

## **Pews News for Sunday 6th September**

### **93km in 24 hours**

We are pleased to announce that Chris Dommett completed 93k of his 100k challenge (nearly three marathons in 24 hours!) last weekend and raised £4140, beating his £3000 target. Thank you for all who have supported him with prayers and donations.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/christopher-dommett1>

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The **Short Mat Bowls** Group will be returning to the Church Hall on Wednesday 9th September 2-4pm. Please stagger your arrival to avoid queueing. Face coverings should be worn. For more information please contact Dorothy Kirby 266425

**Craft and Chat** will start again on **FRIDAY** September 11<sup>th</sup> 1.30 -3.30 in the Church hall. Please stagger your arrival to avoid queueing. Face coverings should be worn. Any queries please contact Elaine Abraham on 01234 301181 or e-mail [elaineabraham@live.co.uk](mailto:elaineabraham@live.co.uk).

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### **Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust Bike n Hike on 12th Sept. Please Support**

**Colin Last and Andrew and Shelly Dennison in their efforts.**

Andrew and Shelly Dennison

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/andrew-dennison2>

Colin Last

[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/colin-last](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/colin-last)

Colin Writes;-

I'm taking part in the annual sponsored Bike 'n Hike for Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust on Saturday 12th September. This is the 10th year I have been doing this. I shall be cycling, visiting as many churches as I can in the area. **40 is my target**. This year, because of Covid-19, things will be slightly different as few if any of the churches will be open.

Half of the money raised goes to the Trust, half to St Mary's. The Trust is a great charity to support as it gives grants for the upkeep of our fine old churches.

## Music as we arrive in Church

Congregational singing is not currently allowed in church services nor are people encouraged to socialise before the service as we would normally do. We are exploring ways in which we can use music for our worship, this includes music as we enter the church. We ask that you please respect this and sit quietly preparing to worship as music is played. Please use this time to focus your thoughts and minds on the God we gather to worship and who is being worshiped through the music.

We want to continue to encourage socialising but please do so socially distanced **outside** of the church building before or after the service.

## Sunday worship instructions 9:30am

So that we can all worship safely and protect ourselves and others please follow all instructions given. This will be strange and very hard for many, but please do follow these instructions to maintain social distancing.

Here are some general instructions:-

- Please wear a face mask or covering.
- Please clean hands with gel on entering the church.
- Please sit in the pews as indicated and DO NOT wander around church.
- Service sheets will be found on pews/seats that can be used.
- During the peace we do not wander around the church or shake hands.
- During our service, we will be offering communion.
- You do not have to receive communion if you do not wish to. Please indicate by lifting your hands to receive.
- Communion will be brought to people sitting in the pews to reduce movement.
- At the end of the service please leave the church directly.
- You can talk with people outside the building.
- The toilet is available-please follow cleaning instructions after use.
- Refreshments, sadly, will not be served after the service at this time.

Thank you for your understanding and co-operation. If you have any questions please ask.

## Financial support of the church

Thank you to everybody who is supporting the work of the church through regular donations and stewardship. If you support this work with envelopes and cash donations, these can be left in the collecting plates as you enter church. Thank you.

## Church open for Private Prayer

The church can be used for private prayer by arrangement. Please contact the churchwardens or vicar for keys. We ask that you follow the instructions for entering the church, and where you go in the church, and how to clean before you leave.

BE SAFE - KEEP SAFE

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## Sunday 6th September

### 8am BCP Said Communion

followed by

### 9:30am Family Praise

this week

## Wednesday 9th September

10am BCP Said Communion

## Sunday 13th September

9:30am Communion with prayer for wholeness and healing

If you would like a person remembered by name at this service, please let the vicar know.

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## Prayer at the heart of our church life

St. Mary's has been supported by a group of people formerly lead by Sheila Berry known as 'The Prayer Fellowship'. We have also been supported by the work of the Pastoral Committee lead by Chris Jones. We are looking at developing the ministry of prayer in these areas.

You are invited to a short service of prayer on **Sunday 20th September at 5pm** followed by a sharing of ideas about where God is calling us in this important ministry, especially at this time.

Please put the time and date in your diary. If you cannot come but would like to be part of this ministry or know more about how it works, please let the vicar know.



## St Mary's Cuppa and Chat

Come and join with others for a chance to chat and share

**MONDAY Sep 7, 2020 02:30 PM London**

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76933883953?pwd=ZnMwOWhFUkpUdkJwbGI2KzVhQk44QT09>

Meeting ID: 769 3388 3953

Passcode: T1CHie

**WEDNESDAY: Sep 9, 2020 11:00 AM London**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76553146893?pwd=STJqNnZYV1I6ZXY5SVVva0pob0Nudz09>

Meeting ID: 765 5314 6893

Passcode: DSvM3X





## Prayer for today

Search me out, O God, and know my heart.

Creator God,  
may every breath we take be for your glory,  
may every footstep show you as our way,  
that, trusting in your presence in this world,  
we may, beyond this life, still be with you  
where you are alive and reign  
for ever and ever. Amen

Please pray for Rebecca Dommett and James Ferrell to be married at St. Mary's on the 12th September at 3pm

Please pray for Marcus to be ordained Deacon on 26th September at 4pm.

## Prayers and Help

If you have a prayer request or need help please let one of us know.

Our phone numbers are:

Revd Simon: 351920,

Revd Jennie: 266952,

Marcus: 07498 843908

[St. Albans Youtube Channel for Sunday Worship](#)

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[!\[\]\(a8f9309f944226d1420f5fed22e2b6e6\_img.jpg\) St Marys Goldington FACEBOOK](#)

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