



# Church of King Charles the Martyr NOTICES

Sunday 20 September  
**Creationtide 3**



**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**

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| Officiant:    | Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson |
| Preacher:     | David T                  |
| Churchwarden: | Nicola T                 |
| Musicians:    | Simon and Choir          |
| Readers:      | Lauren T                 |
| Intercessor:  | Sue T                    |
| Chalice:      | David T                  |
| Welcomers:    | Steve J                  |

**Music:** 186 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord, 456 Teach me, my God and King, 397 Let us with a gladsome mind, Amazing Grace (on sheet)

**Anthem:** I give you a new commandment - Aston

## **1100 Morning Worship**

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| Officiant:    | Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson |
| Preacher:     | David T                  |
| Churchwarden: | Robin B                  |
| Musicians:    | Simon and Singers        |
| Readers:      | Emma K                   |
| Intercessor:  | Gary D                   |
| Welcomers:    | Jenny D, Ann D           |
| Powerpoint:   | David D                  |

**Music:** 11 All I once held dear, 89 Faithful one, 571 When I look into your holiness, In Christ alone, 384 O give thanks, 114 From heaven you came, Amazing Grace, Only by Grace

# Readings for Sunday 20 September

## Collect

Gracious God,

You fed your people with manna from heaven, teaching them to trust your daily provision. Help us to live simply, that all may simply live.

Curb our greed and awaken gratitude, that we may receive your gifts with reverence and care.

Sustain us with your bounty and guide us in justice, as we walk gently upon your earth;

Through Christ, the Bread of Life.

**Exodus 16.2- 15** – *page 74*

**Psalms 105.1-6, 37-45**

**Philippians 1.21 – 30** – *page 1178*

**Matthew 20.1 – 16** – *page 987*

## Post Communion

Lord of all creation, as we have received the bread and wine,  
fruits of the earth and tokens of salvation,  
so with joy we celebrate your goodness  
and commit ourselves to serve you on your earth,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Potters Bar Food Bank**

Thank you to everyone who has recently donated to the Food Bank over the Summer – the boxes are full of goodies. They have now reopened and I am sure will be very grateful for our donations. Please leave your donations in the boxes in the Link Corridor. Access to the foodbank is by referral, please speak to local clergy in confidence.

## Musings from the Vicarage

Having just come in from the first KCM theatre trip to the Wylllyotts to see 'Come From Away' on the 25th anniversary of 9/11, I just had to sit and write. It is an amazing story and Green Rooms performed it as well, if not better, than any Westend Cast. Many congratulations to Simon Gaines, the producer – the brother of someone we all know well.



There were two moments that really struck me during the performance and showed that even in the tragic events of that day, God was at work. The first was when a frightened man from Africa arrived on a bus at the Salvation Army Camp in Gander and didn't understand the driver's instructions and so was hesitant to leave the bus. In the stage show he is clutching a bible – on 9/11 it was apparently his wife who was clutching the bible – and so the bus driver, realising that even though it is written in a language he doesn't understand the numbering will be the same. So, he turns to Philippians 4:6 and shows it to the man. That verse says 'Be anxious for nothing'.

As the man reads it, he understands and the next line of the play is, 'And that's how we started speaking the same language'.



Isn't that an amazing line – and isn't it so true that through the bible, we speak the same language as all our brothers and sisters around the world. In moments of great fear and uncertainty, it is the word of God which brings comfort and which unites people. Those four simple words 'be anxious for nothing' provided a bridge of understanding between people of different languages and cultures and remind us again today of the power of God's

word.

Whatever we are currently facing – let's hear those words again for ourselves. As we think about the people in the Middle East that we heard about on Sunday - let's pray those words for them.

And as we remember all those who lost loved ones in 9/11 and how the world changed forever let's keep praying and giving thanks for all the small acts of kindness that day that helped to provide reassurance and calm in moments of extreme anxiety.

