



22 September 2024

## Michael & All Angels

### Welcome to our services today

10.30am Joint Benefice Eucharist at St Mary's

4pm Festival of Harvest Praise at St John's

**Music: Organist St. Mary's:** Alan Cafaude, **Hymns: 475, 336, 342, 436.**

**Anthem:** Ave Verum, Elgar.

**The Benefice Online Services; 'Meeting Point' and 'Celtic Midweek Liturgy'** are for you if you missed our services in church, or for further reflection during the week. <https://www.stmaryhighamferrers.org/online-worship>

#### Next Week

Mon 30 6pm Evening Prayer at St John's

Tues 1 Oct 2pm *Funeral of Susan Wiles at St Mary's*

7.30pm Bellringing Practice St Mary's

Wed 2 10am Morning Prayer at St Mary's

Thurs 3 10am Said Eucharist with Coffee & Chat to 12noon at St Mary's

2pm *Mothers Union meeting at Ruth's house*

7pm Celtic Liturgy in the Chantry Chapel

Fri 4 5.30pm First Friday Club in the Bede House

#### Sunday 6 October 2024 Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

9am Parish Eucharist at St John's

10.30am All age Harvest Festival at St Mary's

#### Collect Prayer.

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order:

grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven,

so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth;

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.**

## **Revelation 12:7-12**

And war broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,  
‘Now have come the salvation and the power  
and the kingdom of our God  
and the authority of his Messiah,  
for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down,  
who accuses them day and night before our God.  
But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb  
and by the word of their testimony,  
for they did not cling to life even in the face of death.  
Rejoice then, you heavens  
and those who dwell in them!  
But woe to the earth and the sea,  
for the devil has come down to you  
with great wrath,  
because he knows that his time is short!’

## **John 1:47-end**

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, ‘Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!’ Nathanael asked him, ‘Where did you come to know me?’ Jesus answered, ‘I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.’ Nathanael replied, ‘Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!’ Jesus answered, ‘Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.’ And he said to him, ‘Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.’

## **Post Communion Prayer.**

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near  
to an innumerable company of angels  
and to the spirits of the saints made perfect:  
as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship,  
so may we come to share their joy in heaven;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Children are welcome at all our Services in both churches**, we have children's areas with colouring and toys, and are looking at ways to better include them in all we do. We understand that some of our services can seem long to little ones, and it is absolutely fine if they need to wriggle or play or move around.

### For your Prayers.

**Our prayers have been asked for:** Karen Addis, Brian Bond, Nola Brockhouse, Simon Brown, Ian Challen, Marian Cox, Lynda & Peter Etheridge, Christine Franklin, Andrew Fulcher, Colin Gilkes, Sandra Hill, Margaret Janowski, Sarah Knight, Marion Knott, Sally Mayes, Lorcan McLaren (age 11), Freda Pack, Ken & Val Robinson, Fr. Nichols Spencer, Elizabeth Swindley, Stewart Wiles, Clare Yorke. **St John's:** Jo Barrie, Pauline Brown, Lesley Littlejohn, Dr Northover, Brenda May, Lynn Redgagte, Arthur & Anita Wright.

**In memorium:** John Goodman, Susan Wiles (*funeral 1 October, 2pm, St Mary's*)

### Year's mind anniversaries:

Mark Payne, Jessica Dowdeswell, Ernest Neal, Albert Dunmore, Lucy Brittin, Tony Lovell, Alexander French, Bernard Groome, Jack Pentelow, Peter White, Barbara Hignell, Peter Hogarth, Harold Hoar (Priest), Alfred Smith, Doris Lowe, Cyril Clarke, Florence Walker, Roger Clay, Kathleen Harrison, Charles Harrison, Fred Twelvetree, Frederick Hart, Maud Lawrence, Alexander French, Beatrice Morris, Michael Foulger, Terry Broughton, Elsie Allen, Robert Lines.

## NOTICES

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### BENEFICE

#### Confirmation.

We have a small list of people who wish to explore this, and it's not too late to be added to it! Please do speak to Mthr Louise if you would like to know more.

### ST. MARY'S



**WE ARE RECRUITING.** We are looking for volunteers to help with serving the coffee following Sunday Morning Services. If you are interested in helping, or would like to know more, please speak to either Ruth or Pam – we would love to welcome you on board.

**Mothers' Union.** Our next meeting is Thursday 3 October at 2pm meeting at Ruth's home for our Wave of Prayer service. Visitors are very welcome to join us but it would be helpful to confirm in advance with Ruth for catering purposes.

**All Age Harvest Festival, followed by a Harvest Lunch – 6th October, Harvest Lunch tickets now on sale, please see Karen Holmes.**

**Wedding Linen –** the tablecloths kept in Bede House are currently missing. If you have moved them or have them at home after washing them, can you please return them, and let it be discreetly known they are back. Thanks.

## **ST JOHN'S**

Tea & cakes, 2-4pm 15 Oct

Soup, tea & cakes, 1-3pm 19 Nov

Knit and Natter, 1-3pm 24 Sep, 22 Oct, 26 Nov

**A special visitor at St John's, 24 October – watch this space!**

**Harvest Supper and Auction –** Sorry but this is now sold out, but please do come to the service of Harvest Praise at 4pm.

### **For all enquiries and requests for pastoral help:**

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The Benefice administration office is usually open Tuesday and Thursdays 9.30am to 2.30pm. Please use email if possible, and a reply will be sent as soon as possible.

***Mthr Louise is off duty Friday 27 September***