



Church of King Charles the Martyr NOTICES

Sunday 9 November
Remembrance Sunday



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

0930 Sung Eucharist

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Churchwarden: Bill S
Musicians: Simon and Choir
Readers: Mila B
Intercessor: Judith R
Chalice: David T
Welcomers: Jean B



Music: 417 O God, our help in ages past, 377 Immortal, invisible, God only wise, 354 Eternal Father, strong to save, 391 King of glory, King of peace

Anthem: So they gave their bodies – Aston

1045 Act of Remembrance

1100 Morning Worship

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Churchwarden: Phil T
Musicians: Simon and Singers
Readers: Emma K
Intercessor: Peter S
Welcomers: Maggie B, Ro A
Powerpoint: Ed S

Music: 492 There is a redeemer, 400 O Lord, you lead me, 37 Beauty for brokenness, 367 My Jesus, my Saviour, 396 O Lord my God, 669 God is our strength and refuge

1500 Messy Church

Theme – Peace

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson

Readings for Sunday 9 November

Remembrance Sunday

Collect

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever

Job 19.23–27a – page 523

Psalms 17.1–9 – page 550

2 Thessalonians 2.1–5, 13–end – page 1189

Luke 20.27–38 – page 1056

Post Communion

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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 9 November

1500 Messy Church – Peace theme

Saturday 22 November

1400-1630 Explore Cursillo Afternoon

Sunday 23 November

1100 Café Church

Saturday 29 November

KCM Christmas Fayre

Saturday 6 December

0830 Churches Together Breakfast Prayers at St Giles Church, Blanche Lane, South Mimms EN6

Musings from the vicarage

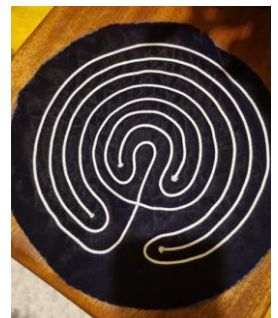
As you are probably aware from last week's notice sheet, I have been on retreat this week, in fact I am writing this sitting in my room at Launde Abbey. Being on retreat is something that does not come naturally to me as I am much happier 'doing' rather than 'being'. However, during this year of spiritual renewal and wellbeing within St Albans diocese, I think God has been teaching me the importance of stopping and stepping aside from the normal routines of life and spending time just waiting on him and being in his presence.



One of the things that I find very helpful during a retreat is to find time, if there is one available, to walk a labyrinth and I was very pleased to find that there was one here at Launde Abbey. Praying the labyrinth is a meditative practice of walking a single, non-distracting path to a centre and then back out, using the journey to reflect, pray and listen. When you start walking a labyrinth, you invite God to walk with you and as you start walking, usually at quite a comfortable pace, you

just chat to God – or at least that's what I do – telling him what is on your heart. In my experience by the time you reach the centre, you are ready to pause and to listen and to just be with God, before walking back out and preparing to return to daily life. If you have never tried it, I highly recommend it as a prayer practise - whether that is actually walking a labyrinth with your feet, or using a smaller one, like the one I have in my study which you walk with your fingers!

As I walked today, the words of the song 'I want to serve the purpose of God in my generation', which has been very significant to me in coming to Potters Bar, kept going through my head and I started to wander off into 'doing' mode as I gave thanks for you all and thought about all the amazing opportunities there are for us at KCM. But God bought me back to 'being' with another song which I haven't sung for years. The words of the song are, 'Rest in my love, relax in my care, and know that my presence will always be there. You are my child, and I care for you, there's nothing my love and my power cannot do'. How often do we get so caught up in doing that we forget to rest in God's love? I wonder what prayer practices you find helpful – I'd love to hear about them and then perhaps over the coming months we can practice some of them together as we deepen our relationship with each other and with God. But for now, while we are in the season of remembering, I pray that we will all remember that God is with us and, in the words of Ignatius, gazes on us with love.



Revd Emma

Prayer – Week beginning 9 November

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 in our world who are still affected by war today, for lasting peace in Gaza and for a world where peace reigns. Pray for all world leaders that they might be guided toward justice and understanding to prevent future conflicts. Give thanks for the work of the Royal British Legion in supporting serving armed forces personnel, veterans, and their families throughout their lives, providing whatever they need, whenever it is needed.

Those who live in: Neville Close, Oakfield Close, Ormesby Drive

The recently departed: and any others known to us personally.

Anniversary of death: George Niblett, Jean Kenyon 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 16 November – Safeguarding Sunday

Readings: Psalm 91, James 2.14-26, 1 John 3.16-24

0930 Sung Eucharist

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Churchwarden: Bill S
Musicians: Adrian P and Choir
Readers: Robert B
Intercessor: Helen S
Chalice: Maureen T
Welcomers: Steve J

Music: 372 He who would valiant be, 385 Jesu, the very thought of thee, Safeguarding Hymn, I cannot tell why he, whom angels worshipped

Anthem: God be in my head – Rutter

1100 Morning Worship

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson
Churchwarden: Phil T
Musicians: Simon and Singers
Readers: Peter S
Intercessor: Helen S
Welcomers: Jenny D, Ann D
Powerpoint: David D
Childrens Group: Emma K, Maureen T

Music: 29 As we are gathered, 297 Jesus, take me as I am, 428 Peace, I give to you, Safeguarding Hymn, Christ's is the world in which we move, In Christ alone, Healing grace

NOTICES

Flowers. The flowers for this week have been kindly donated by Lynn J.

