

## In Our Community: News & Events

### **In loving memory**

If you have someone you would like remembered on the pew sheet during September, please email details to the office: [muchhadhamrectory@gmail.com](mailto:muchhadhamrectory@gmail.com)

### **Much Hadham Harvest Lunch**

The lunch will be at 12.30 for 1 pm on Sunday 5 October in Much Hadham Village Hall. Please sign up on the sheet by the south door of the church by 5pm 28 September and pay in cash to either Jenny Howard, Suzanne Kennard or Margaret Brent. Tickets: Adults and older children - £10 | Primary school children £5 | Pre-school children- free.

### **St Andrew's Harvest Festival reminders**

The Church will be open for contributions (non-perishable goods please) on Saturday 27 September between 10 am and midday. If you would like to help decorate the church for Harvest, flower arrangements for the window ledges, in your own containers, would be gratefully received.

### **St Cecilia's and St Mary's Harvest services**

We are collecting food for the Food Bank in Bishop's Stortford. Please bring your contributions to the Sunday service on the 12 and 19 October respectively.

*Remember you can keep up to date with upcoming events on the River Ash Churches website and Facebook page.*

### **Benefice Contact Details**

#### **St Mary's Albury. Post Code: SG11 2HR**

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#### **St Andrew's Much Hadham. Post Code: SG10 6DH**

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### **Our Priest-in-Charge:**

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**Sunday 14 September 2025**

**Trinity 13 (Proper 19)**

**@ St Andrew's Much 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:*

*Much Hadham Parochial Church Council  
(Registered Charity no. 1152748)  
Sort code: 20-36-98 A/C No. 20000078*



***Celebrant & Preacher: Revd Tayo Wale Falope***

### **Looking Ahead: September**

**Sunday 21 September 2025**

**9:15 am Trinity 14**

Benefice Pet Service  
@ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

**5-5:30 pm**

Benefice Expressive Worship  
@ St Andrew's Much Hadham

**Thursday 25 September 2025**

**10 am:** Mid-week communion  
@ St Cecilia's Little Hadham

**Sunday 28 September 2025**

**9:15 am Trinity 15**  
Benefice Holy Communion  
@ St Mary's Albury

### **Bible Study @ The Rectory**

**Thursday 18 & 25 September 2025. 8pm**

(Email [muchhadhamrectory@gmail.com](mailto:muchhadhamrectory@gmail.com) to book.)

### **Please Keep In Our Prayers:**



Stuart Sagers  
David Stroud  
Tamsin Farrell

Peter Radley  
Joanne Luxford  
Marj Ellis

### **And the bereaved families of:**

Nigell D'Oyly

### **In loving memory (September):**

Meryl Hart 14 September 1994  
Alexander C Bayford 9 September 2024

**Death cannot kill what never dies.**

*William Penn*

**Our Hymns for this service are:**

Opening: A&M794 The King of Love My Shepherd Is  
Gradual: A&M676 Immortal Invisible God Only Wise  
Offertory: A&M587 Amazing Grace  
Closing: A&M800 The Lord's My Shepherd

**We Pray The Collect Together:**

**Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.**

**We Listen To God's Word**

**Psalms 14**

<sup>1</sup> The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God.'  
Corrupt are they, and abominable in their wickedness; there is no one that does good.

**<sup>2</sup> The Lord has looked down from heaven upon the children of earth, to see if there is anyone who is wise and seeks after God.**

<sup>3</sup> But everyone has turned back; all alike have become corrupt: there is none that does good; no, not one.

**<sup>4</sup> Have they no knowledge, those evildoers, who eat up my people as if they ate bread and do not call upon the Lord?**

<sup>5</sup> There shall they be in great fear; for God is in the company of the righteous.

**<sup>6</sup> Though they would confound the counsel of the poor, yet the Lord shall be their refuge.**

<sup>7</sup> O that Israel's salvation would come out of Zion!  
When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,  
then will Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad.  
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 Timothy 1.12 - 17**

<sup>12</sup> I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, <sup>13</sup> even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief <sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. <sup>16</sup> But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life.

<sup>17</sup> To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever.  
Amen.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Reading: Luke 15.1- 10**

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

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup> Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. <sup>2</sup> And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, 'This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.' <sup>3</sup> So he told them this parable: <sup>4</sup> 'Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? <sup>5</sup> When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. <sup>6</sup> And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, "Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost." <sup>7</sup> Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance. <sup>8</sup> 'Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? <sup>9</sup> When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, "Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost." <sup>10</sup> Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you O Christ**

**Post Communion**

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

