



ST SAVIOUR'S CHURCH

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12 JULY 2026

6th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Welcome to St Saviour's

We welcome the **Ewan King Jazz Quintet** this morning at 10.30am for the Beer & Fizz Festival Service.

Sundays at Ten has finished for the summer. It will be back in September.

\broken is cancelled this month.

The Monday afternoon **Bible Study** group meets at 2pm tomorrow in the vicarage. All welcome.

Compassionate Café on Tuesday from 2–3.30pm in the church hall is a welcoming space for anyone affected by any type of loss who would like to drop in, have a cuppa and a chat. For more information, please see Libby.

The **Fairtrade Stall** will be available next Sunday at the back of the church.

WEEK AHEAD

Monday 2.00pm Bible Study in the Vicarage

Tuesday **John Keble, Priest, Tractarian, Poet, 1866**

10.00am Low Mass with Lectio Divina

2.00pm Compassionate Café (See above)

Wednesday **Swithun, Bishop of Winchester, c.862**

Thursday 7.00pm Mass for the Mission of the Church followed by prayer before the Sacrament & Benediction

Friday 9.30am Tots Time

Evening Prayer is said at 5.30pm Monday to Thursday & 4.30pm Friday in the Lady Chapel

NEXT SUNDAY

7th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Low Mass

10.00am All Age Parish Mass

11.15am Fairtrade Stall

Readings Romans 8.12-25; Matthew 13.24-30,36-43

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COLLECT

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our
understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above
all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING *Romans 8.1-11*

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law – indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

THE GOSPEL *Matthew 13.1-9,18-23*

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears

fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON Father Tony

THE CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of our pilgrimage,
you have led us to the living water:
refresh and sustain us
as we go forward on our journey,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

NOTICES

Please pray for

Those who are sick and in need Leverage Johnson, David Atkinson, Hilary Miller, Nicky Brown, Joan Hammerton, Che, David, Sally, Fred Ward, Michael Downing, Christy Carroll, Annie Manning, Louis Poulastides, Hilary Rodger, Sian Newton.

The recently departed John Winter, Rex Winn, Cate Irvine, Doug Reavley, Anne Abok.

Those whose Year's Mind falls this week

Sunday Ann Clark, Audrey Francis; **Monday** Alice Brown, Dorothy Foulger, Eric Parker, Judith Crossley; **Tuesday** Arthur Beatty, Kate Day, Leslie Smith, Ellen Thompson; **Wednesday** Marjorie Briggs, Sybil Court, Margery Murray, Edward Osborn, Richard Skinner, Edith Westall, Walter Wreford, Clive Dumbleton; **Thursday** William Thorpe; **Saturday** Michael Dowsett, William Hicks, Rhoda Higginton, William Marshall, Jeremiah Mills.

John Winter RIP John's funeral will be at St Saviour's on Wednesday 22 July at 11am and refreshments will be served at St Paul's church in Blandford Road from 2pm. The committal will take place at West Herts Crematorium and will be private. We would love to have the support of our St Saviour's family at the funeral service and refreshments. It would be helpful for printing and catering purposes if you could let Gloria know if you're planning to attend. Thank-you for all the cards, flowers, food, and offers of help that have arrived in great abundance!

Gloria, Ben, Michael, Nick and Tim

Mthr Emily would like to say a big thank you for making her first mass such a special occasion. Thank you to everyone who brought food, served at the bar and for all your support. Thank you, also, for the

inspired Harry Potter Studio gift! The whole family are very excited to visit over the summer.

Eco Corner (1) A Community Garden is planned for the hall garden in the autumn. Help is needed create it, provide plants, and do planting and watering etc. It's a community project so tell your neighbours, they can help too. To find out more, speak to Elaine or Ellie.

Eco Corner (2) There are two recycling boxes in the porch. If you have any printer ink cartridges that could be recycled please pop them in the small box on the table. The larger pink box next to the table is for foreign notes and coins, old stamps, jewellery and any electronics that are no longer useful to you. St Saviours will be paid for anything we collect and it is a good way to declutter sustainably. Please speak to one of the Eco team if you need any more information.

Big Butterfly Count The 2026 count is happening between Friday 17 July and Sunday 9 August. To find out more about this citizen science survey, see the church eco notice board or visit bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org.

Open Garden Bishop of St Albans's hidden two acre city centre oasis. Sundays 12, 19 July, 2–4pm. Abbey Gate House, Abbey Mill Lane, AL3 4HD. Entrance £5 per adult. Dogs on leads, no toilet facilities. Proceeds in aid of the Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust.

Walsingham There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church for anyone who would like to go on the day trip to Walsingham on Saturday 18 July. For more details see Fr Andrew or Diane.