

Intercessions

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of Burundi

Diocese

✠✠Sarah, Archbishop of Canterbury, ✠ Andrew, Bishop of St Albans,
✠ Jane, Bishop of Hertford, and Charles, Archdeacon of St Albans

In our continuing prayers

Mary Beard, Christina Billington, Barbara Fisher, Stacy Giles, Yvonne Hart, Judith Hill, Barbara McKenna, Ghulam Mutaheer, Frozan Mutaheer, Ken Organ, Gwen Roberts, Neeta Thomson, Clare Wallington, Liz Wright

In our immediate prayers

Doug Billington, Patricia Cody, Graeme Davis, Mark Few, Peter Kirk, Peter Rolfe, Charlotte Szypryt, Sienna Vallance

RIP

Barbara Baggaley, Graeme Selkirk, Marion Muller, Gill Moore

Memorial (year's mind) Len Bennett, Antonia Freire Souza

✠ Funeral notices

Friday 16 October at 12:45 pm: Funeral of Barbara Baggaley

(Milton Chapel at Chilterns Crematorium)

Church notices

Saturday 17 October: Parish Pilgrimage to Aldbury

On Saturday 17th October there will be a pilgrimage to St John the Baptist's, Aldbury. We will begin with Midday Prayer at St Peter's and then walk to Aldbury via the Ashridge Estate. After a picnic lunch we will say Afternoon Prayer and then walk back to Berkhamsted via the canal and finish with Evening Prayer. Please speak to Fr Stuart if you're interested.

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Promises Auction

Thank you to everyone who made offers and bids at the Harvest Promise Auction last Sunday. We made **£540** for Christian Aid!

Christmas readers wanted

It's only October, but we are beginning to think about Christmas! (sorry!) If you would like to do a reading at one of our services for Advent or Christmas, **please fill in the online form in this week's Parish News email.** If you've not done a reading before, do please sign up - it's nice to have a wide range of voices reading in church. At Christmas, it's especially nice for our **young people** to do readings, so parents please encourage your child to take part! If you're nervous, Fr Stuart can help you to practise a reading. We are looking for readers for:



☞ www.stpetersberkhamsted.org.uk/news

Berkhamsted community news & events

TODAY: Berkhamsted Artisan Market

Handmade jewellery, gifts, crafts, wooden homewares, ceramics, sculpture and more. All stall fees go towards the Friends of St Peter's.

TODAY at 4:00 pm: Behind the Mirror concert

Silence & Humanity: an afternoon of intimate music in the Town Hall, with Cage's String Quartet in Four Parts and Beethoven's String Quartet no. 14. Tickets £25, under-18s free.

☞ www.behindthemirror.org

Tuesday 13 - Saturday 17 October: The Pepper Show 2026

Rock and pop hits at the DEMBE Theatre in Tring. In aid of the Pepper Foundation, a local charity that provides children's hospice at home care in Bucks & Herts. Tickets:

☞ www.pepper.org.uk

Wednesday 14 October at 8:00 pm: BLHMS talk: A History of Berkhamsted

Berkhamsted Local History & Museum Society are holding a talk in the Civic Centre on the History of Berkhamsted using unused photographs from the 1990 book *A Hertfordshire Valley* by Scott Hastie and David Spain. Visitors are always welcome @ £5 at the door.

☞ berkhamsted-history.org.uk/programme



Sunday 18 October at 4:00 pm: Alexander Ardakov piano recital

Works by Brahms, Debussy and Schumann in the Lady Chapel. Come to experience sublime music offered one of Britain's leading pianists. £15 on the door, under-18s free.

Saturday 31 October at 7:00 pm: The Berkhamsted Ball

Only three tables of 8 people are now remaining for Berkhamsted Castle Trust's fundraising black-tie ball! Dinner, live music and a Gala Charity Auction hosted by *Antiques Roadshow* experts John Bly and Eric Knowles. In aid of the Castle Fields Appeal. **Tickets £75 each.** Nash Hall, Berkhamsted Girls' School, Kings Road

☞ www.berkhamstedcastle.org.uk/events



Open mornings at Victoria School

Looking for a Reception or Nursery place for your child to start September 2027? Victoria School are holding open mornings for prospective families:

Friday 23 October at 9.15am

Thursday 3 December at 9.15am

Friday 6 November at 9.15am

Thursday 7 January at 9.15am

Friday 19 March 1.45pm-2.30pm - Nursery Stay and Play

Victoria also currently have spaces in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to start immediately.

☞ www.victoria.herts.sch.uk



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The Parish Church of
St Peter Great Berkhamsted

19th Sunday after Trinity

St Peter's Berkhamsted welcomes you

SUNDAY
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Today's services: 8:00am Eucharist
9:30am Sung Eucharist
6:00pm Choral Evensong

Music this week

Hymns: 473 When morning gilds the skies
459 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want
443 Rejoice, the Lord is King

Anthem: Rejoice in the Lord always Henry Purcell

Voluntary: Marche Triomphale - Alexandre Guilmant

At Choral Evensong tonight:

Responses: Rose **Hymns:** 394 Let all the world in every corner sing
Psalm: Psalm 106 (vv 1-12) **265** Lord of beauty, thine the splendour

Canticles: Aston in F

Anthem: For the fruits of his Creation - ASD

Voluntary: Trio Sonata no. 3 in d, 1st mvt - J.S. Bach

First reading: Isaiah 25.1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled. On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 23

(vv 1-6)

Everyone is invited to join in singing the response:



1 The Lord is my shepherd;
therefore can I lack nothing.
2 He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.
3 He shall refresh my soul and guide me in the
paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Response
4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow
of death, I will fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Response

5 You spread a table before me
in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil
and my cup shall be full.
Response
6 Surely goodness and loving mercy shall
follow me all the days of my life, and I will
dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Response

The Gospel: Matthew 22.1-14

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord be with you Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew
And also with you Glory to you, O Lord

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. 'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ



After this morning's service, do please join us for coffee in the Court House just opposite the church. Everyone is very welcome.

