

WELCOME TO THE WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR ST MARY'S APSLEY END

	Today Sunday 8 Sept	Next Week Sunday 15 Sept	Diary for this week
8.00am	No Service	No Service	MONDAY 9th <u>10.00am</u> Working Party <u>8.00pm</u> Bell ringing practice
10.00am	Sung Eucharist	Sung Eucharist	TUESDAY 10th <u>9.30am</u> Buzzy Bees is back! 7.45pm Health & Healing Meeting 27 Chambersbury Lane
Presiding	Carole Camp	Richard Howlett	THURSDAY 12th <u>9.00am</u> Morning Prayer <u>9.30am</u> Holy Communion <u>10.15am</u> Bible Study Group
Warden	Dan Shirley	Rosemary Bladon	<u>7.00pm</u> AA in Refectory <u>8.00pm</u> House Group at 28 Manorville Rd
Sidesperson	Woods Family	Ann Wiggins	FRIDAY 13th <u>10.00am</u> Working Party
Reading	Lucie Kubinova	Sue Jakeman	SATURDAY 14th <u>9am-6pm</u> Bike&Hike <u>10.00am</u> Saturday Café <u>10.00am</u> Baptism Visitors mtg
Intercessions	Fiona Shirley	Laura G-Brown	<u>7.30pm</u> Benefice Barn Dance
Offertory	Ann Wiggins & Iffy Nkenke	Shirley family	
Chalice	Janet Wright	Katherine Howlett	
2 nd Counter	Roger Witts	Colin Rivett	
Coffee	Ann Wiggins & Daphne Wicks	Melanie Henley & Viv Hagel	
Sunday School	Peter & Jan	Lillian & Peter	
Organist	Ian Hope	Liam Lester	
Richard is at:	St Benedict's	St Mary's	
6.30pm	Evensong	No Service	

Please pray for

Eileen Kemp, Hedley and Doreen Crago and Clare Tofield-Wallington.

St Mary's Collect for Growth

Dear Lord, please help us grow St Mary's Church. As we grow in love of you, draw new people week by week into this church family. May we show your love to all, within and beyond our walls. In Jesus' name. Amen

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Notices



To include a notice, event or people for prayer in this bulletin email stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com or contact one of the churchwardens or the vicar (deadline 12.00 noon each Tuesday for the following Sunday please).

Gluten Free wafers are available. Please ask the Warden or a Sidesperson.

We have now launched our Action Plan from the **'Everybody Welcome'** lent course. See poster in refectory.

At 10.30am on Saturday 28th September we will be holding a **'workshop' for anyone who might like to help welcome newcomers into our church family.**

Feedback suggests that we are already a welcoming church, but we would like your help in building on that by helping with some hints and tips! The session will last at most an hour and will NOT involve role play! Please speak to Colin Rivett, Tony Woods or Richard Howlett. No sign up required - Everyone welcome!

From Richard Howlett, Team **Vicar:** There are several people who come for a blessing at the altar rail, usually because they have not been confirmed. I am keen to organise a small group, starting soon, for **those interested in being prepared for Confirmation.** If you are not yet baptised, that can be sorted however you prefer.

Why not take the plunge? It's a great step to take in your life and faith. If interested, just email me—my address is on this bulletin.

There is a **DENS 'needs list'** in the refectory for Harvest Festival. Please look and see if you can add something extra to your weekly shop!

It would be great to have some **new people on some of the rotas** over on the left hand side of this bulletin. If you *might* be interested, please speak to Janet Wright or a churchwarden.

Alternatives Pregnancy **Crisis & Support Centre are looking for volunteers** for their Hemel Hempstead Centre, 160 The Marlowes. If you are interested please speak to Wendy or Janet

The **September Benefice Newsletter** is now available in church & website (<http://beneficeoflangelei.org.uk/benefice-e-newsletter>)

From Rosemary: I am once again intending to take part in the **annual Bike 'n' Hike**, next Sat 14th Sept, to raise money for church. I will be visiting 21 places of worship in Hemel Hempstead covering over 18 miles. I would be very grateful if you would sponsor me on the form at the back of church, or please ask me.

We also need **volunteers to man the church 12-5.** Thank you.

A Benefice Barn Dance in aid of the charity 'Embrace the Middle East' will be held at Nash Mills CofE School Hall on 14th Sept. Tickets including food (fish, chicken or veggie and chips): Adults £12, Children £6, Family Ticket (2 Adults & 2 Children under 12) £30, available from Sue J. Food order by 8th Sept.

There will be a meeting on **Sun 22nd Sept** to discuss the **Christmas Bazaar** (Sat Nov 16). We do need some extra people this year to organise/run some of the stalls. Please come to the meeting or speak to Rosemary.

We have a **closed (i.e. non-public) Facebook group** to share news, ideas, prayers and friendship at St Mary's, Apsley End. Please speak to Janet W, Katharine Harper or Dan S for an invitation.

Further Dates for your diary:

- 15 Sept Messy Harvest
- 17 Sept PCC mtg 7.30pm
- 26 Sept Solo Plus lunch
- 29 Sept Harvest Festival
- 26 Oct Organ recital 3.00pm
- 16 Nov Christmas Bazaar
- 6-8 Dec Angel Festival

Wendy F-S 5-Sep-19