

Next Sunday, 15th November, is the Second Sunday before Advent. Stephen Fielding will preside at Holy Communion at 8.00am. There will be Parish Communion with Holy Baptism at 9.30am. Stephen Fielding will preside and preach. There will be a service of Holy Communion at St Peter's, Tewin at 6.30pm. Coralie McClusky will preside and Colin Hull will preach.

If you are planning to attend **Alan Winton's installation** service in Norwich Cathedral at 3.30 pm on Sunday 15th November, could you please let one of the churchwardens know so we can advise the Diocese of Norwich of likely numbers? We will not be organising a coach on this occasion.

The Carer's Group: The next Carer's Lunch will be on Thursday 19th November in St Mary's New Church House at 12.30pm. Lunch will be followed by a talk by Mr Chris Ardill, Advice Line Manager for 'The Relatives and Residents Association'. Please feel free to arrive from 12 midday onwards for a drink of juice and a 'natter'. To help us with our catering we would be grateful if you would let Philippa Dowdell in the office (01438 840964) know if you can come by 12 midday on Tuesday 17th November. We always have a little extra for those who find they can come without prior notice. Please be assured of a very warm welcome to our gathering.

Time for God Group: The next meeting is on Friday 20th November from 9.30 – 11am at 23 Bluebells. We will be exploring the story and characters of Esau and Jacob. All welcome. For more details contact Margot Kenworthy on 718732.

St Michael's Church is holding a **Quiz Night** on **Saturday 21st November at 7 for 7.30pm** in Woolmer Green Village Hall. Tickets £8 to include supper from 01438 812539 and 01438 814573. Please bring your own drink.

Fairtrade Sale: There will be Fairtrade Christmas Sales in New Church House on Saturdays 28th November, 5th/12th December from 10-11.30am.

Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust: Hike & Bike Saturday 12th September 2009. All our efforts were not in vain as the final total of the money raised on behalf of the above trust is around £450 half of which will come directly to St Mary's. Many thanks to those who valiantly cycled for miles, those ten or twelve in our group of walkers who covered most of the Churches in the benefice and those who sat in our church signing in people from other parishes.

For details of **weekday services** please see the notice in the porch.



For your Prayers

The Residents of: Rosecroft Lane; Woodacre Drive; Hillside Way

The Sick: Muriel Taylor; Yim Lon Chong; Connie Udale; Sophie Washington; Dawn Tilley; Derek Haslam; Bryan Tipping; Peter Brooks; Benjamin Gardner; Lynda Corry; Anthony Munn; Penny Wakefield; Canon John Farrant

Those who have died recently and for their families and friends: Jim Tappendon; Daisy Cooper

This week please pray for:

Our Clergy, Coralie, Diane and Stephen
Our Readers Colin, Usha, Catherine and Mick
The Royal British Legion
The Church Women's Fellowship
The Welwyn Community Café
All the churches of our Team Ministry during this period of a vacancy
All those affected by the aftermath of the fire at The Wellington

Next week's readings: Daniel 12: 1-3; Hebrews 10: 11-14, 19-25; Mark 13: 1-8

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St Mary the Virgin,
Welwyn

**Sunday 8th November
Remembrance Sunday**

We welcome all our visitors to this **Service of Parish Communion** and hope you will stay behind afterwards for a cup of coffee.

For those with a hearing aid an induction loop is fitted in this church for your use. There are also large print versions of the service and the hymn books available. Please ask one of the sidespersons.

*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 forever.
Amen*

Opening Hymn: 333
'All my hope on God is founded'

First Reading: Psalm 23
(Read by Keith Thompson)

Second Reading: Titus 3: 1-7
(Read by Vickie Harris)

Gradual Hymn: 480
'In Christ there is no East or West

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Roll of Honour

Stand: Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping: those who have died for their country in war; those whom we knew, and whose memory we treasure; and all who have lived and died in the service of mankind.

The list of those to be remembered by name will then be read.

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

And all shall repeat:

We will remember them.

Offertory Hymn: 355

‘Eternal Ruler of the ceaseless round’

(During this hymn a collection will be taken)

During Communion the Choir will sing:

‘In paradisum - Requiem’ -Gabriel Fauré.

Communion Hymn: ‘Beauty for brokenness’

1) Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair,
Lord in your suffering world this is our prayer:
bread for the children, justice, joy, peace;
sunrise to sunset, your kingdom increase!

2) Shelter for fragile lives, cures for their ills,
work for the craftsmen, trade for their skills;
land for the dispossessed, rights for the weak,
voices to plead the cause of those who can’t speak.

*God of the poor, friend of the weak,
give us compassion we pray:
melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain;
come, change our love from a spark to a flame.*

3) Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear,
cities for sanctuary, freedoms to share;
peace to the killing fields, scorched earth to green,
Christ for the bitterness, his cross for the pain.

4) Rest for the ravaged earth, oceans and streams
plundered and poisoned - our future our dreams.
Lord, end our madness, carelessness, greed;
make us content with the things that we need.

*God of the poor, friend of the weak,
give us compassion we pray:
melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain;
come, change our love from a spark to a flame.*

5) Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame
until your justice burns brightly again;
until the nations learn of your ways,
seek your salvation and bring you their praise.

*God of the poor, friend of the weak,
give us compassion we pray:
melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain;
come, change our love from a spark to a flame.*

Final Hymn: 339 ‘Be thou my vision’

**The congregation is invited to follow the
Procession out to the War Memorial**

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Please note there will be no coffee after today’s service. The Congregation is invited to follow the procession out to the War Memorial after this service for the **Act of Remembrance**. This will be followed by the **Parade Service**, a short service in church of prayers, hymns and readings. All welcome.

Choral Evensong
this evening at 6.30pm in St Mary’s

Anthem -‘**O for a closer walk with God**’ -

C V Stanford

Responses-Ferial

Led by Stephen Fielding

All welcome

The next meeting of the **Church Women’s Fellowship**

Welwyn Community Café
every Tuesday from 9am-12noon
in St Mary’s New Church House

This is a joint venture between the Parish Council and
St Mary’s and aims to provide a weekly congenial
meeting place for everyone in the local area.

Tea/coffee/biscuits/cakes available

will be on Tuesday 10th November when Mrs Glen
Brown will give a talk entitled ‘The Cross’.

Auditions for Welwyn The Mysteries 2010 will take
place on **Tuesday 10th November** at 7.30pm in St
Mary’s Church. Everyone is welcome to be part of this
exciting venture. For further details contact Keith
Thompson on 840553, Usha Hull on 813974 or the
Church Office on 840964 (10am to 12 noon).

There will be a **Classical Guitar Concert** at St
Michael’s Church, Woolmer Green given by local
resident, Howard Bryant, with Rod Faulkner on
Saturday 14th November at 7.30pm. Ticket price is
£8 (50% will go to Stevenage School for Autism and
50% to church funds). Tickets are available from Jane
Thom 01438 814573.