

Happening in church this week..

Monday	5.30pm - Evening Prayer
Wednesday	10am-12noon - Coffee morning and Foodbank 5.30pm - Eucharist
Friday	5.30pm - Evening prayer
Sunday	9.30am - Sung Eucharist

Celebrating Our Community - this week we shine a spotlight on the Sunday Coffee Squad,

Spotlight on our Sunday coffee squad!

You keep us caffeinated and connected - and we love you for it. Thanks for all you do!

Thank you!

If you would like to shine a spotlight on someone, please email **halfsentence@gmail.com** with their name and a brief explanation.

First Aid Kits

Outside the clergy vestry.
In the ladies toilet.

Baby Changing

In the ladies toilet

Every donation that is made to **SAINT MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS PCC WATFORD** is gratefully received.

Code 20-91-79

Account 70409448.

Gift Aid? Please contact a warden.

Thank you very much!

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For Home Communion

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St Michael & All Angels,
Watford

THE MESSENGER



7TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 3rd August 2025

Welcome to our All Age service. Father Robert Fletcher is presiding.

Hymns

for this Sunday
are:

260

Morning has broken
(repeat verse 1 at the
end)

581

Take my life,
and let it be

433

Give me joy

530

Now thank we all
our God

In your prayers this week:

The Church

Waterford, St Michael and All Angels (Hertford and Ware) Jenny Gray, (LLWs) Tim Alexander, Pauline Manley, Richard Mean, Bob Page, Elizabeth Waterman.

Cherry Van the newly appointed Archbishop in the Church in Wales

ACP: Episcopal Church in the Philippines

The World

For all who suffer from war and hardship, especially in Gaza, Sudan, Israel, Ukraine, and Russia. Surround them with protection, comfort, and strength. May leaders choose peace over pride, and compassion over vengeance. Let hope rise where despair has taken root, and healing come to all who grieve or fear. For those affected by climate change bring relief and resilience. Stir in us a deep care for the earth and for one another. Guide our choices toward wisdom, humility, and love, that we may honour and protect this world for generations to come.

The Community and Parish

for all who serve on the committees that support the life of St Michael's. Bless their work and their hearts. May more be inspired to join in, growing closer to you and to one another in service and love.

The Ill and the Housebound

Especially Jean Alexander, Julie Alvarez, Janet Chandler, David Dimmock, Mihai Fezariu, Jemima Hill, Zuzana Hruskova, Owen Hutchinson, Sylvia Obeng, Valerie O'Riordan, Morris Parbhu, Matthew Paterson, Josephine Stadden, Catherine Stone, Fay Storey, Keziah Thairu, Adelaide Tonkin and all who care for them

The Departed

Collect

Generous God You give us gifts and make them grow: Though our faith is small as a mustard seed, Make it grow to your glory And the flourishing of your kingdom; Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

FIRST READING

Psalm 49 1-9

Hear this, all you peoples; listen, all who live in this world,
both low and high, rich and poor alike: My mouth will speak words of wisdom; the meditation of my heart will give you understanding. I will turn my ear to a proverb; with the harp I will expound my riddle: Why should I fear when evil days come, when wicked deceivers surround me - those who trust in their wealth and boast of their great riches? No one can redeem the life of another or give to God a ransom for them - the ransom for a life is costly, no payment is ever enough - so that they should live on forever and not see decay.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 12.13-21

Someone in the crowd said to him, Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me. But he said to him, Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you? And he said to them, Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions. Then he told them a parable: The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops? Then he said, I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry. But God said to him, You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be? So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.