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Parish Diary for October

Sun 1st		Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Harvest Festival
	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Parish Eucharist with Junior Church
	11.00am	Home Communion for the Sick
	12 noon	Harvest Lunch in St. Michael's Room
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong (BCP)
Mon 2nd	9.30am	Team Communion at St. Michael's, Birchwood
	7.45pm	Fabric Committee Meeting
Tues 3rd	10.00am	St Mary's Church School Harvest Service
	7.30-9.30pm	'Getting Connected' course in St Michael's Room
Sat 7th	9.30am-3pm	Diocesan Synod, Biggleswade
Sun 8th		Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity
	8.00am	Holy Communion (CW*)
	9.30am	Parish Eucharist (CW) with Junior Church
	6.00pm	Evensong with annual Burleigh Sermon at St Etheldreda's, Old Hatfield
		<i>NB No service at St Mary's this evening</i>
Mon 9th	9.30am	Team Communion at St John's Hilltop
Tues 10th	7.30-9.30pm	'Getting Connected' Course, St Michael's Room
Sat 14th	7.00pm	Borehamwood Brass Band concert - St Mary's
Sun 15th		Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity
	8.00am	Holy Communion (CW)
	9.30am	Parish Eucharist (CW) with Junior Church
	6.30pm	BCP Holy Communion
Mon 16th	9.30am	Team Communion at St Etheldreda's
Tues 17th	8.00pm	Churches Together in North Mymms meeting St Michael's Room

CW - Common Worship

* - Traditional Language

BCP - Book of Common Prayer

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Harvesting a Fragile Earth

As I drove home one July evening and observed the combines out harvesting the crops, I reflected that the next Sunday was when we should be celebrating our harvest festival, not at the beginning of October, as we have planned! We're all a bit wrong-footed by the effects of 'global warming'; the changes in weather patterns mean crops ripen early and food chains are disturbed, plants flower at odd times, squirrels never hibernate (of that I'm convinced!) and we're no longer sure when to put away our summer wardrobe! One thing of which we can be certain is that changes are occurring rapidly and they affect our entire planet.

In July I attended 'Kyoto Local', a Diocesan Environment Conference at St Albans Cathedral at which a number of keynote speakers gave us insights into their areas of expertise, ranging from eco-efficiency in buildings, water, waste and recycling, new housing and the challenge of sustainable development, biodiversity and the natural environment and local food sourcing, to name a few. The conference itself was organised in as sustainable way as possible – 100% recycled paper, refreshments served in biodegradable cups and with as few lights on as we could get away with! It was a great opportunity to glean a trustworthy picture, with statistics (very challenging), to ask questions and be helped to think through taking practical action, that is both feasible and will make a difference. And a difference to which we all need to make a contribution.

Whatever our beliefs, most of us would readily agree that we have the responsibility of taking care of our planet and that we have a dubious track record in this respect. People of certain faiths, especially Judaism and Christian, have at the heart of their tradition, the understanding that God is deeply bound to us within creation and has entrusted us with the care of creation in an abiding relationship with him. With great care and wisdom everything has been so placed that all creatures are of value and are inter-dependent upon each other. This is by no means static, but one that is constantly evolving. More than one speaker at the conference observed that animals and species adapt to their environment, thus maintaining harmony. Humans, on the other hand, adapt the environment to suit them – and the results are all around.

What are we to do? Adapt ourselves and help others, and creatures, where they need it, to do the same. To begin with we can carry out energy audits on our households and set ourselves targets to reduce our consumption. Here's a statistic for contemplation: householders provide 27% of all the CO2 emissions and consume 50% of all water. Well, we've discovered how

we can reduce our water consumption this summer! Over the next few years some 152,000 new homes are expected to be built across Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire; consider the increase in pressure on our energy needs those homes will exert.

We are being encouraged to carry out similar audits, too, known as 'measuring our footprint' on our churches. No one and no thing is exempt! It might seem daunting, but we could also see it as an opportunity to be creative and community-spirited. Talking of the community, there is an article elsewhere in this issue from one of our Councillors, Bill Storey, on some methods of dealing with general and household rubbish in a more environmentally friendly way, which he learned about during a visit to Germany recently.

