

Notices:

- ❖ Every service is a "Family Service". Children of all ages are welcome and will have something to help us out with if they want to. Carrying the cross, the offering plate round, even giving us lovely sounds of baby chatter (it's not crying to us). There is a children's corner too.
- ❖ Baptism does not have to wait, kindly contact us to fix a date.

In Our Community: News & Events

Save the date – 29 March St Andrew's

The Reverend Doctor Cally Hammond, Dean and Fellow of Gonville and Caius in Cambridge will give us a Lent talk, starting at Noon in church to be followed by a Lent lunch. More details to follow.

Lent Course

St Andrew's and Holy Cross will re run (on Zoom) Michael McAdam's Lent course each morning at 9 am for 10 minutes (except Sundays) in Lent, starting on 5 March (Ash Wednesday) and finishing on 17 April (Maundy Thursday). More details on 'NOTICES' page of the website.

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Sunday 9 March 2025

Lent 1

@ St Mary's Albury

The Benefice of Albury, Little Hadham

& Much Hadham

We Are Living God's Love

*Our Church is for more than
"hatched, matched, dispatched & jingle bells".
It is our history, handed over to us by our
grandparents for our grandchildren.
Keep it alive. Attend & support your church.*

Bank details:

Albury Parochial Church Council

Sort code: 20-36-98 Account No. 00106887

**Rev. Tayo will be leading us in worship today.
Please stay for refreshments & catching up after the service.**

Looking Ahead: March

**Remember: Daily Lent Course @ 9 am via Zoom,
excluding Sundays – see website 'NOTICES'**

Sunday 16 March 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion
@ St Andrew's Much Hadham

Sunday 23 March 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion
@ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

Afternoon tea on the first Sunday every month,
3 - 5 pm at Albury Village Hall.

Much Hadham Baby and Toddler Group meets on
Tuesdays in term time 9.30- 11.30 in Much Hadham
Village Hall.

Please Keep In Our Prayers:



Stuart Sagers
Peter Radley
Joanne Luxford

Margaret Radley
David Stroud
Tamsin Farrell

And the bereaved families of:
John Webb

Sermons in Lent

We would have "teaching sermons" every Sunday during lent, talking about praying, looking at some Bible persons who chatted with God, interceded for others, both are also called prayers. What else is prayer and how do we pray? Come and let us chat about this and more during the service.

Our Hymns for this service are:

Opening: CP96. Jesu Lover of My Soul.

Gradual: CP97. Lord Jesus Think On Me

Offertory: CP198. There's A Spirit In The Air

Closing: CP.542. O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go.

We Pray The Collect Together:

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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 Listen To God's Word

Psalm 91.1, 2, 9–end

¹ Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides under the shadow of the Almighty,

² **Shall say to the Lord, my refuge and my stronghold, my God, in whom I put my trust.**

⁹ Because you have made the Lord your refuge and the Most High your stronghold,

¹⁰ **There shall no evil happen to you, neither shall any plague come near your tent.**

¹¹ For he shall give his angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.

¹² **They shall bear you in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

¹³ You shall tread upon the lion and adder; the young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.

¹⁴ **Because they have set their love upon me, therefore will I deliver them; I will lift them up, because they know my name.**

¹⁵ They will call upon me and I will answer them; I am with them in trouble, I will deliver them and bring them to honour.

¹⁶ **With long life will I satisfy them and show them my salvation.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.

Romans 10.8b–13

⁸ But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹ because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For one

believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. ¹¹ The scripture says, No one who believes in him will be put to shame. ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. ¹³ For, everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Luke 4.1–13

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ² where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³ The devil said to him, If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread. ⁴ Jesus answered him, It is written, One does not live by bread alone. ⁵ Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶ And the devil said to him, To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷ If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours. ⁸ Jesus answered him, It is written, Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him. ⁹ Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰ for it is written, He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you, ¹¹ and on their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. ¹² Jesus answered him, It is said, Do not put the Lord your God to the test. ¹³ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.