If you would like to donate flowers, please let Steve Jones know, and add your name against the week you would like on the sign up sheet at the back of church. Flowers can be donated in memory of loved ones, to celebrate special dates including anniversaries and birthdays or for particular days in the Church calendar. Speak to Judith if you would like more information about our flower team.



Bereavement Service. A big thank you to everyone who helped with this service. It was a very poignant time, and I know that those who attended were very appreciative. In this season of remembrance, it is important for us all to hold on to the words of our Old Testament reading from the book of Wisdom *'But the souls of the righteous are in the hands of God, and no torment will ever touch them. In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be a disaster, and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace'*. Revd Emma

MAPPAs. The MAPPA for December was emailed out earlier this week. Please do check sooner rather than later, that you are able to do the tasks you have been allocated. If you are unavailable to make your allotted day, then please will you arrange to swap with someone else and then let Imogen know by email as she is not part of the WhatsApp group. If you have not received the MAPPA and were expecting to, then please let Imogen know. Spare copies are available at the back of the church.

Readers for Carol Service. Would you like to read at our Carol Service on Sunday 14 December? Anyone is welcome, whether you have read in church before or are a first timer! Please let Revd Emma know if you are interested. There are 8 volunteers needed. Thank you

Job Vacancy. The Over 60s club is looking for a dedicated and enthusiastic person to be their new Administrator. The job is for 18hrs a week to be worked over 3 days (Tues, Wed and Thurs) with a starting salary of £14 per hour. If you are interested, please contact sixtypluscentre@gmail.com or call 01707 643602 Tuesday or Thursday 8.30 to 1.30 and speak to Lindsey.

Real Advent Calendars. We have a box of Real Advent Calendars for sale. They are £5 each and come with a 24 page Christmas story activity book. Please speak to Steve Jones if you would like to purchase any.



Christmas Leaflet Drop. Thank you to everyone who has offered to deliver our Christmas leaflets. These will hopefully be available next weekend so that we can begin delivering. If anyone knows of an easy way of finding out how many houses there are in each road, please let Revd Emma know! There are still a few roads left to be covered, so if you haven't signed up yet, please do!



Our Christmas Fayre is only 3 weeks away and Kevin the Carrot is getting very excited - he even came to PCC

last week to make sure everyone there had signed up to help - and he hopes you are excited and have signed up too! But to make it the best it can possibly be we need lots more donations. Boxes are available in the link for you to drop these off to church at any time when the halls are open.



Just to remind you, we need:

MORE VOLUNTEERS: to help on the stalls so that people can have a break during the fayre. Please sign up if you haven't already.

DONATIONS – particularly needed are **Toys, Toiletries & Gifts, Bottles** (of any kind) and **Chocolate** for the Tombolas, **Plants & Pots, Books** and **Puzzles** (complete only please), **Preserves** (Home-made Cakes & Biscuits will be needed on the day). Please take a 'donations needed list' from the back of church as an aide-memoire.

RAFFLE PRIZES – including goods for the 1st prize Hamper – sign up for what you will donate for this on the list at the back of church. We will be selling raffle tickets at the café, Charlies Angels and on Sundays.

POSTERS TO BE DELIVERED to local shops, GP surgeries, library etc. These are available at the back of church.

TAKE A POSTER – Please take a poster for your window – and some flyers to invite your friends/neighbours to come and join us – it's always a great community day.

Boxes are in the link for your donations which are accessible at any time the halls are open – thank you

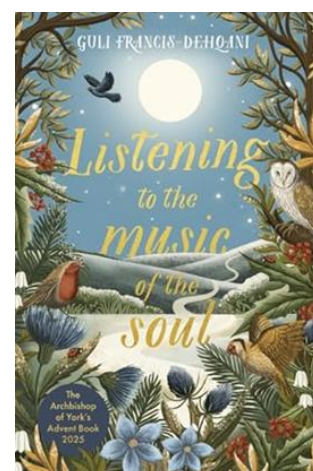
Please talk to the stall holder or Maureen/Jenny/Lynn/John/Helen/Ruth if you have any queries (Maureen 07747607842)

Let's all help to make this Fayre a great success.