Harvest festivals are a time when we focus on the provision of the earth and thank God for all his sustaining life. Most of us are no longer quite so directly connected to the earth and do not ourselves gather in the provisions, yet we remember with appreciation others who do so on our behalf. At harvest we do focus on our stewardship of the earth and are reminded that God calls us to care for it and maintain its delicate balance. We have much more to learn; let us take up the call with humility and renewed enthusiasm. May we be delighted in the discoveries ahead. Happy harvesting!

With love and prayers

Sally

Ode:

Intimations of Immortality from recollections of early childhood

"There was a time when meadow, grove and stream,
The earth and every common sight
To me did seem
Apparell'd in celestial light,
The glory and the freshness of a dream.
It is not now as it had been of yore;
Turn whereso'er I may,
By night or day, the things which I have seen I now can see no
more."

William Wordsworth

Baptism Service, Sunday September 3rd

The 9.30 a.m. service on September 3rd was somewhat special. Although it was not billed as a 'family' service, there were no children's activities in St. Michael's Room. For in this service, the children were very much needed in the church.

First of all, Nathan Lees was to be formally inducted into the Choir. Church choirs are vital institutions, not only because of the way they enhance our worship, but also because for many people they are the way in which they come to appreciate serious music and the joys of communal music-making. We extend our warmest good wishes to Nathan, confident that his involvement in the Choir will be of great benefit both to him personally and to all of us.

However, the main event of the service was the baptism of Eliza Ruben. For this, Sally had prepared a special sermon, and asked all the children in the congregation to join Eliza on the chancel steps for it. The gist of it was: just as when you bake some jam tarts, the ingredients are mixed together irreversibly, and cannot be separated out, so when the Holy Spirit enters into you, it becomes an integral part of you, and it cannot be taken out of you again. This neat exposition held everyone's attention, until it was time for the baptism itself. Eliza is four years old, which means it was technically an 'infant baptism', with the vows made on her behalf by her parents and godparents, even though she was old

enough to understand pretty well what was going on. This is how one of the children (Eleanor Lee) described the ceremony:

'Eliza came up to the front, and her Mum and her Dad dipped their fingers in some oil and put a cross on her forehead, first Mum and then Dad. Then all the children walked down to the font. First Sally poured a very tall jug of water into the font. Then Eliza's Mum and Dad held her up, and she leant forward as far as she could, and Sally wet her hands and went *splosh splosh splosh* on her face, and then we all went back to the front.'

It says much for the way the service was conducted that for all its solemnity, it held the children's attention throughout. It was a most fitting way for Eliza to be welcomed into the family of Christ's followers.

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Talking Rubbish

It may be that some readers will expect nothing else from one of your local councillors, but I hope you will take a moment to glance through this.

All of us throw things away; when it goes in the bin the District Council collects it and the County Council arranges its disposal. In Hertfordshire a modest amount goes to the incinerator in Edmonton while the majority goes to landfill in Bedfordshire. However, European and national rules are changing. The tonnage going into landfill has to be progressively reduced over the next few years, or there are local financial penalties. If the whole country fails to meet European targets, there are substantial European financial penalties which would be passed on to those county or unitary authorities which are failing.

A few weeks ago, along with others from Hertfordshire, I went to Germany on a trip organised by DEFRA beginning in Münster and concluding in Lübeck. Germany brought in a law last year that no untreated waste was to go to landfill. They have built plants of various types to deal with both domestic and commercial waste to comply with this law.

On the first morning we visited the plant at Osnabrück. Outwardly a large modern industrial building with its surrounds well maintained, it dealt with waste from a population of about 300,000. All the work was enclosed, even the internal conveyors. There

was no odour. The incoming waste was mechanically screened and metals, etc. still in the stream were extracted for recycling. The residue was reduced to a constant size, dried and pelleted. This refuse derived fuel is stable for long enough to be sent to district heating plants and cement works to be burnt.

After a sandwich lunch on the coach, we visited our second plant which had similar characteristics. Some of its product went to a small plant which produced steam for a chemical factory and some electricity. After this visit, we had a journey to Hamburg arriving about 7.30pm. The following morning we visited the latest of the four Energy from Waste plants that cater for the city of Hamburg and its surrounding

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district. Interestingly, they have used this method since 1894 when they imported the technology from Britain!

