Notices:

- Every service is a "Family Service". Children of all ages are welcome and will have something to help us out with if they want to. Carrying the cross, the offering plate round, even giving us lovely sounds of baby chatter (it's not crying to us). There is a children's corner too.
- Baptism does not have to wait, kindly contact us to fix a date.

In Our Community: News & Events

Save the date - 29 March St Andrew's

The Reverend Doctor Cally Hammond, Dean and Fellow of Gonville and Caius in Cambridge will give us a Lent talk, starting at Noon in church to be followed by a Lent lunch. More details to follow.

Lent Course

St Andrew's and Holy Cross will re run (on Zoom) Michael McAdam's Lent course each morning in Lent, starting on 5 March (Ash Wednesday) and finishing on 17 April (Maundy Thursday). More details on 'NOTICES' page of the website.

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Sunday 19 January 2025 Epiphany 2 @ St Cecelia's Little Hadham The Benefice of Albury, Little Hadham & Much Hadham We Are Living God's Love

Our Church is for more than "hatched, matched, dispatched & jingle bells". It is our history, handed over to us by our grandparents for our grandchildren. Keep it alive. Attend & support your church.

Bank details:

Little Hadham Parochial Church Council

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Revd Tayo Wale-Falope will be leading us in worship today. Please stay for refreshments & catching up after the service.

Looking Ahead: January into February

Thursday 23 January 2025 10:00 am

Benefice Holy Communion @ St Mary's Albury

Sunday 26 January 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion

@ St Mary's Albury

Sunday 2 February 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion

@ St Andrew's Much Hadham

Sunday 9 February 2025 9:15 am

Benefice Holy Communion @ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

Afternoon tea on the first Sunday every month, 3 - 5 pm at Albury Village Hall.

Much Hadham Baby and Toddler Group meets on Tuesdays in term time 9.30-11.30 in Much Hadham Village Hall.

Please Keep In Our Prayers:



Stuart Saggers Peter Radley Joanne Luxford Margaret Radley David Stroud Tamsin Farrell

And the bereaved families of:

Roger Day

Please bring to our notices, those who we need to keep in our prayers.

Our Hymns for this service are:

Opening: CP433 Give Me Joy In My Heart.Gradual: CP 449 God of Mercy, God of Grace.Offertory: CP585 The Church's One Foundation.Closing: CP503 Lord Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing

We Pray The Collect Together:

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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.

We Listen To God's Word

Psalm 36.5-10

- ⁵ Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens and your faithfulness to the clouds.
- ⁶ Your righteousness stands like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; you, Lord, shall save both man and beast.
- ⁷ How precious is your loving mercy, O God! All mortal flesh shall take refuge under the shadow of your wings.
- 8 They shall be satisfied with the abundance of your house; they shall drink from the river of your delights.
- ⁹ For with you is the well of life and in your light shall we see light.
- ¹⁰ O continue your loving-kindness to those who know you and your righteousness to those who are true of heart.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.

1 Corinthians 12.1–11

¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says Let Jesus be cursed! and no one can say Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ To one is given through the

Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading John 2.1–11

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

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, they have no wine. 4 And Jesus said to her, Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come. 5 His mother said to the servants, do whatever he tells you. 6 Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to them, Fill the jars with water. And they filled them up to the brim. 8 He said to them, now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward. So, they took it. 9 When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom 10 and said to him, Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now. 11 Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Post Communion Prayer:

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.