The second moment was when in the middle of the show, Kevin, one of the passengers who is stranded, sings, 'Make me a channel of your peace' and there was a stillness that fell over the stage and the auditorium. Then a Rabbi starts praying for peace in his Jewish tradition, and a Muslim man who's been viewed with suspicion joined them along with two Hindu women and the Arabic, Hebrew and Hindi languages blend in with the English, reminding us that as Christians we don't have the monopoly on praying for peace. In that moment, they were all united through their faith and the comfort it brought to them and others.



As we look at our world today, 25 years later and we think about all those innocent people who are caught up in wars and conflicts, we need to remember to keep praying, along with others from all cultures and religions, for peace. At times, I am sure you like me, feel that there is so little that I

can do but I think we should take inspiration from the ordinary people of that Newfoundland community who came together with scared strangers from all around the world and demonstrated empathy and compassion, through their acts of kindness, and pray again ourselves, 'Make me a channel of your peace'.

Rev'd Emma

**Can you spot people you know in these pictures!**



## Prayer – Week beginning 20 September

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:** Bishop Andrew, his wife and family as he is installed as the Bishop of St Albans. Pray also for Revd Atalie as she works with him as his chaplain and for Dean Jo as she begins her study leave on Sunday. Pray that through his ministry, this diocese will be drawn deeper into God's love.

**Those who live in:** Wylyotts Close, Wylyotts Lane

**The recently departed:** Barbara Driscoll, Sarah Bulling, Jeannie Flett and any others known to us personally.

**Anniversary of death:** Michael Bailey, Iris Geary, Timothy Stidolph

If you, or someone you know, need 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. If you or a loved one are not on the list and would like to be added, 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. The prayer list is published each week. **It is reviewed at the end of each month, so please let us know if you wish a name to stay on the list.**

**Installation of Bishop Andrew as the 11<sup>th</sup> Bishop of St Albans:** If you would like to watch the service, you can do so by following this link: [The Installation of the Rt Revd Dr Andrew Rumsey as the 11<sup>th</sup> Bishop of St Albans](#)



## ***Dates for your diary and for prayer***

*Each week our worship follows this pattern*

|                          |                                                            |
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| <b>Monday morning</b>    | <i>0900 Morning Prayer</i>                                 |
| <b>Tuesday morning</b>   | <i>1000 Eucharist</i>                                      |
| <b>Wednesday morning</b> | <i>Please take a few minutes to pray for our community</i> |
| <b>Thursday morning</b>  | <i>0900 Morning Prayer</i>                                 |

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| <b>Saturday 19 September</b> | 1115 Baptism of James Hardy<br>1400 Installation of Bishop Andrew, St Albans Cathedral |
| <b>Monday 21 September</b>   | No morning prayer                                                                      |
| <b>Sunday 27 September</b>   | 1500 Holiday Club reunion at KCM                                                       |
| <b>Sunday 29 September</b>   | 1930 Bible study groups start again – meeting fortnightly                              |
| <b>Tuesday 6 October</b>     | 1100 Bible study group – then the following week and then fortnightly                  |
| <b>Saturday 17 October</b>   | KCM quiz night                                                                         |
| <b>Sunday 18 October</b>     | 1300 Churches Together in Potters Bar Listening Afternoon at Our Lady and St Vincent.  |
| <b>Saturday 31 October</b>   | 1700 Saints and Sausages – more detail soon                                            |
| <b>Friday 13 November</b>    | Wine Tasting night – more details to follow                                            |
| <b>Saturday 14 November</b>  | KCM Away Day make sure you have saved the date                                         |
| <b>Friday 4 December</b>     | Wreath Making – more details to follow                                                 |

**Safeguarding Awareness:** You may have seen in the news that all schools in England must now hold spare EpiPens, train staff, adopt allergy policies, and maintain individual healthcare plans under Benedict's Law. Benedict's Law, named after five-year-old Benedict Blythe who tragically died from an allergic reaction at school, aims to improve allergy safety. Please do let us know if you, or anyone in your family, have any allergies especially when coming to shared meals, so that we can keep you and your children safe.

