!

FAIR TRADE STALL – Sunday, 10 November – After the 10a.m. Eucharist. The stall regularly offers a range of groceries and seasonal items, with other lines on request. Please come to the stall and support Fair Trade.

MESSY CHURCH – Saturday, 16 November – 11.30a.m.-1p.m. Join us with your children/grandchildren for a fun session centered around the theme, 'The light of Christ', and based on Luke 11.33. Fun activities will be followed by a story or discussion, and a light lunch. This session is offered for free, but donations to cover costs are gratefully received.

SUSTAINABLE AMERSHAM & BUCKS COMMUNITY ENERGY EVENT on Saturday, 23 November (AWAITING DETAILS)

AMERSHAM JUPITER SINGERS – A FESTIVE EVENING – Wednesday, 27 November - 7.30p.m. – St. Michael & All Angels Join the Jupiter Singers for a heartwarming evening of Christmas singalong favourites. Tickets £5 on the door.

AMERSHAM ACTION GROUP CHRISTMAS FAYRE AT ST. MICHAEL'S – Saturday, 30 November

ADVENT PRAYER SWAP – Sunday, 1 December-Christmas Day. Please join the 2024 advent prayer swap, all are welcome from St. Michael's, the Amersham Free Church, and the whole community. The swap will start on 1 December. when Advent commences. All that is required of you is that you give your first name and email address to Rebecca via communications@stmichaelsamersham.org.uk (if you don't use e-mail, please leave a message with the office). On Thursday, 28 November, you will be given the first name of someone to pray for daily throughout advent and someone will be given your name so you too will be prayed for daily.

WISE CHOICES FILM CLUB – Friday 6th December – 2p.m.-4p.m. – A PRAIRIE HOME COMPANION Starring Meryl Streep and Garrison Keller. The story of a much loved US radio show, the last ever live recording of one of America's broadcasting institutions. Running Time 1hr. 41mins.

CHOIRS COFFEE & CAKE AT ST. MICHAEL'S – Saturday, 7 December. An event supporting the Christmas Tree Festival and raising funds for Wycombe Homeless Connection. Five local Choirs will each perform for 45 minutes, between 10a.m. and 3p.m.

REPAIR CAFÉ – Saturday, 4 January – 10.a.m.-1p.m. Come along to SustainableAmersham.org's pop-up Repair Café. Volunteer repairers will help you fix your stuff for free. No appointment required. Free refreshments.

Activities and Events beyond St. Michael's

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL TAXI TRANSPORT CONSULTATION - CLOSING 24 NOVEMBER

Please consider participating in this consultation, which includes provision of wheelchair accessible local taxis. Amersham & Chesham are currently poorly served in this respect. For more information and to participate in the consultation, please visit: <https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com/regulatory-services/taxi-licensing/>
Should you have any questions about this consultation, please contact taxilicensing@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

LUNCHBREAK – Amersham Free Church – Tuesday, 12 November – 12noon-2p.m. Tea, coffee and soup are available. The church is open for quiet reflection, and from 1.10p.m-1.30p.m. a short talk, a bite sized service or a recital.

BEYOND DIFFERENCE – SCRIPTURAL REASONING – Sunday, 24 November, 2p.m.-4p.m. (doors open 1.45p.m.)

Speakers include Edward Bowes-Smith, Team Rector, St. Mary's, Chesham; Thea Gomelauri, Director, Oxford Interfaith Forum, and Imam Arif, Senior Imam, Chesham Mosque. Scriptural Reasoning is a fresh approach to modern day inter-faith dialogue, which puts scripture at the heart of the conversation. For more information, please contact info@beyonddifference.org. Location: Chesham Mosque, 212 Bellingdon Road, HP5 2NN.

QUIET GARDEN – ONLINE ADVENT REFLECTIONS – Monday, 2, 9 & 16 December – 7.30p.m.-8p.m. Three evenings of reflection, silence, music and prayer and poetry during Advent, which will follow Mary, The Kings and Shepherds as they make their own journeys towards Bethlehem. For tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/journeys-through-advent-tickets-1058151081369>.