

Bulletin for the week beginning 28th July

Sunday 28th July – Ninth Sunday After Trinity

9.00am Holy Communion

10.30 am: Parish Eucharist

Readings: 2 Kings 4. 42-end, Psalm 145. 10-19, Ephesians 3.14-end, John 6. 1-21

Monday 29th July

Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Companions Our Lord

09.15am: Morning Prayer

Tuesday 30th July

William Wilberforce, Social Reformer, Olaudah Equiano and Thomas Clarkson, Anti-Slavery Campaigners, 1833, 1797 and 1846

Wednesday 31st July

Ignatius of Loyola, Founder of the Society of Jesus, 1556

No 9.30am Holy Communion

Friday 2nd August

10.30 am Holy Communion at Loganberry Lodge

Sunday 4th August – Tenth Sunday After Trinity

09.00am: Holy Communion

10.30am: Parish Eucharist

No Place for Grace

Tony will be away on annual leave from Friday 26th July until Sunday 4th August. Please contact the churchwardens if there are any urgent matters while he is away. Please also note that there will be no Wednesday Holy Communion. Services this Sunday will be taken by the Rev. Tim Platts and on Sunday 4th August by the Rev. John Richardson.

Church Heating

After a lengthy period of research the PCC have decided upon a phased programme to restore the heating in the church. The details will be available shortly and a note will be sent out giving all the details. Our application to be a National Demonstrator Church for Net Zero will be considered in September. This should generate considerable funds to help us continue the objective of being net zero with the next two years or so. Part of this programme involves the removal of the old oil boiler and the tank

Church Gardeners

The group for maintaining the churchyard is still happy to have any more volunteers. Please contact Steve Whitfield on 07833-472766 or s.whitfield07@btinternet.com

Stanwell Hub

'Time to Talk Tuesday' is on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the Stanway Lakelands Centre, Western Approach CO3 8WD at 12.45pm – 2.00pm. Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, 6th August**, when Linda Anderson from U3A will be

talking about the work of their organisation in providing activities and groups for older people.

You can also find details of what is happening at Time to Talk Tuesday and other wellbeing matters on StanWell Hub Facebook page [here](#).

Please note time and venue change: From Tuesday, 3rd September, we will be gathering in St Andrews hall at 1.30pm – 3.00pm.

Community coffee morning

Our community coffee morning is on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, between 10.30am - 12 noon. Our next gathering will be on **Wednesday, 14th August**. Everyone is welcome.

A Place for Grace

Our intergenerational All Age worship service, 'A Place for Grace', usually takes place on the first Sunday of every month from 5.30 to 7.00 pm, with a meal and various activities. Contact Tony for more details.

Please note - There will not be any gathering on **Sunday, 4th August**, so the next scheduled will be on **Sunday, 1st September**.

Children at St. Albright's

Children are welcome at all of our services. There are always crafts and activities available in church focussed on the theme of the day.

Family Communion

On the third Sunday of the month, if there is a baptism, the 10.30 Eucharist follows a shorter and simpler form, and families are particularly welcome to this service.

St Albright's Tots

A great playgroup for younger children which meets every Tuesday, except the 2nd Tuesday of the month, from 10.00 to 11.30 in the hall during term time.

Tot's will resume on **Tuesday, 17th September**.

Holy Communion at home

If you would like to receive Holy Communion at home, or if you know anyone who might, then please contact any member of the ministry team. There is also a Parish Pastoral Support Team whose members are able to visit, help and support those in particular need.

Thought for the week written by members of the ministry team and others is available [here](#)

Giving

We now have a card reader in church so that donations may be made using a debit or credit card.

It is also possible to donate to St. Albright's online. There is a dedicated page on the website to make giving much easier.

If you would like further details about how to give, and there are many ways to do so, then please contact any of the ministry team or churchwardens. We particularly

welcome regular giving, however small, either using weekly envelopes or by standing order, and, if you are a taxpayer we can reclaim Gift Aid.

It is also possible to sponsor a day in the life of the church. You may wish to make a one-off donation in memory of someone or to celebrate a particular event. Please contact any of the ministry team or Churchwardens.

Flowers. If you would like to donate towards the cost of providing the beautiful flowers in church, then please speak to any of the ministry team.

For your prayers

Collect for Ninth Sunday After Trinity

Almighty God who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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.

We pray for peace in the Middle East:

Almighty God, from all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle we pray in the hearts of all the true love of peace, and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; 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.

