

*The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Parish of Welwyn,  
Welwyn Team, Diocese of St Albans*

**TRINITY SUNDAY  
30<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021**

**8am Said Eucharist**

**9.30am Parish Eucharist  
(Common Worship Order 1)**

**Welcome to church – it's great you are here.  
We think of those still shielding.**

**Please remember to maintain social distance with those  
outside your household, and sanitise your hands on entry.  
The wearing of face masks is now mandatory in places of  
worship unless you are exempt.**

There will be some other differences in the service, which you  
will see by following this sheet.

***If you are new to this church please introduce yourself to  
one of the clergy. There is an induction loop for those with  
hearing aids.***

***Please note this service is being livestreamed on  
St Mary's Church Welwyn YouTube***

## **THE SERVICE BEGINS HERE:**

*We have to ask you not to sing! However the choir are able to lead our singing. Please remain seated.*

I bind unto myself today  
the strong name of the Trinity,  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in One and One in Three.

I bind unto myself today  
the power of God to hold and lead,  
his eye to watch, his might to stay,  
his ear to hearken to my need;  
the wisdom of my God to teach,  
his hand to guide, his shield to ward,  
the word of God to give me speech,  
his heavenly host to be my guard.

Christ be with me, Christ within me,  
Christ behind me, Christ before me,  
Christ beside me, Christ to win me,  
Christ to comfort and restore me;  
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,  
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,  
Christ in hearts of all that love me,  
Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

I bind unto myself the name,  
the strong name of the Trinity,  
by invocation of the same,  
the Three in one and One in Three,  
of whom all nature hath creation,  
eternal Father, Spirit, word.  
Praise to the Lord of my salvation:  
salvation is of Christ the Lord.

*Please stand*

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**and also with you.**

*The minister introduces the confession*

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly,  
love mercy, and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

*The priest pronounces God's forgiveness*

*We remain standing to say:*

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*We remain standing for the collect:*

Let us pray:

Almighty and everlasting God,  
you have given us your servants grace,  
by the confession of a true faith,  
to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity  
and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity:  
keep us steadfast in this faith,  
that we may evermore be defended from all adversities;  
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**

*We sit to listen to this Sunday's bible readings.*

A reading from the Book of Isaiah (6:1-8)  
(read by Jenny Wiseman)



<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said:

'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.'

<sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!'

<sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**



A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans (8:12-27)

<sup>12</sup>Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— <sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand and face the gospel:*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (3:1-17) **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. <sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal



life. <sup>16</sup>For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit for the Sermon:*

**The Rev'd Susannah Underwood, Team Vicar**

*Please stand to affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:*

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again  
in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is  
worshipped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

*Please sit or kneel for the intercessions*

**Sick:** Ruby Wiseman, Ann Gurney, John Lavelle, Vickie Harris, Alice Burnapp, Joan Gould, John Allday, Beth Bates, Pauline Lebeau, Joan Webb, Graeme Emery

**Departed:** Robert Hill, Poppy Richards, Daphne Smart, Bryan Parkes

*We use the following response*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

*And at the end*

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*Please stand for The Peace, which the priest introduces with a sentence from Scripture*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*Do feel free to say 'Peace be with you' to your neighbours, but please refrain from sharing it physically.*

**The choir sings** (*music by R Dering*):

Duo seraphim by Richard Dering

Duo seraphim clamabant alter ad alterum:  
Sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth.  
Plena est omnis terra Gloria eius.

