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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 sidespersons who gave you your hymn books.

**Families** are very welcome in church. There are toys and books in the side chapel. Just ask the churchwardens or any member of the congregation.

**Toilets** are situated in St Andrew's Hall next to the church.

**Holy Communion** - if you do not normally receive Holy Communion we encourage you to come to the altar rail for a blessing. Please bring a hymn book or order of service with you so we know that you have come for a blessing.

**Refreshments** are served after the 10.30 Sunday service in St Andrew's hall. Please join us.

**Collections** - A collection is taken during the offertory hymn. If you are a tax payer please consider filling in and using one of the pink/white envelopes provided in the pews. These Gift Aid envelopes enable the church to claim an extra 25% from the government on the amount that you give.

**Parish Newsletter** - is available to read and/or download online at [www.stalbrights.org](http://www.stalbrights.org). There are also free copies available at the rear of the church. Contributions should be sent to Revd. Tony Bushell by the 1st of January, March, May, July, September and November for entry in the next month's newsletter.

**Pastoral Support Team** - We now have a Pastoral Support Team. If you would like a pastoral visit please contact Revd. Tony Bushell.

## Daily Bible Readings

Is anyone interested in having the 'Daylight' notes from the Bible Reading Fellowship? The notes have a reading, short explanation and a prayer to help give a focus each day. Please speak to Penny Bonham who will be happy to help you.

**NB:** There is a well-stocked bookstall in church with a number of interesting and helpful Christian publications. Do please have a browse and borrow any you would like. Clement Arde-Aqua looks after it. Please speak to him for advice about books to read or requests to add to the library.



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

## Sunday 11th March

**We welcome you to our worship today**

**Please join us for refreshments after the 10:30 am service in St Andrew's hall adjacent to the church.**

### Sunday 11th March - Mothering Sunday

Holy Communion (1662) 9:00 am

Mothering Sunday Family Service 10:30 am

there will be posies for the children to give to their mothers

### Tuesday 13th March

10:00 am Ladies' Fellowship in St Andrew's Hall

### Wednesday 14th March

Holy Communion 9:30 am

10:30 Stanway Churches Prayer for the area to be visited Steve Swann's house, 78, Robin Crescent.

Choir Practice 6:30 pm

Lent Talk at St Andrew's Hall 7:30 pm

Speaker: Morag Bushell on The Passions of J S Bach.

### Friday 16th March

Holy Communion at Loganberry Lodge 11:00 am

Stations of the Cross

at St. Teresa's Roman Catholic Church, 7.30 pm

### Saturday 17th March

Pilgrim Course St Andrew's Hall 10:00 am

### Sunday 18th March - The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Holy Communion (1662) 9:00 am

Parish Eucharist (for all ages)

and Baptism of Thea Murphy 10:30 am

### Pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

David Martin, Leila Willmott, Karen Dixon, John Harvey, James Harvey, Sylvie and Dave Moss, Tony and Sue, Richard Letts, Anne Page, Saras, Katie Nixon, Nick Carter, Carole Cansdale, Rachel Kent, Mandy Drew, Peter Wild, Betty Sibley, Audrey Thompson, Joan Watson, Joan Binnie, Phil, Neville Papworth, Eric Blowes, Janet Bullard and Hazel Partridge.

**Please Pray for** Clement Arde-Acquah as he continues his training to be an Licensed Lay Minister and for all others on his course.

### Pray for those to be baptised at St. Albright's this year :

Thea Murphy (18/03), Ryan Anderson (06/05)

### Pray for those to be married at St. Albright's this year :

George Chaplin & Fiona Woodward (7th April at 12 noon)

Daniel Tyler & Rachel Phillips (30th June 1:00 pm)

Ryan Smith & Victoria McGown (Sun. 23 September at 3:00 pm)

Lee Bolton & Georgia Gann (13th October at 12 noon)

### Pray for the recently departed and their families:-

Bruna Orchard, George Pennington, Richard Burnige, Julie Lawson, Kieran Brook Mair Schoolar, Liz Terris, Kenneth Newberry, Joan Taylor and Peter Wilkinson.

### Pray for other Christian churches in Stanway:

Bethel Fellowship, Stanway Evangelical, The Tollgate Methodist Community and St. Teresa's Roman Catholic parish church Lexden. Pray for understanding, tolerance and unity amongst all Christian denominations.

**Pray** for all who today have nowhere to live or nowhere they can call home.

## Prayer Ministry

**There is an opportunity for private prayer in the side chapel with a member of the pastoral support team during Communion.**



### COLLECT

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

### READING

*A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.*

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive.

Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.** [Colossians 3: 12-17]

### GOSPEL READING

*A reading from St. Luke's gospel.*

The child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about Jesus. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too." This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.** [Luke 2: 33-35]

### POST COMMUNION

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### THE FAMILY SERVICE READING

*A reading from the first letter of John*

God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

**Thanks be to God.** (1 John 4: 9-11)

Hymns for Today  
See Hymn Sheet

### For your Diaries:-

#### LENT AT ST ALBRIGHT'S 2018

**Fridays in Lent:** Stations of the Cross at St. Teresa's Church. Fridays 9th, 16th, 23rd March. All at 7.30 pm..

#### WEDNESDAYS AT 7.30 pm

in St. Andrew's Hall

A series of talks to prepare us for the season which is at the very heart of our Christian faith and ministry. Guest speakers to include:-

**21st March.** Ruth Stone of Colchester Synagogue on Passover - Pesach and the Seder.

**28th March.** The Rev. Father Alexander Haig, priest at the Orthodox church of St. Helen, Colchester.

#### HOLY WEEK PROGRAMME

##### 25th March - Palm Sunday

Holy Communion (1662) 9:00am  
Blessing of palms, procession, dramatic reading of the Passion and Eucharist 10:30am

##### 26th March - Monday of Holy Week

Stations of the Cross 7:30pm

##### 27th March - Tuesday of Holy Week

Service of Prayer and Meditation 7:30pm

##### 28th March - Wednesday of Holy Week

Holy Communion 9:30am  
Lent Talk in St Andrew's Hall 7:30 pm  
Speaker: The Rev. Father Alexander Haig, priest at the Orthodox church of St. Helen, Colchester.

##### 29th March - Maundy Thursday

Chrism service at Chelmsford Cathedral 11:00 am  
Sung Eucharist with washing of feet followed by vigil until 10:00 pm. 7:30pm

##### 30th March - Good Friday

Sung Matins 10:00am  
Walk of Witness with other churches 12:00  
Devotional Service - Last hour of the Cross 2:00pm

##### 31st March - Easter Eve

Easter Vigil, Renewal of Baptismal vows  
Sung Eucharist 7:30pm

##### 1st April - Easter Day

Dawn Eucharist with other churches 5.45am  
Holy Communion (1662) 9:00am  
The Parish Eucharist 10:30am

### For the Children.

There are colouring pencils at the back of the church. Please ask the sidespersons who gave you your hymn book.

with love on

# Mothering Sunday



### Prayer Walking

All the churches in Stanway are embarking on a systematic programme of prayer walks around the parish. Speak to Tony for more info.

Next Prayer Walk will be Saturday 31st March. Meet London Road outside Harvester.

Prayer for the area to be visited will be on the second Wednesday of every month at Steve Swann's house, 78, Robin Crescent. Next month will be Wednesday 14th March. at 10:30 am