



ST SAVIOUR'S CHURCH

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16 AUGUST 2026
11th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Welcome to St Saviour's

This morning's 10am Parish Mass is at the High Altar, with the congregation seated in the chancel.

The Monday evening **Bible Study** group meets at 8pm tomorrow in the vicarage to look at the gospel reading for the coming Sunday. All welcome.

WEEK AHEAD

Monday	8.00pm	Bible Study in the Vicarage
Tuesday	10.00am	Low Mass with Lectio Divina
Thursday	Bernard, Abbot of Clairvaux, Teacher of the Faith, 1153	
	7.00pm	Mass for the Mission of the Church followed by prayer before the Sacrament & Benediction

Evening Prayer is said at 5.30pm Monday to Thursday in the Lady Chapel (& 4.30pm Friday from 28 August)

NEXT SUNDAY 12th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am	Low Mass
10.00am	Parish Mass

Readings Romans 12.1-8; Matthew 16.13-20

Please Donate St Saviour's relies on your donations. You can make a card payment by the door, or use the QR code on the right. Alternatively, please use the 'Donate' page on the website. Thank you



Mass Setting Mass of St Thomas David Thorne b.1950 (See service booklet)

Organ Prelude Voluntary, Bk.2, No.5 in D minor/major John Stanley 1713–1786

HYMN 238 For Mary, Mother of our Lord

COLLECT

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,
that we, running the way of your commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;
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.

All **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

READING Romans 11.1-2a,29-32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 391 Blest are the pure in heart

THE GOSPEL *Matthew 15.21-28*

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.** (Sung)

Jesus went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. A Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.** (Sung)

SERMON Father Richard

THE CREED

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

HYMN 241 Sing we of the blessed Mother

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

THE COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have celebrated
that one true sacrifice which takes away
our sins and brings pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the
gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

HYMN 530 Now thank we all our God

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

Organ Voluntary Voluntary, Bk.2, No.4 in F
John Stanley

Please join us for tea or coffee after the
service at the back of the church

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, Hilary Rodger, Sian Newton, Alice W.

The recently departed Louis Poulastides, Francesca Esposto, John Ridgwell.

Those whose Year's Mind falls this week

Sunday Samuel Lawrence, Pamela Prideaux; **Monday** John Armitage, David Laphorn; **Tuesday** David Hawkes, Pauline Osborn; **Wednesday** William Campbell, Arthur Robinson, Beryl Wilkinson; **Thursday** Maria Phillips, Lucy Sharp, Kerry Knight; **Friday** Constance Carter, Richard Davis; **Saturday** Ella Bevan, Catherine Clegg, Henry Fenwick, Ernest Harvey, Rose Nethersole, Ethel Williams.

Change of Bank Details To help us achieve our Silver Eco award and to avoid bank charges, the PCC have changed their bank account to a Co-operative Bank account with immediate effect. The new account details are:

Name PCC of St Saviours St Albans

Sort-Code 08-92-99

Account No. 67535709

Please amend any standing orders you have. For help, please ask the vicar or churchwardens.

Help Needed We need more volunteers to serve tea and coffee after the Parish Mass on Sundays. I would be very grateful if you could spare one Sunday every other month to promote our community spirit. Please contact Ann Ferrar if you are willing to help.

Hightown Housing Association need bottled water, snacks and men's t-shirts and joggers. Donations can be left in the box in the porch. Thank you.

Songs from Godspell Members of St Albans Musical Theatre Company are performing songs from last year's sell-out production of Godspell here at St Saviour's on Thursday 10 September at 8pm. Tickets are £15 and can be booked through the parish website at stsavioursstalbands.com/specialevents.

Jazz & Prosecco Booking is now open for an evening of classic traditional Jazz with the Redbourn Jazz Band on Sunday 20 September, 6–8pm. Prosecco, beer, cider and wines are also available (with alcohol-free options). Tickets are just £7.50 and can be booked through the parish website at stsavioursstalbands.com/specialevents. Alternatively you can sign up on the sheet at the back and pay on the door.

NB When booking for events through the parish website there is no longer a booking fee added, so please use the online ticket option whenever possible. Thanks!

Eco Corner In association with St Paul's Church, we are screening The People's Emergency Briefing on Tuesday 22 September at 8pm. The film documents the National Emergency Briefing held in London last November, and is now being shown across the UK and beyond as communities come together to discuss climate resilience in the face of escalating climate impacts like the recent extreme heat. This is a FREE event for the congregation and local community arranged by our Eco Team so please do save the date and come along. Doors and licensed bar from 7.30pm.

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