We continue to pray for the people and nations of Ukraine and Russia. For peace and for the relief of suffering. The prayer tree will be remaining in the church until the conflict is over.

A Prayer for Ukraine:

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,
that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.
Amen

Archbishop Justin Welby, Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

We pray for our King, HM King Charles III, our sovereign and Governor of the Church of England

In our church community, please pray for:

Our churchwardens and PCC
Our director of music and the choir

All who help lead our worship - especially readers, intercessors, servers and sidespersons

The ministry and pastoral teams as we seek to help those in particular need.

Those who care for the hall.

Our Architect and the building team

All those who are to be baptized and confirmed

Pray for all those who have been baptised and for our continued connection with baptism families.

All those who are to be married in St. Albright's in 2024 and all who will have their banns called here.

Our outreach, particularly with young people and to the schools in the parish

In the diocese of Chelmsford, please pray for the Bishop of Chelmsford, the Rt. Rev. Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani, and for the Bishop of Colchester, the Rt. Rev Roger Morris. Please also pray for our Archdeacon, the Ven. Ruth Patten, and for all the other parishes in the Colchester Deanery. Our Area Dean was recently made a Canon of Chelmsford Cathedral, so he is now Canon Erwin Lammens, vicar of Wivenhoe. The Assistant Area Dean is the Rev. Hannah Cooper, vicar of St. Luke's, Highwoods.

In the Anglican Communion, please pray for our Archbishops, the Most Rev Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury and the Most Rev, Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York.

Please also pray for the Provincial Episcopal Visitors - The Bishop of Richborough, the Rt Rev Norman Banks, and the Bishop of Ebbsfleet, the Rt Rev Dr Rob Munro and the Bishop of Oswestry the Rt. Rev Paul Thomas.

The diocese of Chelmsford has links with several overseas dioceses in the Anglican communion: in Kenya - Embu, Meru, Mberere and Marsabit; and the diocese of Trinidad and Tobago. There are also links with the diocese of Karlstad in Sweden and the Archdiocese of Iasi in Romania. Please pray for the bishops, clergy and people of these places.

In the wider Church, please pray for the Orthodox Patriarchate of Ukraine, for the Church in South Sudan, for Christian communities in Israel and Palestine, and for all Christians persecuted for their faith.

In the wider world, please pray for a better and wiser stewardship of our natural environment.

For the peace of the world wherever there is conflict.

All the nations of the world and their leaders.

Our Prime Minister and government.

In our Community

Please pray for :

The medical and caring professions.

Other Christian denominations - the Tollgate Methodist Fellowship, Stanway Evangelical Church, The Kingsland Church, St. Teresa's Roman Catholic Church, Lexden.

Colchester Foodbank
Colchester CMA Debt Centre
Colchester Korban Project
The StanWell Hub

All families with young children, and for all our schools.

The elderly, vulnerable and those who have to isolate, and for all those who support them, especially their families.

Loganberry Lodge - all residents, staff and supporters and all who are in care homes and hospital at this time.

All our elected representatives - our MPs, county, city and parish councillors.

Those who have asked for our prayers: Karl, Sheila Bradfield, Joan Alexander, Debra, Daniel, Carol Harvey, Gordon Harvey, Keith, Ida Totham, Penny Miller, Daniel Butcher, Ann Booty, Marcus, Mark Claydon, Allison, Sophie, Jo and Richard, Doreen Hales, Jenny Richardson, Brian Greenaway, Ann and John, Graham and Viv, Alex, Alexander, Simon, Joshua, Jill Dixon, Mervyn, Antony Watson, Maxine Humes, Jean Needs, Suzannah, Irene Brewer, John & Hazel

If you have a particular prayer request there is a box in the church into which you can place a card writing the request or person's name on it. Alternatively you can send a message to the office.

The monthly prayer diary for **July** is on our website with printed copies in the church and distributed to those without access to the internet. The August one will be available shortly.

There is also the Church of England **Prayer Line** which is open 24/7 and is free: **0800 804 8044**

RIP

Emma O'Connell, Sylvia Bannister, John Currell, Eileen Spurgeon, Richard Van Aswegen, Robert Radcliffe, Phyllis Evelyn Clark, Richard Ives, Shirley McCormack, Snowy Barron, Stephen Spice, Veronica Morgan.

We hope you find this bulletin helpful. If you have any contributions, comments or questions then please contact the office or any of the ministry team.

With best wishes,

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