



# Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 4th October-10th October 2026

## The Rev's Ramblings

There are few things that bring out our territorial instincts quite like parking!

Hemel, built from the 1950s, has streets and houses designed for when people didn't own many cars. Today, parking is a competitive sport. Someone parks inconsiderately and suddenly our convenience is threatened. A space we have never actually owned can somehow become *our* space. And then... war begins.

Matthew 21 includes a story about tenants who become too attached to what they have been given to look after. A landowner plants a vineyard and entrusts it to tenants while he is away. But eventually the tenants start behaving as though the vineyard is theirs. When the owner sends servants for the harvest, they beat them, kill some of them, and eventually even kill the owner's son.

Jesus uses the story to point towards himself as the Son of God, rejected and killed by those who should have recognised him.

The story makes me wonder about our own sense of ownership.

How much of what we call *mine* is actually mine? Am I just a steward/caretaker?

Even the world is less ours to possess than it is ours to care for. We cannot take our parking spaces with us when we die.

So when someone invades *our* space, perhaps we could take a breath before going to war and ask:  
**Is this really mine anyway?**

We are tenants, not ultimate owners.

And good tenants look after what they've been given—and try not to kill each other over the parking.

## Prayer focus this week

Pray for wisdom and lack of prejudice in decisions on planning permission for a local Mosque.

Locally pray for Cornergate Foundation – led by Kim Hobbs, a charity working in prisons and ex-prisoners.

## This week's other News



## Grovehill Church of the Resurrection supports the Farming Community Network

in its work to support UK Farmers and their families through the challenges of providing us with our daily food.

**SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER 11.15AM**

all collection and donations will support the work of the FCN.

Card Readers and Gift Aid Forms available.

## Dates for your Diary

**The Lectio Course - Week 2:**  
**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7:30pm-9pm**

**At St Alban's Church hall**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm-3:30pm**  
**At Grovehill Church hall**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October All Age Harvest Festival**  
**Collection for DENS.** See Needs List in church.

**4pm at St Alban's Church, Warners End**  
**Rev'd Austin's Licensing at St Alban's**  
A Service with the new Bishop of St Albans to commission Austin in his extended ministry at St Alban's Church. Refreshments afterwards.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October – FCN Harvest Appeal**  
For the Farming Community Network (FCN).  
Card readers and Gift Aid forms available.  
See poster.

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 1:30pm**  
**Messy Church** in church and hall.

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm**  
**Quiz Night** in the Community Centre  
Sign-Up sheet and tickets available in church.  
Card readers available. See poster on church Notice Boards and COR Facebook page.

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## SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK



### SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> October – Trinity 18

9:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH  
11:15am ANGLICAN HOLY COMMUNION with JUNIOR CHURCH and ON FACEBOOK

Readings this week: Psalm 80.1-18 Gospel Reading: Matthew 21.33-46

12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE  
3:30pm-4:30pm CAUSEWAY CHURCH IN CHURCH  
6:00pm-8:00pm ROMANIAN CHURCH SERVICE IN CHURCH



### MONDAY to FRIDAY

9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM\*

### TUESDAY and FRIDAY

9:00am - MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM\*

### TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> October

9:15am-11:35am DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR IN CHURCH  
10:00am-12noon CATHOLIC DISCUSSION GROUP IN CHURCH HALL  
7:30pm-9:00pm THE LECTIO COURSE - WEEK 2 AT ST ALBAN'S CHURCH HALL

### WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> October

12noon-1:00pm LADIES' BIBLE STUDY ON ZOOM  
7:30pm-9:00pm PCC MEETING IN CHURCH HALL



### THURSDAY 8<sup>th</sup> October

9:30am-11:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH  
1:00pm-2:45pm STICKY FINGERS TODDLER CHURCH IN CHURCH HALL



### FRIDAY 9<sup>th</sup> October

2:00pm-3:30pm THE LECTIO COURSE - WEEK 2 AT GROVEHILL CHURCH HALL

### SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> October

10:00am-12noon DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL  
2:00pm-3:00pm TUTORING IN CHURCH HALL

### Next SUNDAY 11<sup>th</sup> October – Trinity 19

9:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH  
11:15am ALL AGE HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE - COLLECTION FOR DENS and ON FACEBOOK  
Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:30pm approx.  
4:00pm REV'D AUSTIN'S LICENSING SERVICE WITH THE BISHOP OF ST ALBANS AT ST ALBAN'S CHURCH - REFRESHMENTS AFTERWARDS  
6:00pm-8:00pm ROMANIAN CHURCH SERVICE IN CHURCH

\* For all Zoom events, please send an email to [revaustin@sky.com](mailto:revaustin@sky.com) to receive an invite.

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