This plant is situated in the dock area near the new bridge over the Elbe. Think of the Queen Elizabeth Bridge at Dartford, but larger! Again, the waste stream arrives and is unloaded in an enclosed reception hall. Basically mechanical processes extract recyclables that are still present and the larger pieces, usually from commercial sources, are also removed. What is left is reduced to a suitable size and burned. The steam produced drives turbines that generate electricity. The waste steam goes in insulated pipes in a tunnel under the Elbe to a district heating scheme and by another pipeline to an industrial plant.

Most of the ash is graded and used as aggregate. The flue gases are washed and treated. Hydrochloric acid is extracted and sulphur dioxide washed out leaving as a by-product 1000 tonnes per annum of high quality gypsum. After all these processes, only some 2% of the incoming tonnage has to be disposed of as landfill. The chimney is tall, but only so that the vapour plume, which can form in some weather conditions, is clear of the bridge carriageway. Rainfall on the 'green' roof and surrounding paving is collected and used as process water. I believe this plant would be the best solution for Hertfordshire.

In the afternoon (after another sandwich lunch!) we visited our fourth site. After mechanical sorting this used closed vessel composting to treat the bio-degradable portion. It was located where they have some 40 years of landfill capacity and the treated inert residue was mainly land-filled. There was some odour in the building housing the composting vessels.

We too will have to start treating our waste stream in this country differently. Early separation in collection makes for economy but relies on public cooperation. It is likely that more opportunities for separation will become available in the next few years. Treating waste left after it has been reduced as much as possible as a potential asset for recycling must make good sense economically and in a sustainable way.

Councillor Bill Storey



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Archbishop's Prayer for Darfur

The Archbishop of Canterbury has joined other faith leaders in expressing renewed concern for Darfur.

Dr Rowan Williams reflected on his visit to Sudan earlier this year saying:

‘In my visit to Sudan in March I saw people who had endured so much hatred and harm, and yet with the end of war in the south sought to return home, to rebuild quickly and work again for the future of their families and communities. It was their faith that sustained them, and the concerted efforts of faith communities, aid agencies and governments together that enabled truce first and then peace to be agreed.’

‘We do well to reflect on that experience of southern Sudan as we pray for Darfur. We are all under judgement in how we exercise the power we have, whether it is great or small. When in Matthew’s gospel the disciples asked Jesus when they visited him in prison, or when they saw him naked or hungry, he replied, “When you clothed, visited and fed the least of your brothers and sisters you did so to me.”’

‘So my prayer as a Christian is that we may live internationally as we seek to live locally: that we are all children of God, with no more or less value in the eyes of God than those whose names and villages we do not know.’

Sunday 17th September was designated as an international Day of Prayer for the region.

Heavenly Father,

We pray for those whose lives are lived on the margins of nations and suffer from the wars that others fight around them.

We pray for the warring factions, that they may see themselves under the gaze of God and those who suffer for their cause.

We pray for the peoples of Darfur who are haunted by fear of violence, hunger and hopelessness, that they may continue to be fed, visited and defended.

We pray for the work of peacekeepers, negotiators and the humanitarian organisations that security may prevail.

We pray for the Government of Sudan and for her unity.

We pray for peace in the name of him who is the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

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Isabel Hospice news

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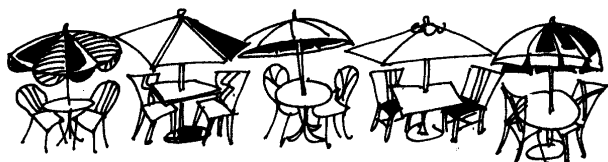
In July we held our annual Garden Party.

Candour compels me to admit to some concern for the welfare of all in the excessive heat and humidity at that time but in the event it was a delightful occasion.

High summer's gentle breeze in an English garden and in the shade of ancient trees where tea and talk flowed among friends - heavenly.

My heartfelt thanks go to Lady Trenchard who warmly welcomed us again to Abdale House and to all who ensured the pleasure of that lovely afternoon.

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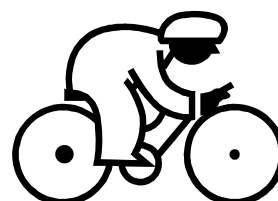
- well no, not exactly, it was around Hatfield!