*Two seraphim cried to one another:  
Holy is the Lord God of Sabaoth,  
The whole earth is full of his glory.*

*The collection plate is not being passed round during the offertory hymn at the moment. Please support the work of your parish church by leaving your donation on the plate as you leave at the end of the service, or by donating online on the church's website [www.welwyn.org.uk](http://www.welwyn.org.uk). Thank you.*

*The priest gives thanks over the bread and over the wine*

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal,  
give us the bread of everlasting life,  
and make us branches of the true vine. **Amen**

### **The Eucharistic Prayer**

*Please remain standing throughout the prayer, but sit if you need to*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lift up your hearts  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.  
For with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit  
you are one God, one Lord.  
All that you reveal of your glory,  
the same we believe of the Son  
and of the Holy Spirit, without any difference or inequality.  
We, your holy Church, acclaim you,  
Father of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.  
Three Persons we adore,  
one in being and equal in majesty.  
And so with angels and archangels,  
with cherubim and seraphim,  
we sing for ever of your glory:

### ***The choir sings:***

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**



We praise and bless you, loving Father,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;  
and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit,  
that broken bread and wine outpoured  
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.  
On the night before he died he had supper with his friends  
and, taking bread, he praised you.  
He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:  
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;  
do this in remembrance of me.  
When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.  
Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:  
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.  
So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice  
made once for all upon the cross.  
Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,  
we proclaim his death and resurrection  
until he comes in glory.

Great is the mystery of faith

**Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again**

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes  
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.  
Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms  
and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints  
to feast at your table in heaven.  
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Please kneel or sit*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.  
**Though we are many, we are one body,  
because we all share in one bread.**

***The Choir sings:***

**Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world;  
have mercy on us (x2)  
Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world;  
grant us peace**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.  
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,  
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**



*Please come forward to receive communion at the Nave Altar.  
Communion will be given in one kind only (the bread), and  
received standing. Please form a socially distanced queue,  
returning to your place via the side aisles. If you have your own  
hand sanitizer this would be good time to use it (please do not  
borrow from neighbour). Baptised Christians are welcome to receive  
the bread, all others are welcome to come for a blessing (please  
indicate this by crossing your arms and bowing your head).*

***Music during communion:  
Anthem: 'Hymn to the Trinity' by Tchaikovsky***

## **Prayer of Spiritual Communion for those at home**

My Jesus, I believe that You  
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were  
already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be  
separated from You. Amen.

*We pray together:*

**Almighty and eternal God,  
you have revealed yourself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
and live and reign in the perfect unity of love:  
hold us firm in this faith,  
that we may know you in all your ways  
and evermore rejoice in your eternal glory,  
who are three Persons yet one God,  
now and for ever. Amen**

*The priest gives the notices and reads the banns of marriage.*

*We sit and listen (and hum along, or sing along at home)  
to the **hymn sung by the choir:***

Angel voices ever singing  
round thy throne of light,  
angel-harps for ever ringing,  
rest not day nor night;  
thousands only live to bless thee  
and confess thee Lord of might.

Thou who art beyond the farthest  
mortal eye can scan,  
can it be that thou regardest  
songs of sinful man?  
Can we know that thou art near us,  
and wilt hear us? Yea, we can.

For we know that thou rejoicest  
o'er each work of thine;  
thou didst ears and hands and voices  
for thy praise design;  
craftman's art and music's measure  
for thy pleasure all combine.

In thy house, great God, we offer  
of thine own to thee;  
and for thine acceptance proffer  
all unworthily  
hearts and minds and hands and voices  
in our choicest psalmody.

Honour, glory, might and merit  
thine shall ever be,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
blessed Trinity.  
Of the best which thou hast given  
earth and heaven render thee.

*The priest says the blessing ending:*

...be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

You are worthy, our Lord and God,  
**to receive glory and honour and power.**

For you have created all things,  
**and by your will they have their being.**

You are worthy, O Lamb, for you were slain,  
**and by your blood you ransomed us for God.**

From every tribe and language and nation,  
**you have made us to be a kingdom and priests  
serving our God.**

To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb  
**be blessing and honour and glory and might  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The ministers and people depart.*

***The organist plays a voluntary***

**Andante maestoso (Founded on an old Irish church melody)**

**by C V Stanford**

***Please take this booklet with you***

*(this is more directive than usual we don't want booklets hanging around that others will have to clear up).*

***All are welcome to coffee in Church House. Please sanitize hands on entry, respect social distance and wear masks when not seated at a table.***

