

Readings - 8 March 2009
Lent 2 - Parish Communion

Mary - Genesis 17.1-7,15,16
Lynda D - Romans 4.13-25
Thora - Mark 8.31-38

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

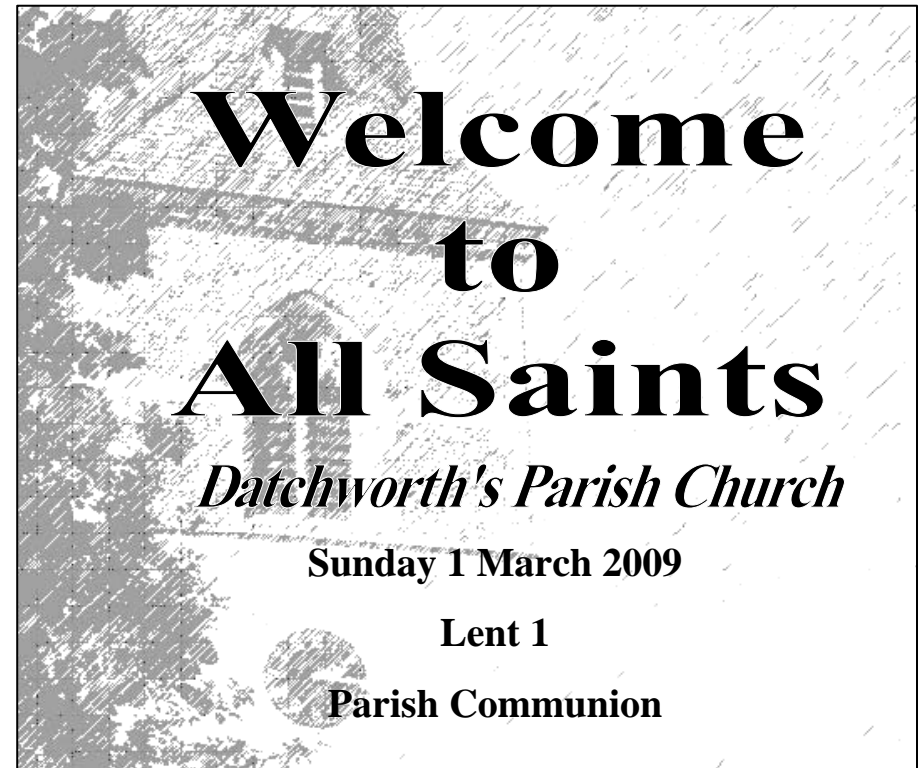
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Please let Tony Charles (01438 817300) know if there is anything you would like inserted in next week's newsletter.

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Readings: Genesis 9.8-17
Psalm 25.1-9
Mark 1.9-15

Collect: Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and
prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 1 March – 7.30pm to 9pm - Welwyn Team Youth Group (14+) meets at New Church House, St Mary's Welwyn

Monday 2 March – Coralie's day off - 3pm to 4.30pm – Tea and coffee in the Church Hall with children's activities - please tell your friends – all welcome

Tuesday 3 March – Prayer – 2pm at 17 Raffin Park

Thursday 5 March – 5pm – Evening Prayer at All Saints - **7pm** – Datchworth Lent Group – see below

Friday 6 March – 6.30pm to 8pm – Tweenagers meet in the Church Hall

Sunday 8 March - Lent 2 – 9.30am - Parish Communion – **6pm** - Gospel Chamber Choir Concert – see below - **7.30pm to 9pm** - Welwyn Team Youth Group (14+) meets at New Church House, St Mary's Welwyn

We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors and to Rev Stephen Fielding who is leading our worship this morning. **Do stay for coffee** and a chat in the hall after the service.

Lent Groups – The Datchworth group starts THIS WEEK on Thursday 5th March 2009. It will meet in the Church Hall on Thursday evenings during Lent at 7pm - by popular demand starting with supper. Please add your name to the list in the church porch so we have numbers for catering. This year's theme is 'Season of Renewal' which offers a gentle but challenging approach to Lent. The course itself is divided into six sessions. Each session includes creative and practical elements as well as a focus on scripture and some times of prayer. The course explores the work of the Holy Spirit in the life of the individual and the church. The spiritual search is not only for answers to intellectual questions, but for a transforming relationship with God. These studies start this week at various times and places in the Team Churches. For details please see the notice board in the church porch or www.allsaintsdatchworth.info and click on Weekly News and see the Church Calendar.

Gospel Chamber Choir Concert – Sunday 8th March 2009 at 6pm at All Saints - Lifted Voices Choir is a London based Gospel Chamber Choir of nine voices directed by the celebrated composer/musical director and pianist Alexander Douglas. Following regular successful performances at York University and many events throughout Yorkshire, Zamar were nominated as finalists alongside internationally known choirs such as The London Community Gospel Choir in the prestigious Gospel Choir of the Year competition. They also performed at Wembley Arena alongside Robin Gibb of the Bee Gees – a performance which included most

members of Lifted Voices. As members of the smaller Zamar 'Semi-Chorus' they performed a specially commissioned new work by Alexander Douglas called Songs of the Heart to wide acclaim in Manchester Cathedral as part of the Manchester Jazz Festival in 2005. It is in this chamber format that Lifted Voices, on realising they all now live in and around the London area, recently decided to renew their joyous and successful association. In preparation for a major concert in Bristol in late March we are lucky to have them perform a short programme of about 10 songs in All Saints Church on Sunday 8th March at 6pm. There will be no charge for the concert but a retiring collection will be taken to cover the choir's expenses with any excess going to the Church restoration fund. Lifted Voices includes local singer and musician Ian McCluskey.

Concert - Camerata Chamber Orchestra – Saturday 21st March 2009 at 8pm at All Saints - For details please see the notice board in the church porch or www.allsaintsdatchworth.info and click on Weekly News and see the Church Calendar.

Next Ladies Lunch – Saturday 4th April 2009 – Do book the date - For details please see www.allsaintsdatchworth.info and click on Weekly News and see the Church Calendar for 4th April.

Traidcraft Fortnight started on Monday 23rd February 2009 - goods available most Sundays in the Church Hall after the morning service – at other times they are available on request. Please leave a note if goods are taken from stock. If you would like to man our Traidcraft stall one Sunday a month please contact Anne Marshall – 813519 – your assistance would be most welcome to give her an occasional break.

This week we pray for –

- **The Revd Simon Fan - General Secretary, Missionary Area of Macau - (Hong Kong).**
- **Our link parishes of St John's, Ha Simone, Lesotho and St Paul's Wheatley Park, Doncaster.**
- **The people of Zimbabwe, especially John and Ketani Matiza and their 3 children Trust, Tatenda and Ratidzai in Harare.**
- **Those living in Hooks Cross.**
- **Those who have died or who are bereaved.**
- **Those who are ill or in need, their families and their carers, especially:-** Emily Green, Jonathan Hawes, Michael Harris, Michael Hughes, Ray Hughes, Lorna Humphries, Roger Mahoney, David Newnham, Frances Noble, Julia Perim, Laura Redmond, Eileen Shaw, Charlotte Smith, Sheila Stowe, Michael Taylor, Betty Williams, Pippa Winton and Abigail.

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord.