

# WELCOME TO ST MARY'S APSLEY END

	Today Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Next Sun (9 <sup>th</sup> Sept)	Diary Next Week (starting 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept)
8.00am	No Service	No Service	
10.00am	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>	<b>Sung Eucharist</b>	<b>MONDAY</b> 10.00am Working Party 8.00pm Bell ringers' practice
Presiding	Francis Graham-Brown	Richard Howlett	<b>TUESDAY</b> Buzzy Bees restarts
Warden	Sylvia Low	Sue Jakeman	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>
Sidesperson	Katharine Harper	Woods family	<b>THURSDAY</b> 9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Holy Communion 8.00pm House Group at 28 Manorville Rd
Reading	Adwoa Agyeiwaa	Rosemary Bladon	<b>FRIDAY</b> 10.00am Working Party
Intercessions	Sue Jakeman	Katharine Harper	<b>SATURDAY</b> 10.00am Community Café 12-6pm Bike and Hike All day Quiet Day at Douai Abbey
Offertory	Shirley family	Brunhilde Davies & Melanie Henley	
Chalice	Rosemary Bladon	Katherine Howlett	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Counter	Fiona Shirley	Harry GB	
Coffee	Jan & Trevor Wilson	Sylvia Low & Adwoa Agyeiwaa	
Organist	Peter Lipman	Peter Lipman	
Richard is at:	St Benedict's	St Mary's	
5.00pm	-----	<b>Choir practice</b>	
6.00pm	No Service	<b>Evening Prayer</b>	

**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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## 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.**

The **Beds & Herts Sponsored Bike and Hike** is next **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 Harvest** is at the back of the church.

As from Next Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> Sept, **Evening Prayer is moving from the first to the second Sunday** of the month for a trial period. It will be held **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.

If you would like to help with **decorating for our Harvest Festival** please add your name to the list at the back of church – at the position you prefer. Or just bring flowers or produce for others to use. We will be doing the decorating on Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Oct from 10am. Thank you; Rosemary

**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)

### TODAY

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 today 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. **The scaffold** at the refectory end of the church is for a specialist flintworker to repair the flints. This should come down again this 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.

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.

### Other dates for your diary:

Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Oct Harvest Festival  
 Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Nov Christmas Bazaar