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#### Welcome to St Albright's

If you are new to the area or a visitor to this Church, please introduce yourself to the clergy or to one of the sidespeople who gave you your hymn books.

**Families** are very welcome in church. Please speak to a team member about the various services we provide for youth.

A **Hearing Aid Loop** is in operation during the service. Please set your hearing aid to the 'T' setting.

The Toilets are situated in the hall next to the church.

**Holy Communion** - Everybody is welcome to receive Communion, but, if you do not normally receive, we encourage you to come to for a blessing. Please bring a hymn book or order of service with you so we know that you have come for a blessing.

**Collections** –You can donate to St. Albright's online. There is a dedicated page on the website so as to make giving much easier. If you would like further details about how to give, and there are many ways to do so, then please contact any of the ministry team or churchwardens. We particularly welcome regular giving, however small, either using weekly envelopes or by standing order, and, if you are a taxpayer we can reclaim Gift Aid.

It is also possible to **sponsor a day in the life of the church**. You may wish to make a one-off donation in memory of someone or to celebrate a particular event. Please contact any of the ministry team or Churchwardens.

**Pastoral Support Team** - If you would like a visit from a member of our Pastoral Team, please speak to one of the clergy.

**Bookstall** - a well-equipped bookstall may be found by the main door. You are welcome to borrow any books.



#### **PEW BULLETIN**

"Seeking to be the transforming presence of God's love in Stanway"

We welcome you to our worship today.

## Sunday 14th September- Holy Cross

103.0am: Holy Communion Service at St Albright's

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September – Holy Cross Day Cyprian, bishop, martyr, 258

## Tuesday 16th September

Ninian, bishop, apostle of the Picts, c. 432 Edward Bouverie Pusey, priest, 1882 10.00am: Albright's Tots 1.30pm: Time to Talk Tuesday

## Wednesday 17th September

Hildegard, abbess, visionary, 1179

## Friday 19th September

Theodore, archbishop, 690

#### Saturday 20th September

John Coleridge Patteson, bishop, and companions, martyrs, 1871

# Sunday 21st September - Mathew, Apostle and Evangelist

10.30am: Holy Communion at St Albright's

Prayer Requests:
Those who have asked for our prayers:

Karl, Joan Alexander, Carol and Gordon Harvey, Keith, Penny Miller, Daniel Butcher, Ann Booty, Amy, Marcus, Mark Claydon, Alison, Sophie, Jo and Richard, Doreen Hales, Jenny Richardson, Brian Greenaway Ann and John, Graham and Viv, Alex, Alexander, Simon, Joshua, Jill Dixon, Mervyn, Antony Watson, Maxine Humes, Jean Needs, Suzannah, Irene Brewer, John & Hazel, Morgan Burgoyne, Ann Adams, Dorothy Williams, John Perfect, Tony Windsor, Vitaly and Rosolaka, Nicola Jones, Ali, Shirley Vaughan, Suvianna, Edwin Lambert

Those to be baptized at St. Albright's –

Joseph Newman, Peace and Joshua Olatunde, Sophia Grace Cattermole, Bodhi Lee David Ross

**Those** who are getting married - Chris Palmer and Emily Dowrick, Ryan Scot and Gemma Story. Also, those who are having their banns called here this year

The recently departed and their families:-

Robert Radcliffe, Phyllis Evelyn Clark, Richard Ives, Shirley McCormack, Snowy Barron, Stephen Spice, Veronica Morgan, Valeria Florea, Anne Sheekey, Richard Mugford, Ida Totham, Donald Rampton, Virginia Windsor, Damian Taylor, Tom Morgan, Linda Brook, Joanne Marie Doman, Mason Morgan, Jean Gilbert, Babs Baker, Leonard Comben, Tony Momotiuk, Adeleye Adediran Aluko

#### Other Christian communities in Stanway:

Stanway Evangelical Church, The Kingsland Church, St. Teresa's Roman Catholic Church, Lexden, The Methodist church.

Continue to pray for the Middle East, Ukraine, Sudan and Congo, Refugees who have come to Colchester.
Colchester Foodbank

If you have a particular prayer request you can fill in a card and place it in the box in church. Prayers will be said at services.

#### **COLLECT FOR HOLY CROSS**

Almighty God, who in the passion of your blessed Son made an instrument of painful death to be for us the means of life and peace: grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer for his sake; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### **COLLECT FOR THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

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.

#### Harvest Service

This year, our Harvest Celebration will be shared with Shrub End. The celebration will be led by Archdeacon on **Sunday**, **28th September**, at St Albright's. where we will have our friends from Shrub End joining us. We will be having our Harvest Hymns, followed by a light lunch in the hall. Please bring your donations on Sunday or leave them in the church during the week. All produce donated will be made to Colchester Engagement and Next Steps. We would also need volunteers in distribution of the produce. For more details, feel free to speak to Ravi or Pam.

#### St. Albright's in Vacancy

This rather strange word describes that period during which a parish does not have an incumbent (vicar or priest in charge). It is also known as an interregnum. In this time the persons responsible for the church are the churchwardens, so in our case it falls to Pam and Ravi to lead the parish. This most obviously involves finding clergy to preside at Sunday services, but also to chair the PCC and to manage the business of the church. The convention is that no major changes to liturgy or practice take place during a vacancy – the wardens in collaboration with the PCC will "keep the show on the road" as it were. Therefore if you have any questions or queries then please refer them to Pam or Ravi after Tony's departure.

The collaboration with Shrub End continues and it may be that the existing pattern of joint services may have to be altered at times owing to the availability of clergy which is critical at the moment.

The process of selecting a new priest in charge for Stanway and Shrub End is continuing. The Parish Profile, a document which describes the parish for any prospective applicants, was drafted by us in April (many thanks to Ravi and Mark Claydon) and has been approved by Bishop and Archdeacon. Once that is formally in place then the post can be advertised and interviews occur. It can be a lengthy process but it is important to get it right so that the right person is appointed. Please do continue to pray for this and for the wardens and PCC during the vacancy.

#### This Hall is available for hire

The Hall for St Albright's Church (known as St Andrew's Hall), is next to St Albright's Church, London Road, Stanway, CO3 8LR

We have sessions available Monday to Saturday for regular or occasional bookings.



For details please contact: lvor and Pam Ellis. Mob: 07979 300217 Email: ivorellis@btinternet.com



Welcomes you to our baby and toddler group

St Albright's Church Hall, London Road, Stanway. CO3 8LR.

Tuesdays 10:00 - 11:30am

Term time except the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month.







£2 a child and £3 a family - includes a range of snacks fo children and hot drink and biscuits for adults.





Onsite parking, Craft activities, Themed weeks Outside area, Role play, Singing, Baby corner

See you there!

The next meeting will be this **Tuesday**, **16**<sup>th</sup> **September**.



The Stanway Wellbeing Hub is a place for people to be with people. Meet in St Andrew's Hall next to St Albright's Church, Stanway, CO3 8LR 1:30 - 3:00pm 1st and 3rd Tuesdays Every Month



"Our vision is to help everyone in our community to thrive socially, emotionally, physically, spiritually and economically."

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The next meeting will be this **Tuesday**, **16<sup>th</sup> September.** We look forward to welcoming as many of you that can make it there.

## It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning

and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes to support people living with cancer.

Wednesday 24th September 10.30am - 12noon at St Andrew's Hall next to St Albright's Church corner of London Road and Church Lane, Stanway, CO3 8LR



Hosted by St Albright's Church For further details contact: office@stalbrights.org





#### **FIRST READING**

A reading from the book of numbers.

The Israelites travelled from Mount Hor along the route to the Red Sea, to go round Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

(Numbers 21. 4-9)

## **PSALM**

Refrain: All the ends of the earth shall turn to you, O Lord.

You who fear the Lord, praise him! All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him; stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!

For he did not despise or abhor the affliction of the afflicted; he did not hide his face from me, but heard when I cried to him.

## Refrain

From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him.

The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord. May your hearts live for ever!

## Refrain

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord;

and all the families of the nations shall worship before him.

For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.

Refrain

(Psalm 22. 23-28)

## **SECOND READING**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Christ Jesus, being in very nature God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

(Philippians 2. 6-11)

## **GOSPEL**

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

## All: Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said: "No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "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. "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** 

(John 3. 13-17)

#### PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually to my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow you more nearly, day by day. **Amen** 

#### **POST COMMUNION**

Faithful God, whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes: give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for his is our salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as Lord, now and for ever.

#### **HYMNS**

All hymns are taken from BBC Songs of Praise.

10 - Immortal invisible God only wise

129 - Name of all majesty

295 - In heavenly love abiding

297 - King of glory, King of peace

#### Communion

25 - The King of love my shepherd is.