

SUNDAY 21ST JUNE 2026

10AM HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE (FORDHAM CHURCH)

Don't Show Favouritism in the Church Community

(James 1:26-2:13)



Leading: Nick Durlacher & Teaching: Francis Blight

9.35AM PRAYING FOR THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Join us to pray for the ministry of God's Word through his Spirit.

We meet by the pulpit. All Welcome.



10AM ALL SAINTS SUNDAY CLUB

Children and young people begin with their parents/carers in the main service. **Luke Group (4-11 years)** *Faith Prays (James 5:13-18)*

Matthew Group (11-16s) *The Race (Philippians)*

**YOU ARE INVITED TO STAY FOR
A DRINK AND CHAT AFTER THE SERVICE**



WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN

If you are new to All Saints Church, we are glad you have joined us today and hope you enjoy your time with us. You are invited to fill in the green **Welcome Card** so that we can be in touch to say 'hello'.

These are available from the table by the entrance.

TODAY'S TEACHING

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Praying for this week from James 1:26-2:13:

Heavenly Father, please help me to control my tongue, to care for those in need and to avoid worldliness.

Help me by your Holy Spirit not to discriminate in the church community on the basis of outward appearance. I thank you that you look at a person's heart, not their clothing.

Please help me to see the ways I fail to love my neighbour in the church family and show me how much I need your mercy and forgiveness.

LUNCHTIME PRAYER FOCUS THURSDAY 2ND JULY 12.30-2.00PM

Prayer with a lite lunch at the John Owen Barn. Join with your church family to pray together for the needs, mission and ministries of our church. Dan Gower from mission partner **Open Doors UK** will be helping us to pray for the international persecuted church.

Please let Mim Jelfs know if you plan to attend (01787 473422) so that she can organise the catering.



CHURCH DIARY

The Church Office will be closed from 22nd-26th June, due to staff holiday and will reopen on Tuesday 30th June, 9am-3.30pm

Francis will be away in London on Monday evening at an event for supporters of Oak Hill Theological College (who are one of our Mission Partners) and on Tuesday at the Proclamation Trust's Evangelical Ministry Assembly (EMA).

Monday 22nd June, 7.45pm **8:39 Course week #2**. Aella Gage and Kathryn Bond are running a seven week course on Romans 8, following on from Christianity Explored. There is space for one more person to join in. Contact Aëlla 07729 173504. Please pray for God's blessing on the participants and leaders.

Thursday 25th June 7.30 - 9.15pm **Baptism and Confirmation Prep** for Adults begins at the Rectory, Wood Lane.

Friday 26th June, **Community Hub Café** (10:00am-1:00pm) & **Post Office** (11:45am –1:45pm) at the John Owen Barn.



Friday 26th June, 7.30 - 9.00pm, **421 Youth Group for 11-18 year olds** (John Owen Barn). This will be the last 421 of the summer term with a **pizza bake off** social event. To book your place, please email Georgina by the end of Wed 24th June. georgina.blight@fordhamchurch.org.uk
<https://fordhamchurch.org.uk/421-youth-group/>

Next Sunday 28th June 10am **Explore Sunday** (Fordham Church). *God's Extraordinary Extravagance!* (Luke 15:11-32). Speaker: Aëlla Gage.

Much faith, little faith, no faith? We welcome all who want to explore the big questions of Life, God and the Bible. With the All Saints Sunday Club for children aged 4 -11 years. 11 - 18 year olds are invited to join in on the main service.



LOGOS HOPE VISITS LONDON SUNDAY 21ST JUNE - 5TH JULY.

Since Operation Mobilisation (OM) launched *Logos Hope* in 2009, nearly 11 million people have visited the ship. You are warmly invite to experience her history, stories and mission. You'll be able to meet the crew, participate in onboard events, enjoy the cafe, wander the bookfair and much more! The vision for the *Logos*



Hope's UK tour is to create a sense of encouragement and renewal of the UK Church's response to God's call to make Him known here and around the world. ExCeL Centre Waterfront, nearest tube - Custom House. Entrance Fee £1. Find out more:

<https://www.uk.om.org/logos-hope-uk-tour-2026>

or speak to Linda Stenner who previously served on an OM ship.

GIVING TO THE WORK OF ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN

If you would like details of how to support our church ministry financially, or you have any questions about giving, please speak to our treasurer Victoria Rolfe or send her an email victoria.emma.rolfe@gmail.com

Bank Account Name: "FORDHAM AND EAG PCC"

Sort Code 20-22-67 Account Number 20369047.

THIS CHURCH IS PART OF THE EBBSFLEET NETWORK: As part of the Church of England, we have passed a resolution requesting the extended spiritual and pastoral care of the Bishop of Ebbsfleet, Rt Rev Dr Rob Munro. Bishop Rob supports churches who have requested their Diocesan Bishop to provide for their evangelical and complementarian convictions - that is their commitment to the authority of the Bible, to direct the life of the Church and express the equal but different roles of men and women in family and Church.

<https://www.bishopofebbsfleet.org>

SAFEGUARDING: We, as a church, are committed to safeguarding children, young people, victims/perpetrators of domestic abuse and vulnerable adults. The PCC has adopted the Church of England's policies and best practice on safeguarding which may be found on the Church of England's website: <https://www.chelmsford.anglican.org>

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) is Ann Rolfe who can be contacted on 07968 087726, ann.rolfe@fordhamchurch.org.uk

FIRE EVACUATION: In the event of a fire, leave via fire exits and gather at the fire assembly point: Eight Ash Green - car park, Fordham Church - lawn outside Fordham Hall,

John Owen Barn - field **MUSIC COPYRIGHT:** CCLI Licence No. 287994

ALL SAINTS FORDHAM & EIGHT ASH GREEN ASSOCIATE PASTOR ANNOUNCEMENT

Last Sunday 14th June, it was announced that the PCC has appointed **Rev'd Aella Gage** as our new Associate Pastor. Francis and the PCC are delighted that he is going to join the church staff team with the plan for his contract to begin in August.



The wardens and Rector met with the bishop of Ebbsfleet Rob Munro last year to seek his input and advice on a fledgling Associate recruitment plan. The PCC's thanks go to everyone who then pledged financial support which enabled us to move forward with a recruitment process. During 2026, the PCC has been working through the stages of our diocese's safer recruitment process leading to advertising the post followed by interview last month. The interview panel was made up of: Rev'd Francis Blight, Mary Durlacher, Grace Lee & Rev'd Dick Farr (representing Bishop Rob Munro). The panel were unanimous in their decision to offer the post to Aella. We then worked through the pre-appointment check before announcing his appointment.

The post advertised didn't require applicants to be ordained clergy, so it is an extra gift that Aella is both ordained and has Permission to Officiate (PTO) in the diocese of Chelmsford. Aella will be working five days a week for our church and continuing his current work with Hammonds for one day a week. The post is for three years and is subject to a six-month probationary period.

Aella is married to Liza. They have been part of the FEAG church family since 2022 and during this time, Aella has been serving with periodic preaching and running Explore courses. Aella was previously the Associate Minister at FEAG from 2010 - 2014. They have three adult children: Amelia, Jack and Tom. As Aella begins across the autumn, we aren't looking to start lots of new initiatives, but rather to consolidate and strengthen the Sunday services and existing ministries. A significant part of Aella's role will be to lead the weekly 421 youth group. About 30 young people aged 11-18 attend 421 at present. Please pray for him as he prepares to begin.