

WELCOME TO THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

for St Mary's Apsley End and St Benedict's Bennetts End

	Today Sun 9 Aug	Next week Sun 16 Aug	Diary for this week
10am	Eucharist in St B's & on Zoom	Eucharist in St M's & on Zoom	MONDAY 10 August 8.30am Decorating continuing in St M's refectory 10am-12 Working Party at St M's
Presiding	Richard Howlett	Richard Howlett	TUESDAY
Welcomers	Enitan Onabamiro	Sylvia Low	WEDNESDAY 9.30am Morning Prayer in St B's 9am – 4pm St B's open for private prayer
Reading	David Heath Enitan O	Katharine Harper	5.00pm Wardens/vicar/sec meeting via Zoom
Intercessions	Carole Camp	Laura GB	THURSDAY 09.30am Morning Prayer via Zoom
Music	David Heath	Melanie Henley	8.00pm Study group via Zoom
Production	Enitan O & Harry GB	Harry GB	FRIDAY 10am-12 Working Party at St M's
11.15am	Sunday School via Zoom	Sunday School via Zoom	SATURDAY 10.00am Saturday Café via Zoom
3pm		Virtual Messy Church	

St B's Collect for Growth

Dear God, fill our hearts with your love and the glow of your Holy Spirit. Grow this church family within our community and let your good news spread. **Amen.**

St M'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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 (Temporary hours: Mon, Wed & Thurs 7.30am-12 noon, but flexible)

Notices

While our two churches are worshipping together via Zoom on Sunday mornings, we are using a combined bulletin.

Please contribute information, dates, notices etc.

The more we're sent, the more useful it will be!

Please email items to stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com by 12.00 noon each Wednesday.

On the 16th the service will be from St M's. It is **essential** that you book if you wish to attend in person.

Please book either by emailing stmarysapsleyend@gmail.com or by phoning Dan Shirley on 07946 736267.

Sunday school will continue to take place on Zoom at 11.15.

On Sunday 6th September there will be an **8am Holy Communion** at St M's

We still have all the usual church expenses to pay. To make your weekly offering electronically or by cheque, please contact:
 St M's Treasurer, Peter Bladon, on 01442 257108 or bladon2010@btinternet.com
 St B's Treasurer, Alison Murray on alisonj.murray@btinternet.com
Any donations would be very warmly welcomed, however small or large! You can also donate via buttons on the church website

Jean & Mike need **articles for the September newsletter** as soon as possible please. The closing date is **23 Aug**. We loved the poems and photos, so more for September would be great!

Send to:
mikeandjean23@btinternet.com

Are you on the church email list?
 See St Mary's page for the green button
<https://beneficeoflangelei.org.uk/stmarys/>

On 12th September, I am, once again, hoping to do the **Bike'n'Hike** in aid of the Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust. If you would be willing to sponsor me our email is Bladon2010@btinternet.com or online at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rosemary-bladon
 Half of what I raise comes to St Mary's.
 Thank you, Rosemary

DENS latest newsletter is available [here](#). There is lots of positive information about how they are restarting projects and services, all well worth reading.

I am cycling 65 miles locally as part of the virtual **Prudential Ride London event**, raising money for **Gaddesden Place RDA** which has been badly affected by the pandemic and the inability to provide rides which is a major source of income for the centre. This fundraising links them both for a good cause.
 You can sponsor me using this link:
<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/SusanRivett>.
 Thank you, Susan Rivett

Further dates for your diary:

16 Aug 3pm Messy Church via Zoom. 'Love thy neighbour'
2 Sept 7pm Fabric committee meeting via zoom
Sun 6 Sept 8am Holy Communion at St M's
Sun 27 Sept Harvest at St M's
Sun 4 Oct Harvest at St B's
 Theme is 'Creating a Buzz in Nepal'
Sun 11 Oct APCM for St M's

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sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.'

This is the word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

10.5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that 'the person who does these things will live by them.' But the righteousness that comes from faith says, 'Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?"' (that is, to bring Christ down) 'or "Who will descend into the abyss?"' (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? 'The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart' (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, 'No one who believes in him will be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!'

This is the Word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

14.22-33

GLORY TO YOU, O LORD!

Immediately after feeding the crowd with the five loaves and two fish, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

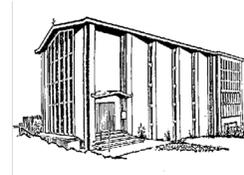
This is the Gospel of the Lord. **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST!**

This bulletin, with the notices, prayer and readings to study at your leisure, is for you to take home.

Please pray for the work of the church in this Parish.

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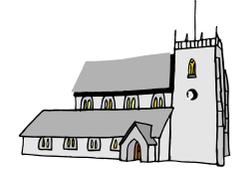
St Benedict's,
Bennetts End



Holy Trinity,
Leverstock Green



St Mary's,
Apsley



All Saints,
Kings Langley

THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9th August 2020

The Collect

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen.

A reading from the first book of Kings

19.9-18

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' He said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' Then the LORD said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the

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**Weekly newsletter from Richard Howlett,
Team Vicar with special responsibility for
St Benedict's, Bennett's End and St
Mary's, Apsley End.**

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Dear Friends

I hope you and your loved ones are all keeping well.

On **Sunday 9th August** our service will be a service of Holy Communion, at 10am **from St Benedict's**. This will be the first Holy Communion there since Lockdown. **It is essential that you email me or phone me in the next couple of days if you intend to come. Places will be allocated beforehand on a first-come basis.** I also attach an explanatory leaflet 'Attending St Benedict's, during Covid19: What to Expect!' We look forward to welcoming those joining us, particularly from St Benedict's and St Mary's on Zoom. The order of service will, as usual, be available via the St Mary's calendar.

May I remind all worshippers coming to St Benedict's that the wearing of facemasks is now required in church. Please remember that they are mainly to protect other people, not the wearer, from COVID-19 and that they are not a replacement for physical distancing. Sanitizing gel is available in church, and everyone is reminded to wash their hands thoroughly with soap and water when they get home .

St Benedict's will continue to be open on Wednesdays, from 9am to 4pm for private prayer. Please observe the notices about hygiene if you do come to church, for your safety and that of other people. Please note that,

there will be an afternoon service of Communion on Wednesday 19th August at 3.30pm. Again-please let me know if you intend to come.

Further to my last letter, those who are working to refurbish St Benedict's hall will be taking a family break in August, so we shall need to postpone the blessing of the hall and kitchen until September, to enable us all to give thanks to God for the marvellous transformation, together.

St Mary's Thursday 9.30 Morning Prayer will continue online during August unless otherwise advertised. Work is happening to refurbish the refectory at St Mary's during this month, and it will be impressive once it is finished. There will be a service of **Evening Prayer** once again, in **St Mary's at 630pm on Sunday 9th August**. Please let me know if you plan to attend. The service will also be streamed on Zoom.

Sunday services for the rest of August Sun 16th 10am Holy Communion with Revd Richard Howlett from St Mary's, streamed.

Sun 23rd 10am Family service, with Revd Richard Howlett from St Mary's streamed **and** 10am Holy Communion from St Benedict's with Revd Lizzie Hood.

Sunday 30th Revd Canon Guy Buckler presiding at 10am at St B **and** St Mary's joining with Fr James at 9.30am at All Saints.

I look forward to seeing some of you in church, and others online this month.

*With our love and prayers, **Richard and Katherine.***