

Grovehill Church of the Resurrection

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Notice sheet for 6th September-12th September 2026

The Rev's Ramblings

Imagine a church meeting where someone says, "I think we have a problem..." and suddenly everyone sits up a little straighter, because obviously there's going to be drama!

Matthew 18.15-20 contains both the most and least helpful words Jesus gives us for sorting out conflict in a church.

The helpful bit is Jesus' wonderfully practical advice: start quietly and personally. If someone has upset you, go and talk to them. Don't put it on Facebook, don't tell twelve friends first, and probably don't begin with a carefully worded announcement in the Notices. Just go and talk.

And if that doesn't work, Jesus still offers a graceful next step: take another trusted person with you. Even then, it isn't a trial by crowd. No jury, no public shaming, and definitely no PowerPoint presentation entitled *Everything You Have Ever Done Wrong*.

But Jesus' words can be used by some as weapons—because we can assume that we are right, everyone else is wrong, and that God has personally appointed us to sort everybody else out.

Jesus says if nothing works, treat the person "like a Gentile or a tax collector"—people regarded as outsiders and unclean. But here's the twist: Jesus treated Gentiles, tax collectors and other "untouchables" with extraordinary love, welcome and inclusion. So this can hardly mean, "Get rid of the awkward people."

The final challenge while we are busy spotting the unclean speck in someone else's eye, is to check whether there's a plank sticking out of our own.

Prayer focus this week

Pray for all Conflict Mediators, in families, communities, between cultures and countries, that there may be healing and peaceful resolutions.

Locally pray for New Church Hemel – Gadebridge area.

This week's other News

24-7 PRAYER St Albans Church Warners End and Grovehill Church of the Resurrection are hosting...

the lectio course

How to Hear God by Praying the Bible

The Lectio Course is a 5-part series to help us learn to hear God through praying through the Bible. Each of the five sessions includes a short video, a discussion, and a practical activity for small groups to explore together. Both sessions are open to everyone.

ST ALBANS CHURCH	GROVEHILL CHURCH
TUESDAYS	FRIDAYS
7.30PM – 9PM	2PM – 3.30PM
29 TH SEPTEMBER	2 ND OCTOBER
6 TH OCTOBER	9 TH OCTOBER
13 TH OCTOBER	16 TH OCTOBER
20 TH OCTOBER	<u>NOT 23RD OCTOBER</u>
27 TH OCTOBER	30 TH OCTOBER
	6 TH NOVEMBER

For more information, contact Revd Austin – 01442 270585 or email revaustin@sky.com

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 12th September at 4pm
Cream Tea in church hall.

Tickets £10 in advance from John Haynes
Card Readers available.

NOTE: Liberty Tearooms CLOSED from:
16th September to 6th October 2026.

The Lectio Course for 5 weeks starting:
Tuesday 29th September at 7:30pm-9pm
At St Alban's Church

Friday 2nd October at 2pm-3:30pm
At Grovehill Church

See poster above for both churches and dates.

Sunday 11th October at 4pm
At St Alban's Church, Warners End
Rev'd Austin's Licensing at St Alban's
There will be a Service with the new Bishop of St Albans to commission Austin in his extended ministry at St Alban's Church.
There will be refreshments afterwards.

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SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING THE WEEK

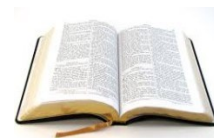


SUNDAY 6th September – Trinity 14

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

Readings this week: Psalm 119.33-40 Gospel Reading: Matthew 18.15-20

12noon REFRESHMENTS AFTER THE SERVICE
3:30pm-4:30pm CAUSEWAY CHURCH IN CHURCH



MONDAY to FRIDAY

9:30pm - NIGHT PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY and FRIDAY

9:00am - MORNING PRAYER ON ZOOM*

TUESDAY 8th September

9:15am-11:35am DACORUM COMMUNITY CHOIR IN CHURCH
10:00am-12noon CATHOLIC DISCUSSION GROUP IN CHURCH HALL

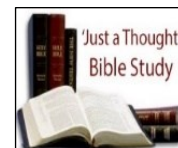
THURSDAY 10th September

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



FRIDAY 11th September

2:00pm-3:30pm 'JUST A THOUGHT' BIBLE STUDY IN CHURCH HALL



SATURDAY 12th September

10:00am-12noon DRINKS & DUNKABLES IN CHURCH HALL
2:00pm-3:00pm TUTORING IN CHURCH HALL
4:00pm CREAM TEA IN CHURCH HALL



Next SUNDAY 13th September – Trinity 15

9:00am CATHOLIC MASS IN CHURCH
11:00am ALL AGE SERVICE and ON FACEBOOK
Followed by Quiet Communion at 12:15pm approx.

* For all Zoom events, please send an email to revaustin@sky.com to receive an invite.

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