

## PHASE Prayer Guide for July and August

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**Please send notices for inclusion in this weekly sheet by 7pm Wed to [deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk](mailto:deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk) or ring Deirdre on 456184**

St Mark's extends a warm welcome to newcomers.  
If you are new here, please complete and detach this slip and give it to a warden or a sidesperson.

Name .....

Address .....

Tel.No. ....

Email .....

### How to contact us

*While a few telephone numbers of church members may be included in this web version of the notice sheet, most contact details for events are published only in the hard copy, available in church. If you have no access to this, please contact Deirdre Parr on 01462 456184 or e-mail [deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk](mailto:deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk)*



# St Mark's Church



## Hitchin

A member of Churches Together in Hitchin

6<sup>th</sup> July 2014

Third Sunday after Trinity

### Readings for today

Zechariah 9:9-12

Romans 7:15-25

Matthew 11:16-19; 25-30

### Services today

8.00am	Holy Communion (p29 in folder)
10.00am	Holy Communion (p15 in folder)
1.00pm	Baptism Service
6.30pm	Memorial Service preceded by tea from 5.30pm
7.30pm onwards	Sunday Social at The Angels

### For prayer:

We bring before you, Lord, today our Memorial Service of Thanksgiving and pray that you will mercifully look upon us, as we meet together at this time. We especially bring before you, Lord, all those who are mourning the loss of loved ones and ask that, at this time, you will hold them in your loving arms.

### PLEASE TAKE THESE NOTICES HOME WITH YOU

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### Hymns for 10.00am

146 AMNS	When morning gilds the skies
122 AMNS	How sweet the name of Jesus sounds
506 MP	O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
239 MP	Holy, holy, holy is the Lord
262 AMNS	Alleluia, sing to Jesus

### Diary for the week

Wed 9 July	9.15am	Morning Prayer
	7.30pm	Choir pub evening at The Fox, Pirton
Thur 10 July	6.30pm	Group With No Name
	7.45pm	2 Confused
Sat 12 July	9.45am	Exploring Christianity taster session – see notice below

### Next Sunday 13 July – Fourth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion
3.00pm	CTH World War 1 Commemoration Town Service at St Mary's

### Notices

#### Exploring Christianity over Coffee and Croissants: 'taster' session next Saturday 12 July, 9.45-11.00am in the church and hall

A little while ago, we raised the idea of having a Saturday morning group, either fortnightly or monthly, to give people the opportunity to explore the basics of Christianity, either for the first time, or to re-visit them. Next Saturday, we are running a 'taster' to which anyone interested is very welcome. During the first quarter of an hour we will have coffee and croissants and then will settle to some thinking time at 10am. There is a possibility of running a crèche in the hall if that would help people. To help ensure we have enough croissants, please let Jane know if you are thinking of coming (01462 434686 or [jane@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk](mailto:jane@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk)). You are not committing yourself to anything by coming along to this session, so why not give it a go?

### Summer Fair: 19 July in the Market Place

We're now **two** weeks away from our Summer Fair! There are boxes at the back of church for donations for the following stalls: books, toys, good quality bric a brac, jewellery, toiletries, preserves and items for the tombola.

**Staffing the stalls on the day:** we still need more people to help in this way. If you could give up an hour on 19 July, please sign the list on the table with the boxes.

**Cake stall:** Thursday Group will be running the cake stall and would be delighted to have donations of cakes, biscuits or preserves - anything edible in other words. Cakes etc can be brought to church on Friday 18 July at 7.30pm or collection can be arranged if needed. Please contact Val Conetta.

**Flower and Plant stall:** do you have any unneeded, pretty (but not necessarily matching) cups and saucers? The flower team would be pleased to accept them for flower posies for sale at the fair. Please bring them to church by Sunday, 13 July. Other donations for the stall will be gratefully received on Friday 18 July at church at 7.30pm. Thank you in advance for your donations and help.

### Remembering World War 1

Churches Together is arranging two events to mark the Centenary of the beginning of the First World War:

- **A Town Service** in St Mary's, 3.00 pm on Sunday 13 July. At the heart of the service will be recognition and thanksgiving for the 454 Hitchin men who died - all their names will be read out as we honour their memory and dedicate ourselves to promoting the peace for which they longed. The service is open to all.

- **A Day of Reflection** in Christchurch, 9.00 to 6.00 pm on Monday 4 August, the actual day on which the War began. The emphasis will be on quiet thoughtfulness and prayer, with words or music led by members of the different churches in Hitchin on the hour, every hour. All are welcome to drop in at any time during the day and stay as short or as long a time as feels right.

Further details for both from John Richardson - [johnrichardson891@btinternet.com](mailto:johnrichardson891@btinternet.com)