



# THE MESSENGER

The weekly review of the Parish of

*St Michael and All Angels*

Watford

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**  
**11 November 2018**

Welcome to our services as we mark the centenary of the First World War Armistice. At the 9.30 am Eucharist Fr Geoff celebrates and preaches. Mark Simon leads the intercessions.

Hymns: 537, 553, 427 and 507

Setting: Thorne

Children's Church in Littlebury Hall.

Coffee and tea will be served in church after the 9.30 service – please stay on.

Act of remembrance at the War Memorial Cross at 11.00 am.

(Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church 1.00 – 5.00 pm)

Evening Prayer at 6.00 pm.

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## **For your prayers this week:**

### **The Church:**

The Parish of St Peter, St Albans.

The Episcopal Church of Cuba, the Rt Revd Griselda Delgado Del Carpio and all the people.

All Armed Forces and Ex-Service Association Chaplains.

### **The World:**

The work of the Royal British Legion and other ex-service associations.

We give thanks for the people from the Commonwealth countries who gave their lives.

All disabled ex-service personnel.

All work towards the prevention of war in the future.

### **The Community and Parish:**

All those fallen in war from our community, nationally and internationally.

Those whose names are mentioned on our war memorials

Ongoing work to trace the human stories behind the names.

### **The Ill and the**

**Housebound:** Especially Christopher Bilson, Fr John Brown, Marion Craddock-Jones, Kate Dickinson, Audrey Dixon, Cynthia Dixon, Claire Dunning, Fr Robert Featherstone, Jemima Hill, Peter Hinchey, Michael Jennings, Lionel Jones, Mary Kearns, Lesley Kinch, Loretta Lynch, Craig McKay, Lisa Mills, Sylvia Obeng, Dorcas Ochola, Christina Simon, Mark Simon, Norma Stone, Baby Adelaide Tonkin, Peter White; and all who care for them.

### **The Departed:**

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**Collect**

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the king of all:  
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**FIRST READING Jonah 3.1–5, 10**

A reading from the book of Jonah.

- <sup>1</sup> The word of the LORD came to Jonah, saying,  
<sup>2</sup> ‘Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you.’  
<sup>3</sup> So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days’ walk across.  
<sup>4</sup> Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s walk. And he cried out, ‘Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!’  
<sup>5</sup> And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.  
<sup>10</sup> When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

## **SECOND READING Hebrews 9.24–28**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

<sup>24</sup> Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.

<sup>25</sup> Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own;

<sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself.

<sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgement,

<sup>28</sup> so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

## **GOSPEL Mark 1.14–20**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

<sup>14</sup> After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God,

<sup>15</sup> and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

<sup>16</sup> As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen.

<sup>17</sup> And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.'

<sup>18</sup> And immediately they left their nets and followed him.

<sup>19</sup> As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets.

<sup>20</sup> Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

## **THIS WEEK**

Mon	12	Nov	Toddlers' Group	10.00 – 11.30am
Wed	14	Nov	Food Bank	10.00am – 12 noon
			Coffee in Church	10.30am – 12 noon
			Service at Home Manor	2.30pm
Thur	15	Nov	Holy Communion	10.00am
			Followed by coffee in Choir Vestry	
Sun	18	Nov	<b><u>SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT</u></b>	
			Holy Communion (Pres: Fr Geoff)	8.00am
			SUNG EUCHARIST (President: Fr Geoff)	9.30am
			Speaker from Christian Aid	
			Children's Church in Littlebury Hall	
			Interfaith Pilgrimage (see Notices)	12 noon
			Evening Prayer	6.00pm

## **NOTICES**

**ON THE 11<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**, after our Parish Eucharist, there will be an act of remembrance at the War Memorial Cross at 11.00 am, with wreath laying and silence. All are welcome to this, whether or not they have been to Church first.

**INTERFAITH PILGRIMAGE** on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November starting at 12 noon at Watford and District Synagogue and visiting 6 places of worship around Watford. All welcome from any or no faith and every age and ability. See leaflets at back of church.

**LIVE COUNTRY MUSIC SUNG BY RON RYALL WITH A TABLE QUIZ AND BUFFET:** At St Michael's on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November from 7.30 pm. Tickets £10 from Jamie or Holly Wareham. (Bring your own drinks.) Final date to purchase tickets is 18<sup>th</sup> November.

**CHRISTMAS FAIR:** This will be held on 1 December 2018. There are lists at the back of the church asking for volunteers to run stalls, help run stalls, help with lunches, setting up and clearing up. Please sign if you can help in any way.