

## ST ALBAN'S ECO CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

### We hope you will help ST ALBAN'S GO FOR BRONZE IN 2024

### Please see more about ECO CHURCH in Octobers Church Magazine

Here's how you can help in the month of September.

- **With Prayer**

Dear Lord, in this month of September we pray for the care of creation. In Genesis 'God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was good'. Guide and inspire us to preserve and cherish your wonderful creation. Help us to work to safeguard the earth for future generations. Instil in us a deep and loving appreciation for all living creatures. Help us to promote conservation efforts and fill our hearts with compassion, help guide our hands to restore your creation. Bless all efforts to preserve the natural world that you have so lovingly gifted to us. AMEN

- **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Let's eat together – why not join us at our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 10-12pm . What better food is there to share with one another than CAKE mmm yummy.



- **Join in our Harvest Festival**

Our Harvest Festival Service is at 10.30am on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Join us in thanking God for all the food we eat and the people that provide it for us. Also help us to provide for those who have less than we do. Please bring nonperishable items such as pasta, sugar, juice, tea, coffee, tinned foods, toothpaste, soap, etc.

- **Bug Hotel**

Help us to collect items to build a bug hotel in the church grounds we need – fallen leaves, bamboo canes, pinecones, old roof tiles, old terracotta plant pots and bricks with holes in them. Let us know if you have the items and we'll come to collect them.

Also if you have any nesting boxes.

In church we have the following recycling collection boxes

- Used Stamps – collected for the RNIB please cut around each stamp leaving a 1cm square of envelope surrounding the stamp.



- Used Batteries
- Plastic bags with this logo
- Empty Tablet packs



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## **SEPTEMBER ECO TIPS**

Green your home this Autumn. Tackle climate change and reduce your heating bill by testing how draughty or leaky your home is.

Find the gaps that let the cold air in and warm air out (think keyholes, letterboxes, gaps around the edges or bottoms of windows and doors, loft hatches, floorboards etc.) and fix these gaps using the correct materials: ask for advice of friends/family/Tony or David G at church.

Now is also a very good time to prepare for winter by placing tinfoil or radiator panels between the outside wall and radiator, as these will help reflect heat back into your room during the colder months.

Keeping curtains closed when night falls will help keep the warm inside you home. Keep doors closed. Turn down radiators in unused rooms.

If you have any queries about ECO CHURCH please speak to Janet