On September 9th Craig and Beverly, Rhoda and Pat took part in the Beds and Herts Historic Churches Trust sponsored Bicycle/Hike around the local area. Half the sponsorship money raised comes back to the 'home' parish, the other half goes to the Trust. Churches welcoming visitors have to confirm they have been visited and they offer refreshments.

Craig and Beverly cycled, they are very experienced. Rhoda, only once having been on a bike and fallen off, decided to walk, and Pat nobly came with her. We started in Hatfield and plodded round some of the churches, Anglican, Methodist and URC. The day was sunny, we were welcomed as friends everywhere we went and returned home tired, happy and satisfied, as did Craig and Beverly who travelled further afield.

The four of us have been delighted with the sponsorship money we have raised, and we look forward to repeating our bike/walk next year. We will let you know the grand total later when it is all collected.

Rhoda Brutey



The Westminster Abbey Museum

Hidden away at the very back of Westminster Abbey you will find this small and very interesting museum in the ancient vaulted undercroft.

It is well worth a visit and has some rather fascinating exhibits, among them a waxwork effigy of Nelson. This must have been a very life-like one, for so the story goes, his daughter Horatia, aged six, cried out and wanted to touch him when she saw it. He is wearing his own full-dress uniform, and is particularly interesting after all the Battle of Trafalgar celebrations that took place last year.



*Westminster Abbey Museum
Effigy of Horatio, Lord Nelson
© Dean and Chapter of Westminster*

The museum has a unique collection of effigies dating from that of King Edward III who was buried in the Abbey in 1377. The effigy is of wood and gesso, and is said to be a death mask of him which would have been carried at his funeral. The wood is hollowed out behind to reduce its weight.

Another interesting effigy is that of Queen Elizabeth I which was remade in 1760, and her head modelled from her tomb effigy in the Abbey. Her dress is an 18th century copy of what she wore at the Thanksgiving Service for the defeat of the Spanish Armada. Her original corset is displayed separately.

In King Charles II's effigy the face is made of wax and is said to be a death mask. He is an impressive figure dressed in clothes of the period and stands 6'2" high. He is wearing the mantle of the Order of the Garter, of blue velvet lined with white silk, with the blue Garter ribbon round his left leg, and a black velvet plumed hat.

The Duchess of Richmond said in a codicil to her will that she wanted her effigy made in wax, and for it to be dressed in her coronation robes, and a very fine figure she is too. Beside her is her grey parrot which lived with her for 40 years and survived only a few days after her death.

King William III and Queen Mary stand side by side - as he was considerably shorter than she, he is

The Westminster Abbey Museum (contd.)

standing on a footstool! He is wearing his coronation mantle and has a wig of brown human hair.

Queen Anne, Mary's sister, is seated, and although the model has no legs, the petticoats hide this. They are of brocaded silk and she wears the star of the Order of the Garter.

Two of the Duchess of Buckingham's sons are a sad reminder that children died young in those days. Robert died aged 3, and his effigy is dressed in clothes which once belonged to him. Edmund died aged 19 of tuberculosis when he was visiting Rome. His effigy lies in a Coronation robe on a coffin board and was carried in a procession. His original coronet was probably stolen, together with the flap of his gold waistcoat. His wig of human hair is powdered with orris root and has the label of a peruke maker dated 1735.

The last known effigy to have been carried at a funeral was that of Catherine, Duchess of Buckingham, the illegitimate daughter of King James II, who died in 1743. She is also wearing her Coronation robes, and apparently supervised the dressing of the effigy herself!

The effigy of William Pitt made in 1775 was by Patience Wright, an American who was also a spy for Benjamin Franklin. He is wearing parliamentary robes and a powdered wig of human hair.

Also on display is the helm and shield of King Henry V carried at his funeral in 1422 with his saddle.

Other interesting exhibits include the 'Essex Ring', said to be the ring Elizabeth gave to the Earl of Essex.

