

ST MARY'S AND ST MARTIN'S

27 September

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

St Mary's 8am service - 1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays - Holy Communion (BCP)
 St Mary's 6pm Second Sunday of month - Evensong
 St Martin's 10am service - Parish Communion

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 27 th	10am	St Martin's	All Age Communion
Monday 28 th	9am	St Martin's	Morning Prayer
Tuesday 29 th	9am	St Martin's	Morning Prayer
Wednesday 30 th	9am	St Martin's	Morning Prayer
Thursday 1 st	10am	St Martin's	Holy Communion followed by refreshments
Sunday 4 th	8am	St Mary's	Holy Communion BCP
	10am	St Martin's	Morning Worship with Breakfast at 9.30am

READINGS FOR SUNDAY

Matthew 21:23-32

COLLECT: Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OUR NEWS

POLICE CHOIR CONCERT THANK YOU

A massive thank you to everyone who joined us last Monday for another thoroughly enjoyable evening with the Police Choir! We are delighted to share that we successfully raised **£334** during this, our annual fundraiser for **Bridge Builders Christian Trust**. If you missed the concert but would still like to support them, please see **Penny**.



BISHOP ANDREW'S INSTALLATION

Bishop Andrew's service of installation and welcome last Saturday was a joyous and magnificent occasion. His sermon, photos and a video of the service can be found here: <https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/news/bishop-andrews-welcome-and-installation/>

HELP NEEDED: CHURCH EVENT VERGERS

St Martin's hosts an increasing number of events such as concerts, mostly on Saturdays. **Can you join the team of vergers** who unlock church and settle in the hirer? Then checking and locking up afterwards (sometimes around 10pm). Vergers also needed to help the team for daytime weddings and funerals. In each case you will receive a £65 fee. For more info, contact Penny.

St MARY'S WELCOMING

Thank you to everyone who welcomed visitors to St. Mary's this summer. We hosted 509 visitors and raised £384! We hope to boost these figures during Harvest Sunday, Remembrance Sunday, and the Knebworth Park Christmas Fair (29 Nov). We would love more welcomers for 2027, especially for Bank Holiday Mondays. All it takes is a warm smile and a friendly hello. Please get in touch with Julia V. to join the team!

DONATIONS FOR STALL

At breakfast on the 4th October, there will be a donations table to raise funds for the 'Lights Switch On' event in November. If you have any unwanted gifts or items you no longer need that could be sold or donated, please let us know. You will be able to purchase items on the 4th. Any remaining items will be stored in the Parish Centre until the day of the Lights Switch On event where they will hopefully be sold to the public. Many thanks. Sue S, Penny, Karen.

FOODBANK FEED UP WARM UP

charity number 1186381

Supplying the homeless and those in need locally. Their needs include tinned soup, beans, meatballs, meats, fish, fruit, biscuits, pasta, microwave rice, and breakfast bars. **Could you pick up an extra item when you do your shopping?** Thank you for your continued support, as just one tin or packet a week can make all the difference to someone in need. Plastic bags also needed if you have any spare.

Please remember in your prayers:

- All those known to us who need **healing** at this time, including: Jane Gilbert, Orla & her family, Sue Willis, Father Philip, Helmut, Jonathan Turner, Clare and Sue Williamson.
 - Those who have died.
 - The Diocese of St Albans, Bishop Andrew; Bishop Jane; Archdeacon Janet, and all those who support us in our worship and ministry.
 - Places suffering from war, conflict and strife, among them: The Middle East, Iran and the Gulf, the Holy Land – Israel and Palestine – Ukraine, Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Mali, Yemen, and Sudan.
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Please email any contributions for this e-leaflet by **12.30pm Monday**
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