

# WELCOME TO ST MARY'S APSLEY END

	Today Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Next Sun (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept)	
8.00am	No Service	No Service	<b>Diary Next Week (starting 27<sup>th</sup> Aug)</b> <b>MONDAY (bank hol)</b> <u>10.00am</u> No Working Party <u>8.00pm</u> ?Bell ringers' practice <b>TUESDAY</b> No Buzzy Bees until 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept <b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>THURSDAY</b> <u>9.00am</u> Morning Prayer <u>9.30am</u> Holy Communion No Study Group until 6 Sept <u>8.00pm</u> House Group at 28 Manorville Rd <b>FRIDAY</b> <u>10.00am</u> Working Party <b>SATURDAY</b> <u>09.30-11am</u> Community Café
10.00am	<b>Non Eucharistic service</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>	
Presiding	Carole Camp	Francis Graham-Brown	
Warden	Dan Shirley	Sylvia Low	
Sidesperson	Harry GB	Katharine Harper	
Reading	Tina Howard	Adwoa Agyeiwaa	
Intercessions	Viv Hagel	Sue Jakeman	
Offertory	Hazel Littlejohns & Janet Wright	Shirley family	
Chalice	Susan Rivett	Rosemary Bladon	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Counter	Laura GB	Fiona Shirley	
Coffee	Janet Wright & Joy West	Jan & Trevor Wilson	
Organist	Peter Lipman	Peter Lipman	
Richard is at:	On leave	On leave	
6.30pm	No Service	St Benedict's	

**Please pray for** Patricia Land, Eileen Kemp, Hedley & Doreen Crago, Brenda Frost, Clare Tofield Wallington and Mia Keene.

*To include events or people for prayer please e-mail [stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com) or contact one of the Churchwardens, or the Vicar*

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 (Mon & Wed 8.00am-3.30pm, Thurs 12.30pm-3.00pm, Fri 11.30-2.30pm)



## Notices

To include a notice please contact [stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com) (deadline 12.00 noon each Tuesday for the following Sunday please)

**Gluten Free Wafers are available. Please ask the Warden or Sidesperson.**

**Today** – instead of Sunday School we will be holding our annual **Teddy Bears Picnic**, hopefully in the churchyard. All bears and their owners welcome!

**Saturday Café on 1<sup>st</sup> Sept** will be opening at **9.30am and closing at 11.00am** as there is a wedding in church at 12.00.

The **Beds & Herts Sponsored Bike and Hike** is also on **Sat Sept 8<sup>th</sup>**. We need people to be in church for an hour each between 12pm and 6pm to welcome those taking part. If you are willing to help please fill in the sheet at the back of church.

Rosemary plans to walk round all 22 churches in our Deanery (18 miles!) again this year. If you would be willing to sponsor her please talk to her. Remember half of the money raised (over £1,000 was raised last year) will come back to St Mary's to support our day to day running costs.

The **DENS high needs list for July & August** is at the back of the church.

As from September, **Evening Prayer is moving from the first to the second Sunday** of the month for a trial period. So the first one will be held on **Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Sept at 6.00pm** with a choir practise (led by David Heath) at 5pm. If you have a yearning to sing, this is your chance to come and try. If not please try to join us for the service itself.

Could you **sponsor our organist and music** at one of our Sunday morning services? Perhaps in memory of a loved one? Please speak to Peter Bladon.

If you come to the altar rail to have a blessing, **why not consider Confirmation?** You could renew your baptism vows as an adult and be confirmed in November by the Bishop at a lovely service, followed by Communion. (If you're not Baptised, that can happen at the same service) Richard is hosting an informal **Confirmation group starting on Sun 2nd Sept at 7.30-9pm**. Background material supplied – you just give your time! Please contact Richard for more details.

**If anyone would like to join one or more of the Sunday Rotas**, please let Janet Wright know by Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Sept. [janet@apsleyend.co.uk](mailto:janet@apsleyend.co.uk) or 01442 252519

### Practical issues!

1. **A scaffold** will be going up at the refectory end of the church on Tues 28<sup>th</sup> Aug for a specialist flintworker to repair the flints. This shouldn't take more than a week.

2. **Decorators** will be starting the interior church decorating on Mon 17<sup>th</sup> Sept for around a month. The church will be in some variable turmoil, but the refectory will not be affected.

Thank you to the **fabric committee** for all their work in planning these.

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land.** Rev Lizzie Hood will be taking a group on pilgrimage from 19<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> Mar 2019. Brochure is available in church, further copies from Norma or Lizzie. Enquiries/bookings to Lizzie on 01442 264860 or [Lizziehood@aol.com](mailto:Lizziehood@aol.com)

### Other dates for your diary:

Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Sept Quiet Day at Douai Abbey  
 Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Nov Christmas Bazaar