

### 'Thank you' from St Mark's Rainbows

Thank you for all your responses to the request for items to be used for craft activities for the Rainbows for this term. **Val Chamberlain**

### World's Biggest Coffee Morning: Friday 26 September

All over the country on 26 September, people will be holding coffee mornings to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. Do join us on that Friday **in the church hall between 9.30 and 11.30am** for coffee and delicious cake – a painless way of raising funds for this charity which offers such vital support to cancer sufferers and their families.

**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



A member of Churches Together in Hitchin

7<sup>th</sup> September 2014

**Twelfth Sunday after Trinity  
Readings for today**

Ezekiel 33:7-11

Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 18:15-20

### Services today

8.00am	Holy Communion (p29 in folder)
10.00am	Holy Communion (p15 in folder)
1.00pm	Baptism Service
3 - 5pm	Open Vicarage Garden

**For prayer:** *A prayer of St John Chrysostom, whose feast falls on Saturday:*

Let our mouth be filled with thy praise, O Lord, that we may sing of thy glory, because thou hast counted us worthy to partake of thy holy, divine, immortal and life-giving mysteries: preserve us in thy holiness, that we may learn of thy righteousness all the day long. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

### PLEASE TAKE THESE NOTICES HOME WITH YOU

If you would like to receive this notice sheet via email in future, please email [deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk](mailto:deirdre.parr@stmarks-hitchin.org.uk)

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### Hymns for 10.00am

102 AMNS	My God, how wonderful thou art
149 AMNS	Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim
263 AMNS	Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour
414 MP	Let us break bread together
459 AMNS	Give me joy in my heart

### Diary for the week

Tues 9 Sept	7.15pm	Pastoral and Bereavement Groups meet
Wed 10 Sept	9.15am	Morning Prayer
	7.00pm	Choir practice
	8.15pm	District Church Council meets
Sat 13 Sept	10.00am -6.00pm	Church open for Historic Churches Bike and Hike

### Next Sunday, 14 September – Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am	Holy Communion
10.00am	Holy Communion
4 - 5.30pm	Newcomers' Tea

### Notices

#### Open Vicarage Garden this afternoon from 3.00 to 5.00pm

We would like to invite everyone to join us in the Vicarage garden today for an afternoon of music and friendship. This year, we have a Dixieland Band lined up for your entertainment and, as usual, the trampoline, swings, slide, swing ball etc will be at the disposal of all those young at heart. Refreshments will be sold in aid of church funds. Everyone is very welcome and if you're able to bring a chair or rug to sit on, that would be great, but there will be some chairs and rugs available. We look forward to seeing you this afternoon.

*Jane and James*

### Volunteer needed!

The new Daytime Fellowship group is looking for a volunteer to help run a crèche. We are planning to meet twice a month in the morning. If you would be willing to help look after some little people so their parents can enjoy some time going deeper with their faith, please do let me know!

[jennifercmcquaid@gmail.com](mailto:jennifercmcquaid@gmail.com)

*Jeni*

### Historic Churches Annual 'Bike and Hike': Saturday 13 September

This is an annual event to help raise funds for both the charity and our own church. Bike/run/walk/go by car! A pleasant way to see the churches in Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire. All welcome and it's not too late to sign up! Sponsor Forms and further details from Mike Davies.

### Newcomers' Tea on 14 September, 4.00-5.30pm in the Church Hall

We will again be holding a 'Newcomers' Tea' to give people who feel they're new into our church family a chance to chat with the clergy and Readers, as well as with other members of the church congregation so that we can get to know each other that little bit better. It doesn't matter how long you've been coming to St Mark's: if you feel this would help you get to know people a little better, do come along next Sunday afternoon.

### Name Badge Sundays: 14 and 21 September

After very positive feedback from our first 'Name Badge Sunday' a while ago, we are going to repeat the experience but this time, in response to the feedback, we are having two consecutive 'Name Badge Sundays'. So, on 14 and 21 September, you're invited to join in with the fun and wear a name badge. You can either bring your own or, alternatively, sticky labels will be available at church. The idea of these Sundays is that you get a chance to discover the name of the person you've been talking to all these years and you're now too embarrassed to ask, so why not join in the fun?!

### **Churches Together in Hitchin**

The next Churches Together in Hitchin (CTH) Council is on Tuesday, 16 September at 8.00pm in Holy Saviour Church Hall, Radcliffe Road. There will be some items of business and reports; the second part of the meeting, from about 8.30pm, will be a session on working with and ministry among the deaf, led by Jane Litchmore-Grant, the Chair of CTH. Jane has considerable experience of this work both in Jamaica and now here in England and she is keen to help us all be more understanding and positive about it. Everyone is welcome for the whole meeting or just for the second part. Further details from John Richardson on 01462 435595.

### **AGM of PHASE, the Hitchin Churches Schools Worker Trust**

Everyone is welcome at the Annual General Meeting of PHASE on Tuesday 16 September, at 7.30pm in Holy Saviour Church Hall. (This will precede the CTH meeting at 8.00pm – see notice above.) This is an opportunity for us all to hear about PHASE's past work and future plans. Further information from PHASE on 01462 422940.

### **Deanery Evening Pilgrimage to St Albans Abbey:**

#### **Wednesday, 8 October 7.00-9.00pm**

The evening starts with a sandwich/cake buffet in the Refectory, from 7pm. At about 7.45pm you are divided into groups and go on a prayer trail around the Cathedral. The emphasis is on martyrdom and pilgrimage, but there is some of the history of the building as well. The Cathedral is in low light, which adds to the atmosphere. The trail ends in the Quire at about 9pm where you have Compline by candlelight. You then process through into the Shrine of St Alban, where you can leave your candle. Then out into the night... Cost including buffet supper: £6 per person. Enquiries to: James Robertson - 01462 712230 or [revjr@btinternet.com](mailto:revjr@btinternet.com).

### **Mothers' Union Deanery Service: Thursday, 25 Sept at 7.30pm**

All are welcome at this service which will be held at St Thomas's Church, Wilbury and led by Jane Mainwaring. Some transport available on request. Contact Diane Porter for further information.

### **Homemade Cake Stall in aid of Hitchin Bible Society**

Hitchin Bible Society Action Group is selling cakes, biscuits and preserves **between 10am and 12 noon on Saturday 13 September at Christchurch, Bedford Road** in aid of Solar Powered 'Proclaimers'. Please support if you can. Donations are also very welcome.

### **Hitchin Shopmobility needs your vote, please!**

We have been shortlisted for the final stage in Lloyds Bank Community Fund in our area, where we could receive a grant of up to £3000. This would be a huge help in buying a much needed replacement scooter. Please vote for us from Sept 2 to Oct 10. Either text: VOTE JYX to 61119, visit Lloyds Community Fund website, Facebook or Twitter , #COMMFUND JYX, or if you bank with Lloyds, call into our local branch and receive a token for each transaction to put in our section of the unit by the door. Many thanks!

***Ann Norman (Chair of Hitchin Shopmobility)***