

*The next Ladies' lunch is taking place on 2nd October - 'From government to royalty: interpreting in high places'.*

We are very pleased to welcome Vickie Harris as our guest speaker. Vickie has been a member of St Mary's church and a valued member of the choir for 21 years. Among many other talents, Vickie is also an amazing linguist - she has had a brilliant career as an interpreter, a translator and a teacher. Her talk promises to be enlightening, revealing and witty. Please come and join us for another enjoyable talk and lunch. Tickets at £8.00 will be sold on Sunday 5th and Sunday 12th September after the 9.30am service from NCH only. As always, we would welcome anyone who has not helped with the Ladies' Lunch before to come forward at the time of purchasing their ticket - their contribution would be greatly appreciated. Please note that this new date is replacing the original date of 18th September.

*The Whitechapel Mission Giving Basket* will be placed in church next Sunday, 5th September, 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 816001 or on Jo's mobile 07976607783.

*The new servers rotas* are now available in the pigeon holes.

*The Diocese of St Albans together with Learning Together: Thinking Christianity Welwyn-Hatfield* is running 5 courses during the Autumn open to any one interested in furthering their faith and developing their ministry through study. There are 5 different modules:

**Christian God: Doctrine** -led by our new Rector to be, David Munchin

**Reading the New Testament with an Optional Workshop**

**Church History**

**Reading the Old Testament**

More information is available from the leaflets on the stands by the bookstall and on the notice board in the Porch.

✠ For your Prayers ✠

**The Residents of:** Saxon Road; Stuart Road; Tudor Road

**The Sick:** Yim Lon Chong; Connie Udale; Dawn Tilley; Bryan Tipping; Penny Wakefield; Ann Gurney; Brian Evers; Sue Edwards; Mike Harris

**Those who have died recently:**

Frank Gower

*and please pray also for his family and friends*

**This week please pray for:**

Our Clergy, Coralie, Diane & Stephen

Our new Team Rector to be, Rev'd David Munchin

The Pram Service

The Stuart Road Service

The Whitechapel Mission

Our Sacristan Eunice, and Servers

The wedding next Saturday -Richard & Emily

Next week's readings: Deuteronomy 30: 15-end;

Philomen 1: 1-21; Luke 14: 25-33

**Weekday Services:** Please see the notice in the Porch

St Mary the Virgin,  
Welwyn

**Sunday 29th August 2010**  
**The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**

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

The Revd Diane Whittaker will preside and  
preach for us this morning.

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,  
who called your Church to bear witness  
that you were in Christ reconciling the  
world to yourself:  
help us to proclaim the good news of your  
love,  
that all who hear it may be drawn to you:  
through him who was lifted up on the cross,  
and reigns with you in the unity of the  
Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.*

*Amen*

**Opening Hymn: 137**

**'Come down, O Love divine'**

**First Reading: Proverbs 25:6-7**

(Read by Vickie Harris)

**Second Reading: Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16**

(Read by Tom Davidson)

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Parish Web site www.welwyn.org.uk

**Gradual Hymn: ‘ Such love’**

1) Such love, pure as the whitest snow;  
such love weeps for the shame I know;  
such love, paying the debt I owe;  
O Jesus, such love.

2) Such love, stilling my restlessness;  
such love, filling my emptiness;  
such love, showing me holiness;  
O Jesus, such love.

3) Such love springs from eternity;  
such love, streaming through history;  
Such love, fountain of life to me;  
O Jesus, such love.

**Gospel: Luke 14: 1,7-14**

**Offertory Hymn: 374**

**‘How sweet the name of Jesus sounds’**  
(During this hymn a collection will be taken)

**Communion Hymn: 74**

**‘O for a heart to praise my God’**

**Final Hymn: 394**

**‘Let all the world in every corner sing’**

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**Summer Sunday Evensongs:** The next in our series of Summer Sunday Evensongs will be held this evening in All Saints, Datchworth at 6.30pm

**29th Aug - Datchworth ‘Into the unknown - a journey of faith’ - Catherine Jupp**

**5th Sept - Tewin ‘From Bethlehem to the Foot of the Cross -Mary’s story’ - Coralie McCluskey**

If you would like to attend one of these services but transport is a problem please speak to one of the church wardens and they will be happy to arrange a lift.

**Welwyn Community Café**  
every Tuesday from 9.30am-12noon  
in St Mary’s New Church House  
This is a joint venture between the Parish Plan Committee and St Mary’s. Come with a friend, or make some new ones over a cup of tea or coffee and a toasted tea cake!  
All welcome, easy access

The next **Pram Service** will be on Wednesday 1st September at 2.00pm in St Mary’s. All pre-school children, their parents and carers welcome at this relaxed informal service.

**Stuart Road Service** Thursday 2nd September 10.30-11am. Service of hymns followed by tea and coffee. Any older people who would like to come but need a lift please phone the office, 840964.

**Next Sunday, 5th September**, is the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity. Diane Whittaker will preside at Holy Communion at 8am. There will be Parish Communion at 9.30am. Diane Whittaker will preside and preach. There will be a ‘40 Minutes Service ‘ at 11.15am in New Church House. The last in our series of Summer Sunday Evensongs will take place at 6.30pm in St Peter’s, Tewin.

**You are warmly welcome to**  
**"40 minutes"**  
**at 11.15am on Sunday 5th September**  
**in St Mary's New Church House**  
**This is a friendly and informal service,**  
**designed to inspire and challenge all, whatever**  
**your age and wherever you are in your faith.**

The next meeting of the **Mothers’ Union** will be on Tuesday 7th September at 2pm in St Michael’s Church Vestry. There will be a talk by Jenny Lane, Faith and Policy Unit Co-Ordinator

**Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust:** The sponsorship forms and sign-in sheets for this years’ Bike and Hike have arrived. Saturday 11th. September is approaching rapidly. So do try to help by getting a bunch of friends together. There is also a list of Churches which will be open that day for your information. If you have any more questions or problems please do not hesitate to phone us. Forms available from Tom and Jenny Davidson 01438 718672.

**Pet Service**  
**Sunday 12th September at 11.15am**  
**St Michael's Churchyard**  
**(in the Church if wet)**

**The next meeting of the Church Women’s Fellowship** is on Tuesday 14th September at 2.30pm. There will be a Church service in St Mary’s led by the Revd Guy Bustard followed by refreshments.

**Spring Clean:** The spring clean for St Mary’s Church will this year be on Saturday 18th September. OK, yes I know it is a bit late for spring, but it would be really good to have a clean Church for David’s Institution. The clean will take place between 9.30am and 12noon. Please help if you can. Mike Reddish.

**A warm invitation** is extended to the congregation of St Mary's to attend the forthcoming Institution of Rev'd Dr David Munchin as Team Rector of the Welwyn Team Ministry. This will take place at 8.00 pm on Monday 27th September and will be conducted by the Bishop of St Albans. Further details are on the pillar as you enter the church and we would be very grateful if you would sign-up by 13th September if you intend to come, to help us with planning for this very important date in our diary. David's first service at St Mary's will be on Sunday 3rd October at 8am Holy Communion followed by our Harvest Festival at 9.30am.