

Readings - 9 March 2008
Lent 5

Delith - Ezekiel 37.1-14
Mary - Romans 8.6-11
Thora - John 11.1-45

Welwyn & Villages Team Ministry Services

	St Mary's Welwyn	St Peter's Ayot St Peter	St Michael and All Angels Woolmer Green	All Saints Datchworth	St Peter's Tewin
1 st Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC 11.15am - NEFS	11.15am – M	11.15am - HC	9.30am - PC	9.30am – PC 6.30pm - ES
2 nd Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC 6.30pm - CES	11.15am – HCBCP	11.15am - NEFS	9.30am - PC	9.30am - PC
3 rd Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC	11.15am – HCBCP	11.15am - HC	9.30am - PC	9.30am – NEFS 6.30pm HC
4 th Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC 6.30pm - ES	11.15am – HCBCP	11.15am - HC	11.00am - NEFS	9.30am - PC
5 th Sunday	8am – SHC 9.30am – PC	11.15am – HCBCP	11.15am – HC	9.30am - PC	9.30am - PC

Key – CES = Choral Evensong ES = Evensong
HC = Holy Communion HCBCP = Holy Communion using Book of Common Prayer
SHC = Said Holy Communion M = Matins for all ages using the Book of Common Prayer
PC = Parish Communion NEFS = Family Service for all ages without Communion

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Please let Tony Charles (01438 817300) know if there is anything you would like inserted in next week's newsletter.

The information in this newsletter is also available on-line at
www.allsaintsdatchworth.info > weekly news

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**Welcome
to
All Saints
Datchworth's Parish Church**

Sunday 2 March 2008

Mothering Sunday

Parish Communion

Readings: 1 Samuel 1.20-28
Colossians 3.12-17
John 19.25-27

Collect: God of compassion, Whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever Amen.

Our altar is open to members of all denominations. If you do not wish to receive Communion please come to receive a blessing and certainly bring any children with you for a blessing.

DIARY FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sunday 2 March – 6.30pm / 7pm - Shortened Evensong followed by Lent Talks at St Mary's Welwyn – see below - **7.30pm to 9pm** - Welwyn Team Youth Group (14+) meets at New Church House, St Mary's Welwyn

Monday 3 March - 3pm to 4.30pm – Tea and coffee in the Church Hall with children's activities and a Traidcraft food stall every week. Please tell your friends – all welcome

Tuesday 4 March – 7.30pm – Datchworth Lent Group – see below

Wednesday 5 March – 8pm – PCC meets in the Church Hall

Thursday 6 March – 5pm – Evening Prayer at All Saints

Friday 7 March – 6.30pm to 8pm – Tweenagers meet in the Church Hall

Sunday 9 March – 9.30am – Parish Communion – **11am** – Monthly Church Walk - **6.30pm / 7pm** - Shortened Evensong followed by the final Lent Talk at St Mary's Welwyn – see below - **7.30pm to 9pm** - Welwyn Team Youth Group (14+) meets at New Church House, St Mary's Welwyn

We extend a very warm welcome - to all our visitors, especially visiting mothers and to Suzanne Underwood who is preaching at this morning's service.

Do stay for coffee and a chat in the hall after the service.

Church Walk - Next week is the second Sunday of the month and time for the next walk which will leave **from the Church Hall after the service at about 11am**. If anybody has any special requests for favourite walks could they let Malcolm or Margaret know - 01438 798686.

Ladies – Book lunchtime on **Saturday 29th March 2008 – 12 noon to 2.30pm at New Church House St Mary's Welwyn** - for the second Team Ladies Lunch. The speaker will be Sir Philip Mawer who is a local resident and at the end of 2007 after almost six years in post stepped down from serving as Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards. Lord Scarman is quoted as saying - "He is a very clever man and a very hard working man, with tremendous mastery of detail. He is a brilliant man in handling questions of principle." He will speak about "Serving the Crown, the Church, Parliament and the Prime Minister. We have 6 tickets available - £7 – first-come-first-served - from Anne Charles – 812098.

Would you like to register on our Church's Electoral Roll? Become a voting member of the Church of England and help to ensure that the Parochial Church Council (PCC) and other councils of the Church are fully representative of the people who worship. Members are entitled to attend and vote at the Annual Parochial

Church Meeting. Please contact Lynda Dent Tel: 01438 812156 Electoral Roll Officer - Email: lyndadent@allsaintsdatchworth.info

Continuing today Sunday 24th February 2008 a series of **Lent Talks** by Canon Iain Lane in St Mary's New Church House at 7pm, directly after a shortened form of Evensong. Iain's theme each week through Lent will be one of the incidents from the story of Holy Week, starting with the triumphal entry into Jerusalem and then the cleansing of the Temple, **THIS WEEK** - the Last Supper and final week next week - the Garden of Gethsemane. The text of the talks is / will be available on www.allsaintsdatchworth.info and in hard copy on the table at the back of the church.

The Lent Groups continue to meet during the week (**Datchworth on Tuesday evenings in the Church Hall at 7.30pm and beginning with a simple Lent Supper**) at to discuss the themes of the talks with the help of a range of resources: poetry, artwork, music and prose. If you are unable to make Tuesdays in Datchworth a list of when the other Lent Groups are meeting is on the notice boards.

Maundy Thursday 20th March 2008 at All Saints – Our service will start with a Passover Meal – for which we need approximate numbers – please let Anne Charles know if you will be coming – 812098.

Scare-Crows are returning – book the date – Sunday 1st June 2008 – Datchworth Open Gardens and Scare-Crow Festival.

This week we pray for –

- **The Most Revd Martin de Jesus Barahona Primate of IARCA & Bishop of El Salvador**
- **Our link parishes of St John's, Ha Simone, Lesotho and St Paul's Wheatley Park, Doncaster.**
- **Those living in Hooks Cross.**
- **Our PCC meeting this Wednesday.**
- **Those who have died or who are bereaved.**
- **Those who are ill or in need, their families and their carers, especially:-** Ann-Marie Barsby, Carole Bates, Ann Betts, Anne Dempsey, Emily Green, Jonathan Hawes, Frederick Hall, Michael Harris, Michael Hughes, Lorna Humphries, Margaret King, Alan Konyn, Roger Mahoney, Mary Morgan, Roy Morgan, Eleanor Nicholas, Frances Noble, Lily Rayner, Charlotte Smith, Ken Stoneman, Joan Wright and Abigail.

God of love, who in this sacrament feeds us with the food and drink of eternal life, even as a mother feeds her children at the breast: mercifully grant that we who have tasted thy goodness may grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.