

WELCOME

It is good to welcome you to our church today. We hope that you enjoy the experience of worshipping with us.

If you are new to our service and find it difficult to follow, please ask the person next to you, who will be delighted to help. If you have questions about our worship, please ask Fr Michael the Vicar, Karen White, our Associate Priest, or Nigel or Fola, our Churchwardens after the service.

SUNDAY 17th August Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion

9:30 am Sung Eucharist - Common Worship

UPCOMING WEEK'S SERVICES AND EVENT

Mon - Thu	9:30 am	Morning Prayer
Mon - Thu	5:30 pm	Evening Prayer
Tue	1:30 pm	Funeral
Wed	10:00 am	CW Said Eucharist
Thu	11:30 am	Golden Geese - Picnic Event
Thu	2:00 pm	MU Summer of Hope Garden Party
Thu	3:15 pm	Confirmation Course
Sat	9:30 am	Morning Prayer
	3:30 pm	Wedding
	6:00 pm	Evening Prayer

SUNDAY 24th August Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sun 8:00 am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion

9:30 am Sung Eucharist – Common Worship

Friday - Vicar's Day of Rest

NOTICE AND SOCIAL EVENTS BOARD

Please do look at the notice board and the posters at the back of our Church and in the porch for events happening around the deanery and diocese and our local community which you may wish to attend for yourself, or as a representative on behalf of our parish.

Funeral details - Maureen Francis

Those of you who were privileged to know this lovely lady will have been saddened by her death on 3rd August, aged 91. A long-time member of Mother's Union, she could always be relied upon to provide cakes for

events, never without a smile and a helping hand. During COGS week she looked after the children's welfare, she was everyone's nan. Maureen was renowned for her "end-of-week celebratory cake", beautifully iced and different each year. The staff were always very grateful too for her assistance. Everyone loved Maureen. Her funeral will take place at Bentley Crematorium, Ongar Rd, Pilgrims Hatch, CM15 9RZ on Wednesday, 3rd September at 12.30pm. Afterwards at Downham Hall, Castledon Rd. Downham,CM11 1LG, 3.30pm. All are Welcome by the family. Donations to Saint Luke's Hospice, please see invitation for details.

- Jeanne

Celebrating Christ Church 60th birthday - Family Fun Afternoon

You are warmly invited to our Summer Fun Afternoon and BBQ on August Bank Holiday Monday to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of Christ Church. There will be lots of games, competitions, tug-o-war, Aikido demonstration, craft, BBQ, refreshments with lots of cakes! All welcome!

Mothers' Union 'Summer of Hope' Garden Party - 21st August

The Great Burstead, MU will be holding a garden party in the Vicarage garden on Thursday 21st August from 2pm. We will be raising funds for the MU Summer of Hope appeal that aims to nurture resilience and bring hope to families in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). All welcome.

- Jo Hall, Branch Leader

Barbecue in the Vicarage Garden

We will be holding a barbecue for our church families in the Vicarage garden on Saturday 30th August from 3pm. For catering purposes, please would you add your name to the sign up sheet at the back of church if you plan to attend. A contribution of a side dish, dessert, drink or monetary donation towards the cost of the meat would be welcomed, but not obligatory!

- Fr Michael and Jo

Men's and Women's Lunch

Please join us for Lunch at the Blue Boar in Billericay High Street on Friday 29th August 2025 at 12 noon. All are very welcome.

Mary and Mark (01277 750201)

QR code and online link for St Mary Magdalene, Great Burstead

Our mission and ministry can now be supported by people by using the QR code and online donation page for our church. Please use either the QR code or follow this link:



https://givealittle.co/c/6xC5vQ1W6MqmIPRjAvrFS0. Thank you.

A prayer for world peace God of peace and justice, we pray for world peace today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace, for discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

Amen.

We pray for all those in need, be it for sickness, bereavement, loneliness, depression, stress or anxiety. Remember if you need to talk contact your friends, or Fr Michael. Do not suffer alone.

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