***The Church Office hours are:***

***Mon, Tues – 9-1pm & Fridays – 9-12noon***

*Clergy surgery (particularly for bookings of marriages and baptisms)  
is open on Saturday 10-11am.*

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*Facebook page: St Marys Church Welwyn*

## **Refreshments**

Refreshments will continue to be served after the service today and each Sunday. Please remember to stay well apart and sit in the seats carefully arranged around the tables. If you are able to help serve refreshments, please speak to Vernonne Allan who kindly arranges the rotas, or to me. The usual frequency is one Sunday every two months' but it may need to be slightly more often. Stuart Westley

**A note of thanks** – I would just like to say thank you for all the wonderful support & love I have received from our friends at St Mary's at what has been a most difficult time. I've had numerous cards and messages & am very grateful. Also thank you to those that were able to attend his funeral and to David for joining Jenny at St Francis and making it a most wonderful service. Rob would have loved it.  
Carole Moore-Hill

**Bryan Parkes** – We are indebted to him for designing and producing the three different versions of the nativity scene which have alternately adorned the glass porch doors at the church for over 10 years or so. Bryan also produced a wonderful depiction for the 100<sup>th</sup> centenary of World War 1 in 2018. They were all hand painted on his conservatory floor. We send our condolences to Anne and the family. RIP Bryan.

**A note of thanks** - Alice and I would like to say thank you to everyone for praying for us over the last 12 months. Alice will remain on the prayer list, she has been making slow but steady progress since her discharge from the Lister hospital at the end of February and is gradually getting better. I have taken myself off the prayer list as I am now well and will soon have the feeling back in my hand after the operation in July last year. Thank you all once again, your prayers have been so important to us. John Burnapp.

**We are very thankful to Jane Carr** for the twice weekly bulletins she has provided over the last year, as well as keeping the website up to date. Jane would now like to hand this work over to other(s). A fair degree of computer literacy is needed, though there is help at hand. If anyone would be interested in keeping up this important work, please contact the Rector. There is also a need to think about communications more generally as this now involves not just website and emails, but also social media etc. If you are interested in helping with any of these, also do please get in touch with the Rector. Social media is such that even if you don't use it much, it is fairly simple, and it would also suit someone who, in a small team, would like to 'learn on the job.'

**June Organ recital will be 12<sup>th</sup> June at 11.15am**

Physical audiences are allowed do come along and enjoy.  
This will also be live streamed.

**Activities re-starting back in Church House**

Monday Patchwork Club & Walking Group - Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June

**Feedback from Lent Groups**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 10.30am in Church House**

Feedback from the Lent Groups suggested that many were struck by its contents and wanted to in some way, follow up the issues involved. In order to find out how we might best do that, we are very pleased that Su Blanch has agreed to facilitate an open-to-all meeting that morning. The meeting will last from 10.30-12, do come along.

## Diary of Weekly Events



<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b>
Monday	<b>Bank Holiday - Office shut</b> 5.00pm 9.00pm	Evening Prayer at Tewin <i>Compline on line</i>
Tuesday	8.30am <b>10.00am</b>	Morning Prayer at Codicote <b>Community Café</b>
Wednesday	9.00am 9.30am 10.30am <b>2pm</b>	Morning Prayer at Welwyn Eucharist at Welwyn <i>Bible Study via zoom</i> <b>Play and Praise</b>
Thursday	5pm 9pm	Evening Prayer at Datchworth <i>Compline on line</i>
Friday	9.30am 6.15pm 7.45pm	Morning Prayer at WG Welwyn Tune Choir
Saturday	9.00am 10.00am	Parish Prayers at Welwyn Clergy Surgery

### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

8.00am	Eucharist
9.30am	Parish Eucharist
6.30pm	Sacred Space at Datchworth

### **Next Week's Readings:**

Genesis 3: 8-15  
2 Corinthians 4: 13 – 5:1  
Mark 3: 20-end