**Tip Trinity 16:** Could you make a conscious effort to only buy fruit and veg that is in season this week (and better still for the food miles, produce that is grown in the UK!) - reducing your carbon footprint and helping British farmers.

# NOTICES

**Holiday Club Reunion.** Everyone is welcome to join us on Sunday 27 September at KCM at 15:00 to hear more about this year's Holiday Club and to look ahead to next year. If you were a volunteer or on the teen team, we really hope you will join us. Thanks to those who have completed the evaluation form – there is still time to do so if you haven't yet by following this link:  
<https://form.jotform.com/262232461694054>

**MAPPA.** The MAPPA for October was emailed out last 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.

**Outing to the Wyllyotts.** We had a great time as a group watching Come From Away last week which was a very moving portrayal of a true story of human kindness which I am sure many of us were not fully aware of. We were also noticed out together by some of our regulars at the cafe! It was also great to support Greenrooms, one of our regular hirers. What shall we go and see next – Grease?

## Up and coming social events

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| October 17  | Quiz Night      | 19.00 for 19.30 start £10.00 pp      |
| November 13 | Wine Tasting    | 19.30 for 20.00 start £20.00 pp      |
| November 28 | Christmas Fayre | 11.00 - 14.00                        |
| December 4  | Wreath Making   | 19.30 £35 a ticket – places limited. |

**Book the dates and watch for more details soon.**

**See the back page for details of more events over Autumn**

**Christmas Fayre planning meeting.** Anyone interested in helping to plan the Christmas Fair is invited to a meeting on Tuesday 6 October, 19:30 at the vicarage. Let's make this the best Fayre yet, so come along with lots of ideas.

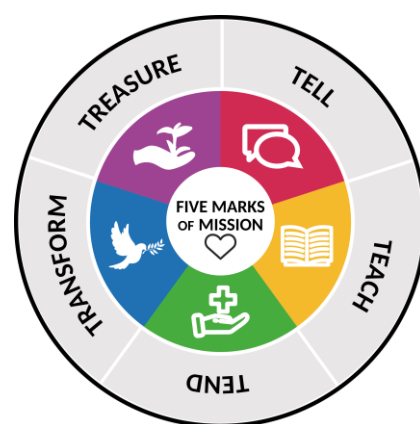


**Bike 'n' Hike** Nine hardy souls and two dogs, set out last Saturday morning to represent KCM on the annual fund raiser for Beds & Herts Historic Churches. Hiking and biking from North Mymms to South Mimms and Ridge, we were lucky with the weather and were welcomed at the churches along the way.



Thanks to all who have supported us financially - so far the Just Giving page <https://www.justgiving.com/page/steven-jones-4> has raised £930 - can we get it to £1000?

**Bible Study Groups Autumn 2026** This Autumn in our bible study groups we will be thinking about the five marks of Mission. Everyone is welcome to join us at all or some of the sessions. They are very informal and we chat together around various bible passages connected to the theme. Please sign the list at the back of church if you know you will definitely be coming to give me some idea of numbers, but also feel free to just turn up!



The morning sessions will be held in the church following the weekly Communion service, and the evening sessions will be at the vicarage at 19.30.

| Session   | Morning 11.00 | Evening 19.30 |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|
| Treasure  | 6 October     | 29 September  |
| Tell      | 13 October    | 13 October    |
| Teach     | 27 October    | 27 October    |
| Tend      | 10 November   | 10 November   |
| Transform | 24 November   | 24 November   |

**Saints and Sausages** On 31 October we are holding a Saints and Sausages Light party 17.00 – 19.00. At this stage I am looking for volunteers to help with this – registration, cooking sausages, helping with crafts, serving refreshments etc. If you are available and would like to help, please let me know.



