

Church of King Charles the Martyr NOTICES

Sunday 19 October

Harvest

NOTE: All services are broadcast live on Facebook*

*Please see a Welcomer or Church Warden for advice on where to sit to avoid the camera



1030 All age parade service for Harvest followed by lunch in the hall

During our service this morning there will be a collection of goods to be donated to the local **Food Bank.** Our financial offering will be going to the Bishops Harvest Appeal 'Rewrite their future' which focuses on improving access to education in Uganda and Zambia through a partnership with Mission Direct. Please give generously.

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson

Churchwarden: Phil T and Bill S

Musicians: Simon, Choir and Singers

Readers: Jean B Intercessor: Emma K

Chalice: David T and one more

Welcomers: Jean B, Jenny D

Powerpoint Nicola T

Music: 259 (NEH) Come, ye thankful people, come, Harvest Samba, The

Doxology, 118 Give thanks with a grateful heart, For the fruits of His creation,

262 (NEH) We plough the fields and scatter

Anthem: Fairest Lord Jesus - How

All are welcome to come to the hall after the service for a harvest lunch of Autumn Stew with a jacket potato (vegetarian option available) followed by dessert.

Readings for Sunday 19 October Harvest

Collect

Creator God, you made the goodness of the land, the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Philippians 4.4-9 - page 1181 John 6.25-35 - page 1070

Post Communion

Lord of the harvest, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

If you wish to follow the reading then please use one of the Bibles in the church.

Dates for your diary and for prayer

Each week our worship follows this pattern

Tuesday morning 1000 Eucharist

Wednesday morning Please take a few minutes to pray for our community

Sunday morning 0930 Sung Eucharist; 1100 Morning Worship

Sunday 26 October 1100 Café Church

Friday 31st October 1700 – 1900 Light event

Sunday 2 November 1600 Annual Bereavement Service **Sunday 9 November** 1500 Messy Church – Peace theme

See our list of Save the Dates for other upcoming events and services

Musings from the vicarage



When I was asked what I like about being both a teacher and headteacher, I would always answer the fact that every day was different - and I am learning that that still applies as a vicar! There is so much variety in my week, and I love it! From leading services, writing sermons, taking communion to people in their homes, chairing meetings, talking to strangers on the street, washing up, helping with Beavers and Brownies to ... going up in the loft!! Yes, you read that right – going up in the loft which I can assure you is something they don't teach you at vicar school!

Why were we in the loft you may ask — well we were getting hidden treasures down in preparation for the Christmas Fayre which is fast approaching. We still need more help, so if you haven't offered yet, please do - even if it is only for an hour. Also, start collecting all the things which we need or making things to sell. Events like the Christmas Fayre are a great way to encourage people through our doors and enable us to share the love of Jesus with them — something which I can see you do very well with Charlies Angels, Messy Church, the Cafe, the Pastoral team and the list goes on.

Christmas is a great time for us to tell others about God's amazing love for them and so, the Church Wardens and I would like to deliver a leaflet about our Christmas services to as many houses in the parish as we can this year. But we can't do it alone and so would love people to sign up on the sheet at the back of church offering to deliver to a particular road. This could either be done in your own time, or we can



co-ordinate deliveries (Bill is happy to be a taxi to take people to particular roads, or collect them from the ends of long ones) on the morning of Saturday 22nd November or afternoon of Sunday 23rd November, followed by tea and cake! Once we know how many roads we can cover, we will know how many leaflets to produce. Many hands, as they say, make light work! And you may not think it, but volunteering in any of these ways is one way that we are the body of Christ working together to further his kingdom. **Revd Emma**

Prayer – Week beginning 19 October

We invite you to pray on a Wednesday morning, no matter where you are, for our community, our town and the wellbeing of all.

Please pray for: all those who will benefit from our harvest gifts and ask that we might continue to be generous in sharing what we have with those who are not as fortunate as us. Also pray for lasting peace in the Middle East and especially that aid will get to those who so desperately need it.

Those who live in: Elmfield Road, Elmscroft Gardens, Heather Way

Those who are in need of our prayers:

Those with longer term needs:

The recently departed: and any others known to us personally. Anniversary of death: and all whose anniversary falls at this time.

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please contact the ministry team to have a chat or ask to speak to one of the pastoral team who will be happy to support you. The prayer list is published each week. The list is being reviewed, if your name, or the name of a loved one is on the list, please let us know you would like it to remain.

People can be added, moved or removed as required. If you are not on the list and would like to be added, or if you or a loved one are, but feel that this is no longer needed, please do let Revd Emma or the Office know.

In line with the Parish Prayer Policy, please ensure that you have permission from the person whose name you wish to add to the list.