Parish Giving Scheme – if you are already part of the Parish Giving Scheme, you will have received an email from them this week about the new digital giving platform which is now live and ready to use, and the fact that you may hear from your bank about a change in the name for the direct debit. If you have any queries about this please speak to Steve, our treasurer. If you are not part of the Parish Giving Scheme, please consider joining it as giving is an important part of discipleship and also a way of feeling that you belong to the church. Regular giving helps us as a church plan ahead and helps us to grow God's kingdom in this place. For more information, please speak to Steve or Revd Emma or, alternatively, visit the website: [Potters Bar King Charles - Parish Giving Scheme](https://www.pottersbar.org.uk/parish-giving-scheme)



Advent Course: Advent Course: I am hoping to run a four-week Advent course this year meeting in the vicarage, offering both a daytime and an evening course using Bishop Guli's new Advent book, *Listening to the music of the soul*. be stand alone and so you do not have to commit to them all. If this is something that you would be interested in joining, please let me know preferably either by whatsapp or email, stating your preferred time and day.





2026 Churches together in Potters Bar Holiday Club: we have had exciting news this week about the Holiday Club which, if we get enough volunteers, will take place **27th – 31st July 2026** and is going to be held at **KCM**. Soon there will be forms available for people to sign up to help, but we wanted to make you aware that it will be happening so that you can put the dates in your diary now. Please pray that enough volunteers will come forward so that it can

happen, and also, please consider volunteering yourself. There are lots of roles that need filling from furniture removing to providing refreshments to helping with games and crafts to providing prayer support for the leaders. You don't need to have been involved before as all necessary training will be provided. If you would like to know more, please speak to Nicola or Revd Emma.

Eco Tip Remembrance Sunday: Why not plant some bulbs in memory of a loved one? There is still time to plant bulbs for spring flowering giving an early source of nectar for bees and other pollinators.

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 [Potters Bar King Charles - Parish Giving Scheme](#)
- 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.

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.

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 - 12noon 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.

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/UCbHtNFKZaN7fHVIkIL2tYUQ>

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.

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 can.

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

Lay Minister / Reader	David Thomson	reader@
Church Warden	Phil Townsend	churchwarden1@
Church Warden	Bill Simpson	churchwarden2@
Safeguarding Officer	Helen Schmitz	safeguarding@
Admin Assistant	Imogen St Pierre	office@
PCC Secretary	Nicola Thrussell	pccsecretary@
Treasurer	Steve Jones	treasurer@
Children and Families Worker	Vacant	families@
Youth Worker	Vacant	youth@
Music	Simon Worley	music@

**For all hall enquires please email Imogen or Nikki using the halls address
(halls@....) and they will respond as soon as they can. www.kcm-church.org.uk
01707 665579**



@KCMChurchPottersBar



KCM CHRISTMAS FAYRE – 29th NOVEMBER 2025.

We are looking for a variety of new or good quality items for any of the following stalls – and for volunteers to man/woman them! Please sign up to help even if it is only for an hour!!

Donations can be brought to church at any time – boxes will be in the link, or to the café on a Thursday, or given to your uniformed organisation group leaders or one of the organising team.

Please spread the word - ask friends, neighbours and your social groups if they can support us with donations – and don't forget to invite everyone to join us on the day!

Stalls	
Raffle	New Items or Vouchers
Bottles Tombola (both alcoholic and non-alcoholic)	As well as Bottles of alcohol, this could be soft drinks, washing up liquid, hand wash, shower gel, cooking oil – in fact anything that comes in a bottle – use your imagination! 😊
Adult Tombola	New Items or vouchers
Children's Chocolate Tombola (multiple)	Large or small – it doesn't matter or multi-packs which can be split.
Teddy Tombola	Any New or clean (washed please) soft toys for someone else to love.
Toys/Games	New or clean, good quality pre-loved items – if you don't need it anymore, someone else might be delighted to have it.
Toiletries	Please ensure toiletries are in date and unused.
Gifts	Any unwanted gifts in your cupboard? – gratefully received.
Cards	Any homemade cards or other cards to sell

Books/Puzzles/CD's	Good condition books, complete puzzles only please.
Home-made Preserves & Cakes etc. (including Iced Christmas Cakes – Maureen) -	Our fabulous home-made cakes and preserves are always a great hit – please sign up if you are able to provide cakes/mince pies/marmalade etc. to be brought on Friday or on the day.
Crafts Paintings Other hidden talents??	Any homemade craft items – we have many in our congregation and amongst our friends who have countless talents – what might you be able to bring? Whilst we are busy making Christmas items for our Christmas stall, we would welcome anything suitable for our crafts table. We are always looking to expand our group.
Christmas Stall	Any items specifically for Christmas.
Plants etc Stall	
Santa's Grotto (in church)	Santas and elves needed! If can help, speak to Revd Emma
Children's Crafts (in church) -	Any ideas – speak to Revd Emma
Café	
Christmas Hamper	There will be a list soon of items that can be purchased to include in the hamper for main raffle prize.
Any else that you think would be useful or that you can offer.	

Please bring any items into church or to the office or hand to one of the organising team – Maureen, Jenny, Helen, John, Ro, Ruth, Anne, Rev'd Emma