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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. 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 13th May

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.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen

Sunday 13th May - Easter 7 - St Albright

Christian Aid Week begins

Holy Communion (1662) 9:00 am

Patronal Festival with the Dean of Chelmsford 10:30 am followed by picnic lunch

Monday 14th May - St. Matthais

Archdeacon's Visitation at Wickham Bishops
John Bonham and David Tibbetts-Chaplin will be formally sworn in as churchwardens

Tuesday 15th May

First Communion preparation in church 5:00 pm

Wednesday 16th May

Holy Communion 9:30 am

No Choir Practice

Thursday 17th May

2:00 pm Bible Study at 74 Tollgate Drive
We are studying the Letters of Peter

Friday 18th May

11:00 am Holy Communion at Loganberry Lodge

Sunday 20th May - Pentecost

Holy Communion (1662) 9:00 am

Family Communion and First Communion celebration 10:30 am
Choral Evensong 6:30 pm

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, Katie Nixon, Nick Carter, Carole Cansdale, Mandy Drew, Peter Wild, Betty Sibley, Audrey Thompson, Joan Watson, Joan Binnie, Phil, Neville Papworth, Janet Bullard, Hazel Partridge and Melanie and her family.

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 :

Ryan Anderson (06/05), Brando Stone, and Arthur Lant (22/07)
Louisa Phillips (29/7)

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

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 those who have been married at St. Albright's this year :

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

Pray for the recently departed and their families:-

Richard Burnige, Julie Lawson, Kieran Brook Mair Schoolar, Liz Terris, Kenneth Newberry, Joan Taylor, Peter Wilkinson, Derek Ellis, Revd. Antony Bell and Caroline Walker.

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.

COLLECT

Almighty Father, you have built up your Church through the love and devotion of your saints; inspire us to follow the example of Ethelbert whom we commemorate today, that we in our generation may rejoice with him in the vision of your glory; 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.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the prophet Micah.

'With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? with calves a year old?

Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?'

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

This is the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God. (Micah 6: 6-8)

PSALM

Response: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you. **R**

They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. **R**

The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down. **R**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

This is the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God

(Ephesians 3: 14-19)

GOSPEL: Matthew 19: 16-21

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew – **Glory to you O Lord.**

Someone came to Jesus and said, 'Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?' And he said to him, 'Why do you ask me about what is good? There is only one who is good. If you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments.' He said to him, 'Which ones?' And Jesus said, 'You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; Honour your father and mother; also, You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' The young man said to him, 'I have kept all these; what do I still lack?' Jesus said to him, 'If you wish to be perfect, go, sell your possessions, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord - **Praise to you O Christ.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Hymns for Today
(New English Hymnal)
Introit: 204, Gradual: 225
Offertory: 197, During Communion: 208
Thanksgiving: Sheet

Prayer Ministry

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



St Albright's Church Stanway
Rise and Shine
JOIN US FOR A SHORT INFORMAL SERVICE (APPROX 30 MINS)
FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN
AT 9:30AM ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH
THE SERVICE TAKES PLACE IN
ST ANDREW'S HALL, LONDON ROAD, STANWAY,
CO3 8LR (ADJACENT TO ST ALBRIGHT'S CHURCH)
EMAIL: VICARTONE@AOL.COM FOR FURTHER DETAILS
THERE WILL BE LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

Please pray for all those who continue to deliver the Rise and Shine cards to families new to the area who may not know that St. Albright's is their parish church. This new service for parents and young children will take place on the first Sunday of every month.

For your Diaries:-

Sunday 20th May (Pentecost) 10:30 Family Communion and First Communion celebration. Choral Evensong 6:30 pm

Please pray for Micaiah and Mathanaiah as they prepare to make their first communion on 20th May

Thursday 24th May - Holy Communion 7:00 pm followed by PCC Meeting at 7:30 pm

Saturday 26th May - Parish outing to Bury St Edmunds Cathedral. Please let Penny Bonham know if you would like to come.

Saturday 14th July - Coach outing to Suffolk churches in aid of the Churches Conservation Trust. The coach will be leaving St Albright's at 9.15am. The cost will be £25 per head to cover the cost of the coach and a donation to the CCT. Speak to David Tibbetts-Chaplin to reserve a place. We will be visiting - Dennington, Framingham, Stonham Parva and finishing with Evensong at Badley.

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 26th May Meet on Wheatfield Road, corner of New Farm Road.**

St Andrew's Hall
Our church hall in London Road
is available for booking.

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