

Happening in church this week..

Monday	10am-12md Little Mick's 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 our dear friends from the Jacobite Syrian Orthodox Church

Thank you for rolling up your sleeves and spreading love (and shine!) all around our church.

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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St Michael & All Angels,
Watford

THE MESSENGER



18TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Sunday 19th October 2025

Welcome to our service today. Father Robert Fletcher is presiding.

Hymns
for this Sunday
are:

453
Great is thy
faithfulness

416
Father, hear
the prayer we offer

474
Immortal,
invisible

278
Alleluia, sing to
Jesus

In your prayers this week:

The Church

Stagsden (Sharnbrook) Catherine Wilson, Petra Yates, (PTO) Di Harpham
ACP: The Episcopal Church (USA & Central/South America)

The World

For nations of our world to find common ground and understanding. Guide leaders toward reconciliation and hope. Teach us to respect our differences, seek compromise, and move beyond past divisions, that peace may take root among all people.

For guidance to cherish the Earth and care for every living thing. Help us to share your gifts with justice and compassion, so that all may have enough and nature may thrive.

The Community and Parish

Bless our local schools celebrating Harvest, filling our church with energy and joy.

Thank you for the families at Little Mick's — may they know joy, purpose, and fulfilment.

Bless our PCC and all who serve our church. Inspire us to share our gifts with joy and help our church grow in love and faith.

Guide our plans for better lighting — grant wisdom, good communication, and a swift, harmonious outcome.

The Ill and the Housebound

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

The Departed

Doreen Abbott, a friend of Keith Honour,
Catherine Roffey, Maggie Shrive's sister

Collect

God, our judge and saviour, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation which is given through Jesus Christ our Lord.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31.27-34

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord.

In those days they shall no longer say: The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the childrens teeth are set on edge. But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah.

It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt-a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, Know the Lord, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more

This is the word of the Lord.

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 3.14-4.5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully

This is the word of the Lord.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 17.11-19

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, Grant me justice against my opponent. For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming. And the Lord said, Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?

This is the Gospel of the Lord.