



Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Inside the organ loft

30 August 2026

The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, 30 August, 2026

10am Parish Communion

Readings:

Jeremiah 15.15-21 *Jeremiah is reassured*
Romans 12.9-21 *Marks of a true Christian*
Matthew 16.21-28 *Jesus foretells his death*

Collect: Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

Zoom: To join [Click here](#)

Meeting ID: 931 2877 4094

Passcode: 263739

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Coffee and fellowship in the Chapter House

Thursday 3 September

9:30am Holy Communion— *Gregory the Great*

Readings: 1 Corinthians 3.18-23

Luke 5.1-11

Coffee and fellowship in the Chapter House

Saturday 5 September

10am-12noon Coffee Shop, Chapter House

Sunday 6 September—Feast of Creation

8am Holy Communion—*Order II, Traditional*

10am All Together Communion

Coffee and fellowship in the Chapter House

12:45pm Sunday Lunch
(please sign list in foyer)

*Sunday School will begin next week —
13 September all school –age children welcome*

Private Prayer at St Andrew's Church

Please note our church is usually open for private prayer Monday—Saturday, 9am - 4pm

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Intercessions: Let us pray for: those working in Tourist Industry

Requesting our Prayers: Pat Boulter, Joan Chelley, Percy Doughty, Thelma Holden, Margaret Hulley, Charles Rutt, Steve Waldron, Derek and Gill Whinnett.

We continue to pray for: Jane Parker, Cory Sherry

We pray for the souls of the recently departed: Peter Swithinbank

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: Celia Allen (30th), Norah Pickles (30th) Clive Wilson (1st)

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 care-worker: Dudu and children: Ntandokazi, Prince, Victoria, Amanda

Mafambisa Visit 2026

Thank you to all those who supported our visit to South Africa and our partner community of Mafambisa this year. For your generosity; participation in fundraising events; your words of encouragement; your reading and commenting on the blog; and especially your prayers. The trip was exciting, joyous and inspiring; and yet challenging, saddening and heartbreaking at times; but also filled with God's presence and blessing.

We will be sharing some of our experiences and stories after the morning service on Sunday 20

September, in the Chapter House over refreshments. We would love you to come and see what we did - and hear some amazing news about the future... *Team South Africa 2026*

MU Wednesday 2 September 2-4pm in the Ivel Room. Meeting: making table decorations with Helene.

Join us, join in! All welcome.

Maggie McLoughlan and Rosamund Drakes

Country Fayre – Water into Wine Stall: We are running the Water into Wine stall once again at this year's Country Fayre and would be most grateful for any donations of bottles of wine. If you can help in any way, it would be much appreciated. Please pass your bottle(s) to Paul or Ruth. Many thanks.

Paul Daniels and Ruth Marshall-Jones

Country Fayre Exhibition 'Calmness in Crisis' 19 September This year our exhibition will focus on Calmness in Crisis - different ways we all cope when going through challenging times, linking in with our charities Cruse Bereavement and Homestart Bedfordshire. We would love to hear from the congregation as to what you do to keep calm and if able to represent this in our exhibition (e.g. art/painting, craft, photography, exercise, poetry). As usual, we will be asking for help with running stalls and refreshments on the day as well as setting up and clearing up - please volunteer if you feel like you would be able to help.

Oliver Dilley, Lucy Dilley, Noah Dilley, Jane Parker, Carolyn Marron, Sue Cleghorn, Nick Gurney

MU

A huge thank you to all those who joined our 150th anniversary celebration on Saturday 8 August. The bellringers coffee shop and ploughman's lunch raised £190. Such wonderful generosity. This we split with £100 going to the MU appeal and £90 to church funds.

Our next lunch is Thursday 17 September 12noon-2pm and will be the last ploughman's of the year. Join us, join in! All welcome.

Maggie McLoughlin and Rosamund Drakes

Easy Fundraising update

Thank you to supporters of St Andrews Church on easy fundraising, £33.21 has been paid into the account at the end of this quarter.

WANTED...someone to take over the admin of easy fundraising when I move away. The account is all set up, you just need to accept the emails and promote and encourage others.

Thank you also to those who bought jigsaws. £26 has been paid over for general church funds. I hope you enjoy completing them.

Anna Rutt

Leprosy Mission: I am happy to receive your collection boxes for opening/counting up until 13 September. You can hand them to me after services on Thursdays and Sundays (after the 10am service). My thanks to all who prefer to support this way.

Sue Oldroyd

This prayer was written by a gap-year student when receiving her exam results.

Jesus,

Keep reminding me of the bigger picture over the next few weeks.

Keep me in your hands when all other hands disappear—

For I am convinced that neither entry requirements nor exam results,
neither anticipation nor doubts,

neither success nor failure, nor any expectations,

neither last minute fears nor anxieties, nor anything else in life,

will be able to separate us from the love of God

that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Please, don't let me forget it! Amen

Diocese of St Albans

Future Dates

7 September	7:30pm	Friends of St Andrew's Trustees Meeting
8 September	7:30pm	Standing Committee, Ivel Room
12 September	9am-5pm	Bike and Hike
19 September	10am-3pm	Country Fayre
	2pm	Installation of Andrew, Bishop of St Alban's, St Alban's Cathedral
22 September	7:30pm	PCC Meeting, Chapter House
29 September	7:30pm	Growth & Mission Working Group
3 October	9:30am	St.Luke's Tide Holy Communion followed by refreshments and 'Time to Talk'

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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