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Archbishop and Chief Rabbis sign historic agreement

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Rowan Williams and the Chief Rabbis of Israel, Chief Rabbi Shlomo Amar and Chief Rabbi Yonah Metzger today signed a joint Declaration, which sets out a framework for continuing dialogue between them. Dr Williams described the agreement as historic: 'This is a most significant step in developing better mutual understanding and trust between the Anglican Communion and the Chief Rabbinate and worldwide Judaism.' More information is available from: <http://www.archbishopofcanterbury.org/releases/060905.htm>

Trace your family with Church of England's latest web development

The Church of England has launched a new area on its website to assist people trying to trace the branches of their family tree. The Church's dedicated web area brings together links to a range of sources for tracing family histories – including the Lambeth Palace Library – and provides contact points for archives and repositories up and down the land. Read more about the Church's signposts for people researching their family history:

<http://www.cofe.anglican.org/news/pr8206.html>

Visit the new pages at: <http://www.cofe.anglican.org/about/librariesandarchives/familyhistory/index.html>

Stand Up Against Poverty 14 September – 17 October 2006

Last year the slogan 'Make poverty history' united people by one symbol – the white band. This autumn the Global Month of Action will see millions of people unite again as they stand up against poverty, demand more action and renew the call for trade justice, debt cancellation and more and better aid.

'Stand Up Against Poverty' Month has been called by the Global Call to Action Against Poverty, a worldwide alliance of campaigning coalitions, faith groups, trade unions, community groups and individuals working to tackle poverty and inequality in their countries and around the world.

More information is available from: <http://www.bond.org.uk/campaign/toolkit/>

Singing for Pleasure Concert

Tickets are now available price £6 from Colin Brutey (01707 654633) and Mary Biggs (01707 653627) for the 'Singing for Pleasure' concert on October 21st at 7.45pm.

This is to be held at the Brookmans Park United Reformed Church in aid of 'Buy a Bed' for Green Pastures Hospital in Pokhara, Nepal.

Churches Together in North Mymms

Churches Together in North Mymms was started some 30 years ago. Ten years ago I was asked if I would like to join - caught by surprise, I said yes! However, it turned out to be the best thing I ever did since coming to North Mymms. I have met so many nice people and made so many new friends. The highlight has to be our regular - until this year - pilgrimages to Iona.

Our other activities include: 'Carers' held at St Mary's Church every Thursday from 10.00-2.00. This was started about 25 years ago to give carers at home a break - also anyone living alone and needing some outside activity. Some 12-15 people attend and there are several volunteer helpers (each with their own talents) who come regularly - a good time is had by all. When possible, the clergy do pay us a short visit occasionally.

Christian Aid; this collection week is organised by Churches Together in North Mymms, a big task for the few people involved.

Village Day at Brookmans Park School, and **St Mary's School Fete**. The three churches have a presence at each of the above—a stall with some articles for sale and a small game for youngsters.

Church Services - those organised by Churches Together in North

Mymms are a Christian Unity Service in January, Songs of Praise in September, (see facing page), and a Carol Concert in December.

Before Christmas and Easter a card with the times of Services in each of the three churches is put through the door in every house in North Mymms and Brookmans Park.

If anyone would like to go to Iona in 2007, please let me know soon. This has to be booked very early to ensure places.

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Churches Together in North Mymms - Songs of Praise

On September 10th about 70 members of three local churches enjoyed our local 'Songs of Praise'

After the welcome from Sally we all took part in a wide range of hymns and songs. The choice reflected thanksgiving, love, courage and all the human emotions.

It was fitting that we began with a setting of the Lord's Prayer, from there we thought of our own place in God's kingdom, ourselves as the channel through which God's work is done in this world. After a reading from the Old Testament reflecting on Solomon's prayers and supplication

we sung about the greatest virtue of all, that of love, the love which we all know we need more of. From there we sung of the Glory of God, the greatness of which we can hardly imagine.

After very thoughtful intercessions by Martin of the United Reformed Church we moved on to singing two hymns about how we crave for God's light to be upon us in our daily lives. We listened thoughtfully to a reading from the great Sermon on the Mount.

Finally we turned to hymns of hope, of our belief in our faith. We concluded with the great psalm 150 and the joint blessing by Sally and Martin.

All too soon we ended in joy, hope and love to go out once again, into the world, all Christians with work to do. We look forward to welcoming the new priest for St. Thomas More at our next Songs of Praise. A collection was taken for the Isabel Hospice before we adjourned to St. Michael's Room for friendship, chat and delightful cake, tea and coffee. May we continue to enjoy our Songs of Praise all together as Christians in the community.



