

Christ-Centred –Welcoming –Inclusive –Outward-Looking



The First Sunday after Trinity

22 June 2025

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Parish Communion. Readings: Isaiah 65.1-9 Judgement and Salvation. Galatians 3.23-29 Children of God. Luke 8.26-39 Jesus restores a possessed man.

Collect

10.00 am

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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!2.00 noon MU Wave of Prayer—Memorial Chapel

6.00 pm Deanery Summer Worship. St Mary the Virgin Church, Potton

Private Prayer at St Andrew's Church. Please note our church is usually open for private prayer Monday -Saturday, **09.00 am - 4.00 pm**. *Revd Liz and Churchwardens*

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09.15 am Leadership and Ministry Meeting 2.00 pm Funeral, Pamela Eldridge RIP North Herts Crematorium 7.30 pm Launchpad Follow-Up. Ivel Room Thursday 26 June

09.30 am Holy Communion, Genesis 16.1-12, 23-26 Matthew 7.21-29 followed by coffee in Chapter House

Friday 27 June

7.30 pm Church Choir—Practice

Saturday 28 June

Wednesday 25 June

10.00 am -12.00 noon Coffee Shop, Chapter House

2.00 pm St Albans Cathedral Ordinations

Peter and Paul, Apostles, 29 June

- 10.00 am Parish Communion Followed by Coffee in Chapter House
 12.00 noon Holy Baptism, Benedict
- 2.30 pm Bedfordshire Youth Ringers—Bell Tower

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Requesting our Prayers: Derek and Gill Whinnett, Nick Smithers, Thelma Holden, Anita, Sally Wells, Shelagh Hizzey, Ian Pearson, Ruth Atkinson, Angela Morris, Val Scott, Maurice Darnell, Chris Parker, Clerestine and Percy Doughty, Tim Robb. We continue to pray for: Bobbie Ball, Fran Sharp, Joanna Friend, James Etienne.

We pray for the souls of the recently departed. Pamela Eldridge, John Gray, David Tharby, John Newlin: for families and friends preparing for services of thanksgiving and celebration of life. We remember with prayers and thankful, privileged, memories those whose Year's Mind fall at this time: 23 Frank Dominey, 24 Betty Poppitt, 26 William Thatcher.

Mafambisa. We remember the people of our partner community of Mafambisa, for the vulnerable and orphaned children, the care workers, the caregivers and all who support them. By name this week we pray for children: Enos, Life, Tomas, Sphesihle, Thabang, Thabo . Please visit our blog at www.standrewslink.blogspot.co.uk.

Confirmation and Admission to Holy Communion, Trinity Sunday. Congratulations to Bianca Gowers, Christopher Edwards, Emily Couram, Harvey Jenkins, and Kizzy Stanley—St Mary's, Clophill, who were confirmed by Jane, Bishop of Hertford. Also to Ava Tranter, Charles Fulcher and Isabella Fulcher admitted to Holy Communion. It was a joy to welcome some of those Confirmed and Admitted to Communion in 2024 as participants on Trinity Sunday: Valerie Bennett and David Elong who read the lessons for this special service; and Niah Tranter who acted as Bishop's Chaplain. *Revd Liz.*

Youth Work Launchpad Follow-Up Evening. Wednesday 25 June, 7.30pm, Ivel Room. This will be an opportunity to hear about Revd. Liz's experience of the Launchpad Course, for those who came to the Celebration Evening on May 19 to share their reflections, to open further conversation and to pray together about how this might be helpful to us as we work together for the children and young people of our Parish. This is open to all who work with Children and Young People at St. Andrew's Church, Biggleswade, and to anyone else who is interested. Please let Revd. Liz know you are coming: Email: vicar@standrewschurchbw.org.uk

Placement Curate Farewell. On Pentecost Sunday we said farewell to Revd Gail Adcock following her short but most enjoyable placement with us. Gail asked me to share her thanks to you all for making her feel very welcome in the short time she spent with us. As a thank you she left us with some lovely biscuits to share over coffee after Church today. We wish Gail every blessing with her ongoing training and ministry. *Revd. Liz.*

Mafambisa Team Africa 2025 Car Wash. Saturday 5 July, 10.00 am—12.00 noon. St Andrew's Church car park, off Ivel Gardens. No booking required; simply bring your car for an excellent clean. *Nick Gurney*.

