**NOTICES**

**FLOWERS The Family flower** for **September** in St. Stephen’s Chapel has been given Mike and Brenda Udall in loving memory of Philip and Emma Robinson..

**NORTH HARROW CHURCHES TOGETHER** are having a picnic **today from 1pm** on our field. There will be fun and games for all the family

**MESSY CHURCH** resumes on **Saturday 14th September**. Come and join in.

**SPECIAL DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**  Quiet day at Jordans, Beaconsfield on **Saturday 21ST September**, **10.00 – 16.00**. Short talks by John Beauchamp. If you wish to attend please fill in one of the forms and hand it to Kemi, Gary or David. Cost £ 10.

**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING** is on **Thursday 26th September** at 37 Jubilee Drive, HA40PA from 10am onwards. *Gill Moore*

**HARVEST FESTIVAL** will be on **Sunday 6th October.** There will be a shared lunch at **12 midday** after the 10am service. Please sign the list at the back of the church to let us know you are coming.

**HARVEST CHARITY** If you have a charity you would like us to sponsor for Harvest please let either Gary or Kemi know.

**INTERNATIONAL EVENING** will now take place after Christmas as the original date clashed with Harvest.

**CHRISTMAS MARKET** is on **Saturday 16th November.** It’s never too early to start preparing for it. Preserves are already being made but more jam jars are needed and any fruit will be appreciated. *Susan McLeod*

1. St Andrew's Church bank details for one-off payments and gifts –
2. **PCC of St Andrew's Roxbourne Parish**
3. **Sort code: 40-11-58  Acc No: 20404810**
4. *Please note this is not the account for regular Stewardship Giving - please see Wendy Godwin or Peter Sage for those details (Tel: 07889 249500*

***Please send any items for next week’s STARLINK to Susan McLeod by midday this Friday, preferably by email (***[***mcleod383@btinternet.com***](mailto:mcleod383@btinternet.com)***), or otherwise by hard copy to 8 Drake Road.***

**PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK**

**Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever.**

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| **SUNDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER 2024 TRINITY 14**  **Welcome back Lyndon!** | | | |
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| **8.00 am: Holy Communion**  **10.00 am: Parish Communion**  **with Prayers for Healing**  *and* **Children’s Church**  *Please come to the Hall after the Service for Coffee, Tea & Fellowship* | | |
| **This Week’s Services** |  | **Next Sunday** 8th September | |
| **Monday – Friday**  9.00 am Morning Prayer [cw]  **Wednesday**: 9.30am Holy Communion |  | **8.00 am:** Holy Communion  **10.00 am: Parish Communion**  *Isaiah 35: 4-7a; James 2: 1-17; Mark 7: 24-37* | |
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TODAY’S COLLECT

**Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

TODAY’S READINGS

***Deuteronomy 4: 1-2 & 6-9***

Now, Israel, hear the decrees and laws I am about to teach you. Follow them so that you may live and may go in and take possession of the land the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you. Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, “Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.” What other nation is so great as to have their gods near them the way the Lord our God is near us whenever we pray to him? And what other nation is so great as to have such righteous decrees and laws as this body of laws I am setting before you today? Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them fade from your heart as long as you live. Teach them to your children and to their children after them.

***James 1: 17-27***

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of first fruits of all he created.My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirrorand, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

***Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15 & 21-23***

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders;and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, ‘Why do your disciples not liveaccording to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?’ He said to them, ‘Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, “This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me;in vain do they worship me,teaching human precepts as doctrines.” You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.’Then he called the crowd again and said to them, ‘Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.’For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly.All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.’

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

**Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**PRAYER DIARY**

**This week we remember with thanksgiving the anniversaries of:** David Bendall; Peter Wood (1st). Eileen Shadbolt (3rd). Maurice Prower (5th).

**Prayer request for healing and other needs:** Ralph Bedford; Elizabeth Bello; Susan Brown; Robinson and Robina Ihesiene; Sue Nicholls; Pam Storey; Angela Zadurian.

**Happy Birthday to:** Stephanie Sadler (2nd); Eleanor Hill (6th).

**Congratulations to :** John and Diane Bidder who were married on 1st September. 1990; Alan and Carloyn Walford who were married on 2nd September 1989; Simon and Eleanor Hill who were married on 4th September 2021. May all couples have a happy day together and many more to come.

**The Parish: Our Schools** Alexander Special; Heathland; Moriah Jewish; Newton Farm; Roxbourne; Rooks Heath.

**Church Families:** Kiru Baharan; Otilja Baublyte; Vanisha Bekal; Ralph Bedford; Elizabeth and Kayode Bello; Sue Barnard; John, Katie, Emily and Diane Bidder; John and Daniel Blanchard.

