

**Christian Aid Week 9 - 15th May 2010:** would all house to house collectors in Welwyn please note that envelopes and relevant documents are available for collection from the central aisle in St Mary's church from Sunday 25th April. There are also a few for those who collect in Oaklands/ Mardley areas (organised by Sue Keach at St Michael's). We would warmly welcome new volunteer collectors in both parishes - please contact Jane Bacon (820782) or Sue Keach (716657); or e-mail Jane.Bacon or Susan.Keach both @welwyn.org.uk

We need adults/ late teens to help with our **Sunday morning children's activities over the summer** - and we're starting to recruit now! If you can commit to one or more Sundays over the summer holidays and would be interested in working with all ages of children on "Project Creation" then please contact Su Blanch (su.blanch@yahoo.com) or Alice Jupp 01438 716622. Whether experienced or not, your involvement will be much appreciated!

**A message from Welwyn St Mary's PTFA:** Welwyn St Mary's PTFA have been selected by Waitrose as one of 3 charities to be put forward for a share of £1,000 for the month of April. We have nominated the Nature Reserve Project for our appeal and we hope that this will attract many shoppers at Waitrose. Our share of this £1,000 fund will be decided by Waitrose customers who vote for one of the 3 selected charities by depositing a green token into our box after completing their shopping at the checkout. So, we need as many votes as possible!! Please can you get all your friends, family and neighbours to vote for Welwyn St Mary's PTFA during the month of April when they shop at Waitrose. All customers have the opportunity to vote - so it will not matter if they are in any way connected to the school.

Next week's readings: Genesis 22: 1-18; Acts 11: 1-18; John 13: 31-35

### Weekday Services

Monday	9.00am 11.15am	Morning Prayer Funeral
Tuesday	5.00pm	Evening Prayer at Tewin
Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Communion
Thursday	5.00pm	Evening Prayer at Datchworth
Friday	10.00am	Holy Communion at St Michael's
Saturday	9.30am 11.00am	Prayers for healing Wedding

✠ For your Prayers ✠

**The Residents of:** The Crescent; Kingsdale House; Lancaster Way

**The Sick:** Muriel Taylor; Yim Lon Chong; Connie Udale; Dawn Tilley; Bryan Tipping; ; Penny Wakefield; Ann Gurney; Brian Evers; John Lyon

**Those who have died recently:** Elizabeth Cooper; Peter Brooks; Rosemary Moore *and please pray also for their families and friends*

**This week please pray for:**

Our Clergy, Coralie, Diane & Stephen

Our readers Colin, Usha, Catherine & Mick

Our new Team Rector, Revd David Munchin, as he prepares to leave his present parish and join us.

The wedding on Saturday - James and Sonya

The new PCC

The Whitechapel Mission

The Italian Market on Friday

## St Mary the Virgin, Welwyn

**Sunday 25th April 2010  
The Fourth Sunday of Easter**

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

We welcome the **40 minutes worship team** who, during the sermon slot, will give us a taste of the worship offered at the '40 Minutes' Family Service held in New Church House on the first Sunday of every month.

Crossbearers and Trailblazers will not be meeting in New Church House this morning and are invited to join in this service

**The Dedication of the New PCC** will take place during this service.

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**

*whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life:*

*raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness*

*that we may seek those things which are above*

*where he reigns with you*

*in the unity of the Holy Spirit,*

*one God, now and for ever. Amen*

**Opening Hymn: 439**

**'Praise to the holiest in the height'**

**First Reading: Psalm 148**

(read by Barbara Pavyer)

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open weekdays 10am-12noon Tel: 01438 840964  
e-mail secretary@welwyn.org.uk  
Parish Web site www.welwyn.org.uk

**Second Reading: Acts 9: 36-43**  
(read by Eunice Reddish)

**Gradual Hymn: 457**

**‘The King of love my shepherd is’**

**Gospel: John 10: 22-30**

**Offertory Hymn: ‘Praise him, praise him’**  
(During this hymn a collection will be taken)

Praise him, praise him,  
praise him in the morning,  
praise him in the noon-time.  
Praise him, praise him,  
praise him when the sun goes down.

Love him, love him,  
love him in the morning,  
love him in the noon-time.  
Love him, love him  
love him when the sun goes down.

Trust him, trust him  
trust him in the morning  
trust him in the noon-time.  
Trust him, trust him,  
trust him when the sun goes down.

Serve him, serve him,  
serve him in the morning,  
serve him in the noon-time.  
Serve him, serve him,  
serve him when the sun goes down.

Jesus, Jesus,  
Jesus in the morning,  
Jesus in the noon-time.  
Jesus, Jesus,  
Jesus when the sun goes down.

During Communion the Choir will sing ‘**All things bright and beautiful**’ - John Rutter.

**Communion Hymn: ‘Let us praise God together’**

1. Let us praise God together, let us praise,  
let us praise God together all our days.  
He is faithful in all his ways,  
he is worthy of all our praise,  
his name be exalted on high.

2. Let us seek God together, let us pray;  
let us seek his forgiveness as we pray.  
He will cleanse us from all our sin,  
he will help us the fight to win,  
his name be exalted on high.

3. Let us serve God together, him obey;  
let our lives show his goodness  
through each day.  
Christ is the world’s true light,  
let us serve him with all our might,  
his name be exalted on high.

**Final Hymn: 413 ‘Now thank we all our God’**

 Notices 

There will be *Evensong* this evening at 6.30pm in St Mary’s, led by Usha Hull.

We are hosting an  
**Italian Market**

**in the Churchyard & New Church House**  
next Friday, 30th April, from 10am-5pm  
There will be a selection of Italian foods  
and goods for sale.

Please do come and support this  
initiative which we hope will benefit our  
traders who are still feeling the effects  
of the Wellington fire

*Next Sunday, 2nd May, is the Fifth Sunday of Easter.*

Diane Whittaker will preside at Holy Communion at 8am. There will be Parish Communion at 9.30am. Diane Whittaker will preside and preach. The ‘40 Minutes’ Service will take place in New Church House at 11.15am. There will be Evensong in St Peter’s, Tewin at 6.30pm led by Mick Simmons..

*The Whitechapel Mission Giving Basket* will be placed in church next Sunday, 2nd May, and on the first Sunday of every month, for donations of clothing and toiletries for the Whitechapel Mission. It will be positioned in front of the right-hand pillar as you enter the church. Please bring any items and drop them in the basket on the way to your pew. Jo Fozzard and Liz Tilson have very kindly offered to handle donations and collections for the Whitechapel Mission. If you have any queries please contact them on either 01438 816001 or on Jo’s mobile 07976 607783.

*The next meeting of the Mothers’ Union* will be on Tuesday 4th May at 2.00pm in St Michael’s Church Vestry. There will be a talk by Patricia Yates entitled ‘To Teheran in a gown from the Koran Shop in Luton’.

*What to do if there is a fire:* If you are involved in running an activity in Church or Church House, would you know what to do if there is a fire? Please come along to a short training session on Saturday 15th May 11:00am to find out. Mike Reddish

*St Michael’s Coffee Morning and Plant Sale* will be held on Saturday 15th May 10am-12 noon. A chance to buy all your bedding, herb and vegetable plants. Enjoy refreshments while listening to live music in the Church. Browse the stalls and enter the ‘British Coast-line’ Quiz. Enquiries: Marie Day 01438 812539.