# Coming up in church and on Facebook

## Sunday 27 September – Trinity 17

**Readings:** Exodus 17: 1- 7, Psalm 78: 1 – 4, 11 – 15, Philippians 2: 1 – 13, Matthew 21: 23 – 32

### 0930 Sung Eucharist

Officiant: Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson  
Churchwarden: Helen and John S  
Musicians: Simon and Choir  
Readers: Lynn J  
Intercessor: Jean B  
Chalice: Steve J  
Welcomers: Lynn J

**Music:** 296 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour, 357 Father, hear the prayer we offer, 134 The head that once was crowned with thorns, 486 We have a gospel to proclaim

**Anthem:** Teach me, O Lord – Attwood

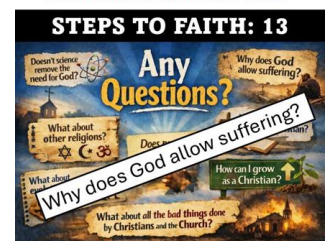
### 1100 Café Church

#### Theme: **Why does God allow suffering**

Officiant: David T  
Churchwarden: Phil T  
Musicians: Simon and Singers  
Readers: Peter S  
Intercessor: Terry H  
Welcomers: David H, Susie T



Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September  
KCM Church Main Hall 10.45



**Harvest Festival:** Our harvest festival this year will be on Sunday October 4<sup>th</sup> with a 9.30 communion service and then an 11.00 non-eucharistic family service with our Uniformed Organisations. We have decided that this year as well as collecting food for the foodbank, we will be making a monetary collection for Nepal. All money collected that day in cash or on the sum-up machine will go to the appeal. Please give generously.

## 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.

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

### Contact details:

**The Vicar**      **Revd Emma-Jane Wilkinson**

**Rest Day:**  
**Friday**

01707 661266 / 07549516589

vicar@

All email addresses are [xxx@kcm-church.org.uk](mailto:xxx@kcm-church.org.uk)

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|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| <b>Lay Minister / Reader</b>    | David Thomson    | reader@        |
| <b>Church Warden</b>            | Vacant           | churchwarden1@ |
| <b>Church Warden</b>            | Bill Simpson     | churchwarden2@ |
| <b>Safeguarding Officer</b>     | Helen Schmitz    | safeguarding@  |
| <b>Admin Assistant</b>          | Imogen St Pierre | office@        |
| <b>Halls Administrator</b>      | Nikki Edwards    | halls@         |
| <b>PCC Secretary</b>            | Nicola Thrussell | pccsecretary@  |
| <b>Treasurer</b>                | Steve Jones      | treasurer@     |
| <b>Building Committee Chair</b> | Phil Townsend    | buildings@     |
| <b>Music</b>                    | Simon Worley     | music@         |



# Churches Together Potters Bar

## Saturday Morning Prayer 2026

Join us at 8.30am on the first Saturday of each month as we pray for the Churches and Community of Potters Bar.

Meetings last about 45 mins followed by breakfast.

**Saturday 3 October**

**St Mary and All Saints**

The Walk, EN6 1QQ

**Saturday 7 November**

**Our Lady & St Vincent**

243 Mutton Lane, EN6 2AT

**Saturday 5 December**

**United Reformed**

**Church Darkes Lane**

[www.ctpb.org.uk](http://www.ctpb.org.uk)

## Autumn Events at KCM

### Save The Dates

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September – 10.45am Café Church

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October – 9.30am Harvest Eucharist and  
11.00am Harvest Praise with the Uniformed Organisations  
followed by Harvest Lunch – all welcome

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October – 3.00pm Messy Church

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October – 7.00pm for 7.30pm Quiz Night  
£10pp

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October – 1.00pm CTiPB Listening Afternoon at  
OLSV

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October – 10.45am Café Church

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October – 5.00-7.00pm  
Saints and Sausages Light Party

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November – 4.00pm Annual Bereavement  
Service followed by refreshments

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November – 10.50am Act of Remembrance  
3.00pm Messy Church

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November – 7.30pm for 8.00pm start KCM Wine  
Tasting night £20 pp

Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November – 11.00am KCM Christmas Fayre

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December – KCM Wreath Making 7.30pm £35pp

Look out for details of Christmas services and events