Please email any requests for names to be added to the office (office@kcm-church.org.uk) no later than 5pm on a Wednesday. If you wish to see a copy of the Parish Prayer Policy then please contact the office.

Coming up in church and on Facebook

Sunday 26 October – Bible Sunday

Readings: Isaiah 45.22-end, Psalm 119.129-136, Romans 15.1-6, Luke 4.16-24

0930 Sung Eucharist

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson

Churchwarden: Bill S

Musicians: Simon and Choir

Readers: Brenda W

Intercessor: Lynn J

Chalice: Maureen T Welcomers: Steve I

Music: 494 Christ is the world's true Light, 407 Lord, thy word abideth, 482

Spread, O spread, thou mighty word, 466 Thou whose almighty word

Anthem: In God's word will I rejoice - Purcell

At this service we will be blessing our new Gospel book and re-introducing the Gospel procession. If you would like to bring your own bibles with you to have them blessed, please do so.

1100 Café Church

Leader: David T
Churchwarden: Phil T
Musicians: Singers
Readers: Gary D
Intercessor: Terry H

Welcomers: Ann D, Teen Team





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Bereavement Service. Our annual Bereavement Service will take place on Sunday 2 November at 1600. All are welcome to attend this service to remember friends and family who are no longer with us. If you would like your loved ones remembered, please do add their name to the list at the back of the church, contact Revd Emma or email office@kcm-church.org.uk Please also invite anyone who you think might like to attend.

Youth Pizza evening - 9 young people met at the vicarage last Sunday evening and enjoyed pizza whilst playing games of 'Would you rather?' and charades and chatting. It was so encouraging to see so many youngsters associated with KCM and we hope to make these gatherings a regular event. Watch out for details of the next one which will probably have a Christmassy theme! Thank you to Claire for supporting me with this venture.

Evensong – it was lovely to join with our friends at St Mary's for Evensong on Sunday evening. A big thank you to Simon for playing, the choir for singing, and to all of you who came to support. Our next Evensong will be on Sunday 7th December but we are unsure currently whether this will be a sung or said Evensong.



Recent Fundraising. The Bike 'n' Hike raised a total of £1291, which goes to the Beds & Herts Historic Churches Fund. However, half of this will come back to our own church. A great result. Thanks to all for their generous donations. The recent Quiz Night raised a total of £585 for KCM funds Thanks to all those who organised and took part in the Quiz last Saturday. A most enjoyable evening was had by all. Please look out for future social events and support these when you can.

Hertfordshire Showband Concert and Quiz

Lauren warmly invites you all to the Hertfordshire Showband Concert & Quiz on I November. This is a new venture for the band – a concert and a quiz!! They are fundraising to compete in the World Music Contest next year in the Netherlands as the only UK band, and current double World Champions. It would be wonderful to see you there – you can book as a table of 8 or smaller groups and tables will be created! Any questions please ask Lauren or Maureen.

Cursillo Afternoon

Cursillo are holding a free afternoon event on 22 November as part of the Diocesan Year of Spiritual Renewal and Wellbeing. For further information please go to http://bit.ly/ExploreCursillo or speak to Lynn or Yvonne.

Book Swap.

The bookcase outside the office has recently been filled with donated books, which will now be used for KCM's Book Swap – swap a book, borrow a book, take a book! There are children's books there too.

Messy Church.



Our next Messy Church is on

Sunday 9th November, see attached flyer. The theme will be **Peace - how we can be peace makers** as it is Remembrance Sunday. For one of the crafts, we would like to make these lanterns but to do so we need you to collect for us 2L milk cartoons. If you have any, please can you let me have

them – they don't need to be cut down; we can do that on the day. Many thanks. As someone who doesn't drink milk, it will take me a long while to collect enough! Revd Emma!

Light party or event. Halloween is fast approaching, and it would be good to offer something to our community which focuses more on the light of Christ. We could either run a light party Messy Church event in the hall or set up a stand outside offering hot chocolate, possibly toasted marshmallows and donuts, along with something to take away which



spreads the Christian message of light. I am happy to organise but will need helpers. I am thinking of running from 5:00pm – 7:00pm on Friday 31st October. If you would like to be involved, please speak to me, drop me a whatsapp message or email. Revd Emma

Christmas Fayre



Our Christmas Fayre is getting ever closer with just over a month to go.

Thank you to all those who came to help get things down from the loft on Wednesday morning – what an Aladin's cave that is!

