

The AGM of the Mothers' Union will be held on Tuesday 2nd February at 11 Mardley Avenue at 2.00pm. A Mothers' Union DVD 'Home' will be shown.



The Residents of: Becket Gardens; The Beeches; Broomfield Close

The Sick: Muriel Taylor; Yim Lon Chong; Connie Udale; Sophie Washington; Dawn Tilley; Bryan Tipping; Peter Brooks; Lynda Corry; Penny Wakefield; Ann Gurney; Brian Evers; Anne Humphreys

Those who have died recently: Bill Grimwade; Doris Mildenhall
and please pray also for their families and friends

This week please pray for:
Our Clergy, Coralie, Diane and Stephen
Those baptised this morning William and James
The PCC Meeting
The Community Café; The Mothers' Union;
The Pram Service
The Carer's Lunch
All the churches of our Team Ministry during this period of a vacancy

Next week's readings: Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Corinthians 12: 12-31a; Luke 4: 14-21

St Mary the Virgin,
Welwyn

Sunday 17th January
The Second Sunday of Epiphany

We warmly welcome all our visitors to this Service of **Parish Communion with Holy Baptism** 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 God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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. Amen*

Opening Hymn: 486
'We have a gospel to proclaim'

First Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11
(Read by Keith Thompson)

Gradual Hymn: 367
'Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost'

Gospel: John 2: 1-11

The Baptism follows the sermon.
This morning we welcome **William James Kingdon** and **James Vernon-Harrap** into the family of Christ's Church in Holy Baptism. Please pray for them, their parents and Godparents, that today they will know the strength of God's love and receive his blessing as they follow in the way of Christ.

The Annual Memorial Service

to remember before God those who have died will be held in St Mary's

Sunday 21st February at 3pm

The service will be led by the Revd Coralie McCluskey and the address will be given by the Revd Sandie Beck Chaplain to the Lister Hospital

All welcome

Weekday Services

Monday	9.00am	Morning Prayer
Tuesday	5.00pm	Evening Prayer at Tewin
Wednesday	9.30am 12.00pm 2.00pm	Holy Communion Funeral Pram Service
Thursday	5.00pm	Evening Prayer at Datchworth
Friday	10.00am	Holy Communion at St Michael's
Saturday	9.00am	Prayers for the life of the Parish and healing

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Offertory Hymn: 'Jesus is Lord!'

(During this hymn a collection will be taken)

1) Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it,
for by his pow'r, each tree and flow'r was planned
and made.

Jesus is Lord! The universe declares it;
Sun, moon and stars in heaven cry: Jesus is Lord!

Jesus is Lord! Jesus is Lord!

Praise him with alleluias, for Jesus is Lord!

2) Jesus is Lord! Yet from his throne eternal
in flesh he came to die in pain on Calv'ry's tree.
Jesus is Lord! From him all life proceeding,
yet gave his life as ransom thus setting us free.

3) Jesus is Lord! O'er sin the mighty conqu'ror,
from death he rose and all his foes shall own his
name.

Jesus is Lord! God sends his Holy Spirit
to show by works of power that Jesus is Lord.

The Eucharistic Prayer

If you are a full member of another Christian Church
you are welcome to make your communion with us.
If you do not normally receive communion you are
most welcome to come up and receive a blessing
simply cross your hands in front of you to show that
you wish to have a blessing. The newly baptised and
all other children should be brought up.

During Communion the Choir will sing
'O come ye servants of the Lord' - Tye.

Communion Hymn: 140

'Holy Spirit, come, confirm us'

Final Hymn: 431 'O thou who camest from above'

Notices

There will be a service of *Holy Communion* at
6.30pm this evening in St Peter's, Tewin. Coralie
McCluskey will preside and Usha Hull will preach.

There is a *PCC meeting* tomorrow, Monday 18th
January, at 8pm in New Church House.

The next *Pram Service* will be on Wednesday, 20th

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

January, at 2pm in St Mary's. All pre-school
children, their parents and carers welcome at this
relaxed informal service.

The next *Carers' Lunch* will be on Thursday 21st
January in St Mary's New Church House. We arrive
from 12 midday onwards for a drink and a chat, and
lunch is at 12.30. Lunch will be followed by a
Quiz. To help with our catering we would be grateful
if you would let Philippa Dowdell (01438 840964)
know if you can come by Tuesday 19th January. We
always have a little extra for those who find they can
come without prior notice. Please be assured of a
very warm welcome.

*Next Sunday, 24th January, is the Third Sunday of
Epiphany.* Stephen Fielding will preside at Holy
Communion at 8.00am. There will be Parish Com-
munion at 9.30pm. Stephen Fielding will preside and
preach. There will be a service of Evensong at
6.30pm in St Mary's led by Diane Whittaker.

**The next Men's Breakfast will be
on Saturday 6th February
in St Mary's New Church House
at 8.00 for 8.15am**

The speaker will be **Michael Harris**

"What redundancy did for me.
How I found my Vocation"

Admission is by ticket only, £5.00 in advance
(up to 3rd February), on sale in St Mary's,
(Michael Harris or James Finlay) & from the
Danesbury Charity Shop & the Church Office

**You should buy your ticket early; there is a
limit on the number of seats available.**

The next Ladies' Lunch - Saturday 20th February
We are delighted to welcome **Barbara Doherty MBE**
as our guest speaker. Barbara is Vice-President at the
Isabel Hospice. Her talk is entitled '**The Hospice
Movement**'. Barbara will tell us about the many as-
pects of the Isabel Hospice, the history of the hospice
movement, the patient care and the worth of volun-
teers. Please do join us for what will be a very interest-
ing talk, friendly company and superb food. Tickets
(£8) will go on sale on this morning immediately after
the 9.30am service and every Sunday until and includ-
ing Sunday 7th February, and will be available **in
NCH only**. Please note that only cash payments can be
accepted and that reservations cannot be made. If there
are any ladies, who have not previously helped with
clearing up after the lunches, who would be willing to
join our pool of volunteers please let the team know
when you purchase your ticket. We are trying to in-
crease the number of volunteers so that no one will
have to help more than once a year.