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Coffee and Tea Rota

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We are all very grateful to those who are already keeping the rota going week by week, but if you would be delighted to have more help. If you feel you can, please contact me or the churchwardens Diana or Russell.

Audrey Smith
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Junior Church at St. Mary's



Junior Church provides activities for children from 2 to 10 years during the 9.30am service every Sunday until Christmas except for Sundays 12th and 26th November.

12th November is Remembrance Sunday, and on 26th November there is a Children's Special in the afternoon from 3pm until 5pm.

Junior church is led by Robin Elgar (01707 261810) with Chris Willis and Karen Hopkins assisting her. There will also be several helpers on hand if needed.

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31st October - Hallowe'en

Hallowe'en celebrations have their roots in pre-Christian times. On the last night of October the Celtic Druids performed ceremonies to honour the sun. At the same time the Druid priests lit great bonfires and performed magic rites to ward off the dark supernatural powers which they feared with the onset of winter.

The Romans arrived, with their Harvest Festival honouring the goddess Pomona with gifts of apples and nuts, and gradually the two festivals slowly merged. When Christianity replaced the Roman and Celtic religions 1 November - All Saints Day - was dedicated to all Christian martyrs and saints who had died. It was called 'All Hallows' Day'. The evening of prayer before was called 'All Hallows' Eve'.

During the Middle Ages, magic words and charms were used to keep away bad luck. Today, Christians have learned to turn to prayer instead of charms to overcome the powers of darkness. The deeper, true meaning of All Hallows' Eve should not be forgotten as the day when we remember and give thanks for those who have gone before us through the gates of death.

Parish pump



From the Parish Church Registers

Baptisms:

We welcome into the Lord's family:

Eliza Jane Ruben	3rd September 2006
Isabella Rose Mann	17th September 2006
Oliver Thomas Mann	17th September 2006
Benjamin Joseph Mann	17th September 2006
Freya Sophia Wilson	17th September 2006



Weddings:

We congratulate:

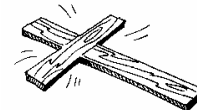
Nicholas Vincent and Nina Goodyear	2nd September 2006
Mark Dibden and Megan Pepper	9th September 2006
Robert Biddulf and Alison Oliver	16th September 2006
Simon Pratt and Claire McGlew	23rd September 2006



Funerals:

Our sympathy to the relatives and friends of:

Geoffrey Morley Seagrave	5th September 2006
David Peter Clark	11th September 2006
Winifred Amy Gladys Sherman (Freda)	20th September 2006
William Killick	21st September 2006
Ann Westcott	22nd September 2006



Interment of ashes:

Olive Lilian Fruin	30th August 2006
Mary Constance Davies	9th September 2006
Ivan William Davies	9th September 2006
Herbert Yates	18th September 2006

Only the current registers, (Baptisms from March 1980; Weddings from January 1999, Burials from March 1984 and Services from July 1996) are stored at the church. All previous church registers, and parish magazines, are stored at the Hertfordshire Archives and Local Studies, County Hall, Hertford, SG13 8EJ. (01992) 555105, to ensure they are adequately preserved.

- Wed 18th** **Luke the Evangelist**
Flower Festival at St Luke's, Hatfield
8.00 pm Patronal festival Eucharist at St Luke's - all
welcome.
- Sun 22nd** **Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity**
8.00am Holy Communion (CW*)
9.30am Parish Eucharist with Junior Church
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
- Mon 23rd 9.30am Team Communion at St Mary's
- Sun 29th** **Last Sunday after Trinity**
8.00am Holy Communion (CW)
9.30am Parish Eucharist (CW) with Junior Church
6.30pm Evensong (BCP)
- Mon 30th** **Simon and Jude, Apostles**
9.30pm Team Communion at St Luke's, Hatfield
- Tues 31st 7.30-9.30pm 'Getting Connected' Course.

Weekly

- Wednesday 12noon-2pm Oasis (tea, coffee, biscuits)
8.00 pm Bell ringers' Practice
- Thursday 10.00am Carers' Support Group meet in St. Michael's
Room
- Friday Vicar's Day off
- 10.00 am Pramsters meet in St. Michael's Room
- 7.00 pm Choir practice

Monthly

- First Monday 6.30 pm Vicar's Office Hour at Vicarage
in month -7.30 pm

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