

SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2026

10AM EXPLORE SUNDAY (FORDHAM CHURCH)

Tales of the Unexpected: Jesus Chooses the Wrong Person!
(Luke 19:1-10)



Worship Prayer Bible Teaching Community

Leading: Francis Blight & Teaching: Aëlla Gage.



10:00AM ALL SAINTS SUNDAY CLUB

Luke Group (4-11s) *Safe with God (Psalm 57)*

Matthew Group (11-16s) *Jesus and the Canaanite Women (Matthew 19)*

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 for Explore Sunday and hope you enjoy your time with us. You are invited to fill in a 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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THE SILVANUS QUARTET PERFORM

NORDIC DANCES & STRING QUARTETS IN FORDHAM CHURCH

We are 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

Monday 28th & Tuesday 29th September **ReNew Conference 2026**. Francis will be away with Nick & Mary Durlacher for the annual ReNew conference in Nottingham. The theme is *Lord, Teach Us To Pray*. Please pray for a fruitful time as they connect with our ReNew constituency in Chelmsford Diocese and across England. ReNew is one of our 12 mission partners.

Tuesday 29th 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.

Thursday 1st October 12.30-2.00pm **October Lunchtime Prayer Focus**. 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. Please let Mim Jelfs know if you plan to attend (01787 473422) so that she can organise the lunch.



Friday 2nd October, **Community Hub Café** (10:00am-1:00pm) & **Post Office** (11:45am-1:45pm) at the John Owen Barn.

Friday 2nd October, 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 4th October, the **Jesus on the Eve of the Cross** series continues with ***How Can We Know the Way to God the Father?*** (John 14:1-11). 10am **Morning Worship Service** (TBC). 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. 11.30am **Holy Communion Service** (Eight Ash Green).

Are you new to FEAG Church? Would you like to join a **Welcome Growth Group?** We have a couple of spaces in a new group which is run by Aëlla Gage, Kathryn Bond and Bill Kagiri. It meets on Thursday evenings at Aëlla and Liza's house. Please contact the church office if you are interested.



HARVEST ALL AGE THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Sunday 11th October, 10am (Fordham Church)

You are invited to bring items to the service for the **Colchester Foodbank** and our own **Church Pantry**. 80% will go to the foodbank and 20% to the pantry. Click this link for a list of items that the Foodbank need <https://colchester.foodbank.org.uk/support-us/donate-food>

There will be a **Family Harvest Lunch** in John Owen Barn after 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 or text 07989 688710 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.

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. 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

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