Holiday Club 2025 - Jungle Adventure. Holiday Club registration has now opened. If you would like to register your child/children, please go to the church website St Andrew's Biggleswade and follow the registration link. This year's event is proving extremely popular, and we have already sold over 75% of our allocated spaces so don't delay, get them registered today! *The Holiday Club Team 2025*



Edward Peake Celebrates 50 years, Friday 18 July. Mrs Waddington, Deputy Headteacher, requests any materials for display/PowerPoint presentation/social media/school website which you are willing to share, (and have permission of those in the photos to do so); please kindly email them to the School Office info@edwardpeake.beds.sch.uk. Or send copies into the School Office, for the attention of Mrs. Waddington.

Tinned Vegetables Needed. If you use the Bank the Food app you may have noticed that **they are always short of tinned vegetables - peas and carrots** but also **potatoes and sweetcorn**, plus any other vegetables. So, whether you use it or not, please consider putting tinned veg in the food bank collection box. It may not look like much, but it's what they need. *Maggie McLoughlin and Anna Rutt*

MUmalade. We would appreciate it if you could return jars after use, or bring some in to keep our supplies going. There is a collection box in the vestibule. *Angela Sharp*.

Used Postage Stamps. Please keep collecting these for me to take to St. John's Hospice; it is important that we give them all the support possible. Please place your used stamps in the container adjacent to the area in church where service books are distributed. Thank you. *Gill Hibbert*

Future Dates

Saturday 5 July	10.00 am—Noon. Team Mafambisa 2025 Car Wash Fund Raising VE/VJ Day Celebrations, Market Square
Sunday 13 July, 3.00 pm	East Beds Chamber Choir Concert, St Andrew's Church
M 11— Th14 August	Holiday Club



The Diocese of St Albans: Vacancy in See Prayer. As the process of discernment prior to the appointment of the next Bishop of St Albans continues, we share this prayer.

Generous God, we pray for our Diocese of St Albans. As we take this journey of discernment for our new bishop, open our hearts and minds to hear the wisdom of your Spirit. Be with those who sense a call to this ministry, with those discerning the appointment, and with all those leading and serving us at this time. In this shared discernment, and always, draw us deeper into your love, that we may live it with joy and courage for your world, in the name, and for the sake, of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Diocesan Prayer for the Year of Spiritual Renewal and Wellbeing 2025

God of life and love, pour out your blessing on our diocese as we journey to your kingdom on the Emmaus Road: where there is uncertainty, build us up in faith; where there is fear, establish us in love; where there is discord, bring reconciliation and healing: that together we may be renewed in hope by your Spirit and be ambassadors of your risen Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A Prayer for Spiritual Renewal 2025

Look graciously upon us, O Holy Spirit, and give us, for our hallowing, thoughts that pass into prayer, prayers that pass into love, and love that passes into life with you forever, Amen.

Social Media Keeping in touch with family and friends is

something as a Church we are trying to undertake through the use of our social media platforms. The online sphere is another channel we are also able to use to be able to spread God's message. The platforms allow us to reach out to our community of faith, our local community as well as others who aren't as local. Please do contact Oliver Dilley or Jessica Mepham with any ideas, thoughts or content for the social media pages. In the meantime please continue to like, follow and share our social media accounts. *Thank you.*

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Living God, draw us deeper into your love; Jesus our Lord, send us to care and serve, Holy Spirit make us heralds of good news. Stir us, strengthen us teach and inspire us to live your love with generosity and joy, imagination and courage, for the sake of your world and in the name of Jesus. Amen

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