Ways you can help:

- Sign up to help run a stall list at the back of church
- Begin collecting items for the various stalls a list has already been circulated and further copies are available at the back of the church to share with family and friends. Items can be brought to the church or vicarage or left in the upstairs lounge.
- Ask your friends, colleagues, neighbours, local traders etc for any donations or raffle prizes they may have
- Invite everyone you know to join us on the day.
- Come to our next planning meeting on 28th October 7:30 at the vicarage

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE THIS A GREAT SUCCESS

Eco Tip – Take a look at Unblocktober to give reminders of what we all can do to prevent unnecessary blocking of our toilets and sewage pollution www.unblocktober.org/story-unblocktober

Many thanks to Katrina Nice, a Reader in this diocese who is going to be providing our eco tips each week. She is an eco-warrior and is currently working with her church to achieve the A Rocha Silver award, something which it would be great to get here at KCM.

Deanery Synod.

This week our deanery synod met at St Mary's East Barnet where their rector Revd Alec Corio, who has just been appointed as the Diocese Interfaith Advisor, spoke to us about the diocese approach to interfaith work and some of the challenges and strengths of interfaith working. It was a very inspiring and challenging session. Revd Alec emphasised the



need at this present time for us to support our Jewish siblings in the light of the most recent attack on the synagogue in Manchester during this very holy month for them. Bishop Richard also wrote to all churches and said, 'I encourage you in your prayers: for the local communities that are affected by this news, for our siblings of other faiths, and for the work of the Diocese of Manchester to support a positive response to such violence. Our diocese is home to some of the largest Jewish communities in the UK, and so I also encourage you to reach out locally and ensure that synagogues in your parishes receive messages of your support and solidarity'.

Job Vacancy. The diocese is currently looking for a part-time Vocations Administrator (21 hours per week (0.6)). The Administrator will support the Diocesan Director of Ordinands and vocations work in the Ministry Development Team. Further information available following the link below: https://www.stalbansdiocese.org/vacancies/vocations-administrator/

How to access services at KCM

Sunday mornings go to the church website www.kcm-church.org.uk and click on the link on that page it will take you to Facebook where you will be able to click on the LIVE streaming or watch the services from previous weeks.

If you are in church, please be aware that services are live streamed and that you may like to sit nearer the back if you do not wish to be on camera.

Supporting the work and mission of this church

The Church of King Charles the Martyr provides a spiritual focus and outstanding facilities for the local community. It is **OUR** church and like all charities is dependent on the generosity of its members, the local community, and others to make it prosper.

The church and halls cost us over £3000 a week to run and this isn't possible without your generosity.

If you would like to support the work of the Church of King Charles the Martyr, you can do this either as a one off or by joining our regular giving scheme please speak to our Treasurer to set up **regular giving** to help us plan

- by joining the Parish Giving Scheme <u>Potters Bar King Charles Parish</u> <u>Giving Scheme</u>
- with the cashless giving machine in church or online on our webpage.
- Remember us in your Will. Legacies are a tax efficient way of giving to the church. Please do think about us when making or revising your Will.

Potters Bar Food Bank

The food bank is in need of cereal, chopped tomatoes/ pasta sauce, tinned fish, tinned fruit, biscuits, tea/ coffee, juice, UHT milk, Cooking oil.

We have enough nappies and sanitary pads but are in need of soap, shampoo, laundry detergent, washing up liquid and toilet roll

The collection boxes are in the Link corridor outside the office.

Please give generously

How to stay in touch

This notice sheet is posted on our website each week, emailed to all those on our mailing list and posted to those without email access. If you would like to receive a paper copy of this notice sheet please contact the office.

The Church office is staffed and open to the public 9am - I2noon Monday and Thursday. Please do call ahead to ensure that someone will be available to help you. Outside of these hours email and calls are monitored but please be aware it may take a few days for us to get back to you.

PLEASE NOTE:

The office will be closed on **Thursday 16th and Monday 20th October 2025** and the phone and emails will not be monitored during this time. If you message is urgent or you require pastoral help, please contact Revd Emma.

We have a **KCM Family WhatsApp** group for information about the church and a **KCM Social WhatsApp** group to share the more lighthearted social chat – if you would like to join these groups please contact Revd Emma or the wardens to be added.

Keep an eye on our social media

YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbHtNFKZaN7fHV1kIL2tYUQ Facebook https://www.facebook.com/KCMChurchPottersBar/

Please send information for this notice sheet to Imogen at office@kcm-church.org.uk by 5pm Wednesday evening.

In case of pastoral need please contact Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson

Contact details:

The Vicar Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson Rest Day: Friday

01707 661266 / 07549516589

vicar@

Please email the relevant person and we will get back to you as soon as we are able.

All email addresses are xxx@kcm-church.org.uk

Lay Minister / Reader	David Thomson	reader@
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For all hall enquires please email Imogen or Nikki using the halls address (halls@....) and they will respond as soon as they can.

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