

**SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2026**

**10AM HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE (FORDHAM CHURCH)**

*The Weight of Glory, The Command to Love*  
*(John 13:31-14:4)*



Worship Prayer Bible Teaching Community

Leading: Roger Miles & Teaching: Aëlla Gage.

**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.

**10:00AM ALL SAINTS SUNDAY CLUB**

**Luke Group (4-11s)** *Thankful to God (Psalm 104)*

**Matthew Group (11-16s)** *Jesus and the Centurion (Matthew 8)*

A play creche is available for parents to use with 0 - 3s.

**YOU ARE ALL WARMLY INVITED TO STAY FOR  
REFRESHMENTS & 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**  
The Weight of God's Glory  
John 13:31-14:4 page 1082



*Intro...*

Displayed supremely in the shame of Christ's cross v31-32

Reflected magnetically in our Christ like love v34

**THE SILVANUS QUARTET PERFORM  
NORDIC DANCES & STRING QUARTETS - FORDHAM CHURCH**

We are delighted to be hosting an evening of the **Roman River Music Festival 2026 on Wednesday 21st October, 7pm.**

Artistic Director Orlando Jopling, Wild Arts Leader Ellie Corr, and friends perform music by Beethoven, Britten, and Rebecca Clarke alongside vibrant Nordic folk arrangements by the Danish String Quartet. Doors open at 6.30pm. Tickets £20 - £40 (£15 for under 30s). Tickets now available <https://wildarts.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173681464>

## CHURCH DIARY

Tuesday 22nd September, 9:15 - 11am **Babies and Toddlers** (John Owen Barn). Play, snack, Bible story and song time. £3.00 suggested donation. Contact Georgina Blight for further details.

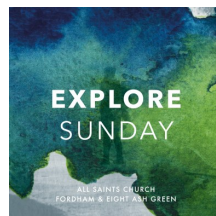


Friday 25th September, **Community Hub Café** (10:00am-1:00pm) & **Post Office** (11:45am-1:45pm) at the John Owen Barn.



Friday 25th September, 7.30 - 9.00pm, **421 Youth Group for 11-18 year olds** (John Owen Barn). Table games, team games, craft, tuck shop, Bible teaching, discussion and prayer. Contact Aëlla Gage for further details <https://fordhamchurch.org.uk/421-youth-group/>

Next Sunday 27th September 10am **Explore Sunday** (Fordham Church) *Tales of the Unexpected: Jesus Chooses the Wrong Person!* (Luke 19:1-10) with Francis Blight leading & Aëlla Gage preaching. The All Saints Club will be running groups for 4 -16 year olds and a play creche for parents of little ones to make use of.



Sunday 11th October, 10am (**Fordham Church**) **All Age Harvest Thanksgiving Service**. There will be a **family harvest lunch** in JOB following the service to which everyone is warmly invited and encouraged to attend. In order to help with catering, please complete the sign up sheet at the back of the church or contact Lynda directly [lyndagrote54@gmail.com](mailto:lyndagrote54@gmail.com) or text 07989688710 providing details of any food allergies and offers of help. Menu - jacket potatoes with ham (or cheese for vegetarians) and salads, followed by apple pie and cream or ice-cream. There will be an opportunity for donations on the day to help with the cost. During the service we will be collecting items for the **Colchester Foodbank**.

**EXPLORE SUNDAY  
27TH SEPTEMBER 10AM  
(FORDHAM CHURCH)**

*Tales of the Unexpected:  
Jesus Chooses the Wrong Person!*



Often in news headlines or on social media we hear stories about the wrong kind of people being marginalized or the wrong kind of people moving into the neighbourhood or being allowed into the UK. This can worry us, sometimes anger us and often dishearten us as people seem so divided. But there is hope. We would love to invite you to join us at church as we explore the question, '*What happened when the wrong person met Jesus?*' This story is full of surprises and a love so out of this world it can still transform lives, families, whole communities today. So turn off that news and join us for some hope, friendship and great coffee. Everyone is welcome!

**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](mailto: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. We were delighted to Bishop Rob with us for last Sunday's baptism and confirmation service. He 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 this website: <https://www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding/national-safeguarding-standards> Our Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) is Ann Rolfe who can be contacted on 07968 087726, [ann.rolfe@fordhamchurch.org.uk](mailto: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

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