



**St Mary the Virgin and All Saints
Potters Bar**

25th July 2010

The Feast of St James the Apostle

*A warm welcome to St Mary's,
especially if this is your first time here.*

We have a Family Room at the back of church, with toys & books, for parents to use with their children, if they so wish. Please stay to supervise your children – the service is relayed into the room. Thank you.

Do join us for refreshments after Parish Communion

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am **HOLY COMMUNION**

10.00am **PARISH COMMUNION**

Old Testament Reading: Jeremiah 45 vv 1-5 *This passage brings to mind Our Lord's command, which James certainly obeyed: "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth".*

New Testament Reading: Acts 11 v 27 – 12 v 2 *We read of the martyrdom of James, the son of Zebedee.*

Gospel: Matthew 20 vv 20-28 *The mother of James and John asks Jesus for a place of honour for her two sons in the Kingdom of Heaven.*

Hymns: 485, 345, 475, 307, 197

*Flowers have been arranged and donated this week
by Pat Biddlecombe*

The Week Ahead

**Tuesday St Anne & St Joachim, parents of the BVM
(transferred)**

9.30am Holy Communion

12 noon – 2.00pm "Knit and Natter" in St Michael's Chapel

**Thursday Mary, Martha & Lazarus, Companions of
Our Lord (transferred)**

9.30am Holy Communion

10.00am "Exploring the Faith"

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Next Sunday is the Ninth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am **PARISH COMMUNION**

Readings will be: Ecclesiastes 1 vv 2, 12-14; 2 vv 18-23; Colossians 3 vv 1-11 and Luke 12 vv 13-21.

If you are a UK taxpayer but not a member of our planned giving scheme, we would be grateful if you would use a yellow Gift Aid envelope for your collection. These envelopes are available from the sidesmen.

Parish Notices

A big thank you to the uniformed groups for their excellent presentation at last Sunday's Family Communion & for their display of materials & treasures, along with those loaned by older church members.

Exploring the Faith will take place on **Thursday** at 10.00am and 8.00pm. By request of one of the groups, we shall be considering the subject of Women Bishops, following recent events in General Synod at York.

Choir members Rebecca and James will be running a cake stall after Parish Communion **NEXT SUNDAY** in aid of the Hall Cooker Fund. We are grateful to them for this initiative. Cakes & biscuits will be available bagged to take home, and also individually so you can have one or two to 'try before you buy' with your tea or coffee.

The next lunchtime recital will be on **Tuesday 3rd August** at 12.30pm when we shall be joined by organists Nicholas King and Bridget Philpott. The usual lunches will be available from 12 noon.

Please make a note of the date of our **Holiday Evening** on **Saturday 28th August**. Further details to follow.

We are grateful to those who have already made a donation towards the purchase of a **new cooker** for the church hall and to those who have offered to run a small fund raising event. Further ideas and donations to the Cooker Fund would be gratefully received.

Watchers and Welcomers Please let Heather Hawkes know of any dates in September and October when you will be unavailable.

The Children's Society Time for collecting your boxes again! Please bring them to church or phone me on 850651. *Many thanks – Doreen Whittle*

For your prayers :

The Sick Mary Embleton, Hugh Wiggins, Donald Jones, Christine Moore, Peter Onley, Margaret Ross, Nicola Freeman, Rita, Alan Freed, Diana, Bernard Harlow, Brian Thornton, Debby & Sofia Warwick, Nancy Harris, Maria Allen, Sarah Johnson, Norman Dutton, Cecil Salfarlie

Those with long-term illness Nicola Stiff, Peter Twyman, Beryl Johnson, Stan, Ron Wilson, John Hines, Marjorie Zerbahs, Susan Carlyle, Susan Brown, Noreen Davies, baby Erin, Jack Zerbahs, Michelle Gomez, Clifford Brown

The recently departed Alfred McLoughlin, Stephen Everett, Liz Mungavan

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week Henry Butcher, Clara Summers, Charles Beauchamp, Fr Cyril Gray (Assistant Curate 1947-1951), Connie Cox, Albert Beland

Our parish We remember those who live in Heath Drive, Hermitage Court and Highfield Way

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*Items for next week's sheet to Richard Osborn (Tel: 07803 756088 / e-mail: rmosborn@hotmail.com) by Thursday
Please let Father Peter know about illnesses or any other emergencies affecting parishioners.*

THIS NEWS SHEET IS FOR YOU TO KEEP - PLEASE TAKE IT HOME WITH YOU