



St. Michael & All Angels – Church of England

27 September, 2026 – Patronal

Said Eucharists – Sunday, 8.30a.m. and Tuesday, 10.30a.m.

Sung Eucharist – Sunday 10.00a.m.

Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel – Tuesday, 9.00a.m.

The 10a.m. service will be streamed live, and then be available on

St. Michael's YouTube Channel

<https://www.youtube.com/@stmichaelandallangels/streams>

A very warm welcome to Bishop Dave, who will be preaching at the 10a.m. Sung Eucharist.

Please stay for a light lunch to celebrate Patronal after the service. ALL are welcome!

Hymns for 10a.m.

33 Angel voices, ever singing

CG66 v2 SHS

564 Ye holy angels bright

CG66 v4 SHS

79 Christ the fair glory

Readers

Rachel Hill

Andy Connor

The readings can be found in the service booklet.

If you are following online, please see the readings at the end of the notices.

Introit (Choir only)

1. Jesus calls us here to meet him
as, through word and song and prayer,
we affirm God's promised presence
where his people live and care.
Praise the God who keeps his promise;
praise the Son who calls us friends;
praise the Spirit who, among us,
to our hopes and fears attends.

Gradual

2. Jesus calls us to confess him
Word of Life and Lord of all,
sharer of our flesh and frailness
saving all who fail or fall.
Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.

Peace

3. Jesus calls us to each other:
vastly different though we are;
race and colour, class and gender
neither limit nor debar.
Join the hand of friend and stranger;
join the hands of age and youth;
join the faithful and the doubter
in their common search for truth.

After Agnus Dei

4. Jesus calls us to his table
rooted firm in time and space,
where the church in earth and heaven
finds a common meeting place.
Share the bread and wine, his body:
share the love of which we sing;
share the feast for saints and sinners
hosted by our Lord and King.

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Activities and Events at St. Michael & All Angels, Amersham on the Hill

FOODBANK HARVEST APPEAL 2026 – The foodbank have asked for donations of tinned ham, tinned minced beef, tinned rice pudding, tinned fruit, jam, tinned tomatoes and small jars of instant coffee. Could you please bring donations to St. Michael's so that they can be collected together and given to the Foodbank after our Harvest Service, which will take place on the second Sunday of October.

HARVEST APPEAL 2026 - In addition to our Harvest request for donations to the food bank, we are invited by our Charity Giving group to donate to Age UK. On Sunday October 4th we are fortunate to have speakers on their behalf at both the 8.30 service and at 10.00 am. We welcome Martin Russell, Chief Executive of Age UK Bucks and Alison Siddle, Head of Services.

CAN YOU HELP? – CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL, CHRISTMAS FAIR, AND ‘CAROLS, COFFEE AND CAKE’

Monday 23 November - 10a.m.-12 noon - setting up Trees in the Church, time to be decided.

Tuesday 24 November - 2p.m. to 4p.m. while Groups come in to decorate Trees. Serving coffee/mince pies and being on hand to help, as required. 3 volunteers required

Saturday 28 November - Christmas Fair - Collecting donations at the Angel Tree in the Narthex. Ideally 3 teams of 2 volunteers each, 10a.m. to 12p.m. / 12p.m. to 2p.m. / 2p.m. to 4p.m.

Saturday 5 December - ‘Carols, Coffee and Cake’ - Greeters, coffee makers, collectors, chucker-inners - aka outside team. Cake providers - homemade or bought. Audience! Ideally 2 Teams of 6 volunteers, 9.45a.m. to 1p.m. and 1p.m. to 3.30p.m.

Monday 4 January - 10a.m. to 1p.m. Packing up Christmas Trees for storage in the Vicarage garage.

Please contact Kiki by email if you are able to help: kiki@akipl.com. Thank you.

A CRAFTY CUPPA – Friday, 25 September – 10.30a.m.-12noon. A Crafty Cuppa is a drop-in session for everyone who wants a cuppa and some company. 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. *If you would like to make poppies for Remembrance Sunday, have wool that can be used for this purpose, or you need a pattern, please come along or contact the church office.*

POP IN AND PAINT – Friday, 2 October – 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 to watch the proceedings!

HARVEST FISH AND CHIPS AND QUIZ NIGHT AT ST. MICHAEL’S – Friday, 9 October 2026 – 7pm. If you’re interested please contact the church office. More details regarding meal choices and cost will follow.

FAIRTRADE – Sunday, 11 October– The stall will be in the North Transept after the 10a.m. service.

MESSY CHURCH – Saturday, 17 October– 11.30a.m.-1p.m. Join us with your children/grandchildren for fun activities, followed by an interactive session and a light lunch. The session is free. Donations are welcome.

COUNTRY MARKETS IN ST. MICHAEL’S CHURCH HALL – Saturday, 17 October – 10a.m.-1p.m. Start your Christmas shopping and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee at this new craft market.

REPAIR CAFÉ – Saturday, 7 November – 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. In addition to their usual wide range of repairs, they are now also offering technical advice: mobile phones, laptops and tablets. Bookable bike maintenance slots are also available; details on the noticeboard. No appointment required. Free refreshments. The repair café is on the first Saturday of every second month.

RED KITE CRAFT MARKET – Saturday, 7 November – 9a.m.-1p.m. – St. Michael’s Church Hall. Handmade crafts, including, cards, woodwork, knitting, jewellery and more.

ADVENT COURSE – This will start a week before Advent. Times and dates will be confirmed shortly. If you would like to join the course, please contact the office and request a copy of *Walking with Angels*, by Eleanor Sanderson. A voluntary donation of £10 to cover the cost of the book would be welcome.

SNOW WHITE AT THE ELGIVA – 12 December – 3p.m. – Would you, your family and friends, like to join us for an outing to the panto this Christmas? If you are interested, please let the church office know as soon as possible. We have reserved 30 accessible seats until the end of September. If you can’t drive, when contacting the office, please let us know that you will need transport. Providing at least 20 people book, we will receive a discount. The full price and discounted prices are shown here: Full Price £27.00 (£23.17 if discount is applied); 60+/Disabled/Student £26.00 (£22.32 if discount is applied); U16 £23.00 (£19.77 if discount is applied).

Activities and Events Beyond St. Michael’s

LUNCHBREAK – Tuesday, 29 September – 12 noon, including at 1.10p.m.-1.30p.m. – a short talk, music or a Bite Sized Service. *All welcome.*

LUNCH FORUM – Friday, 16 October - 12.15p.m. – A ready meal hot lunch will be provided. It will be cottage pie, lasagne or something similar followed by a dessert such as apple pie. The food will be served from 12:15pm, followed by a talk at 1pm. Tea/coffee/water are provided. Suggested donation £3-£5 to cover the cost of the speaker. *Members of St. Michael’s are very welcome.*

Genesis 28.10-17

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went towards Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And the LORD stood beside him and said, 'I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.' Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, 'Surely the LORD is in this place – and I did not know it!' And he was afraid, and said, 'How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.'

Psalm 103 19-22**Response: Bless the Lord, O my soul.**

The Lord has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom has dominion over all.

Bless the Lord, you angels of his, you mighty ones who do his bidding and hearken to the voice of his word.

Response

Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, you ministers of his who do his will.

Bless the Lord, all you works of his, in all places of his dominion; bless the Lord, O my soul.

Response**Revelation 12.7-12**

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, 'Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the face of death. Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!'

John 1.47-51

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.