



St Michael and St Mary

Information for the week beginning 17th November 2019

Twenty Second Sunday after Trinity

- 8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (St Michael's)
- 9.30 a.m. Parish Communion (St Michael's)
- 6.00 p.m. Evensong (St Mary's)

Contacts

Key information is available on <http://www.stmichaels-parishchurch.org.uk/> or via the Parish Office: 01727 835037 (9.00 a.m.–12.00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday)

Resources for today's 9.30am service

Children's groups are running in the Parish Centre and school. The children's corner in the North Aisle contains themed-worksheets, books and toys. Parents please remain responsible for your children in this space. If your child needs time-out or privacy (e.g. nappy change) the Tower Room is available and has sound relay of the service.

Today's readings are:

1 Chronicles 29: 10 - 14 (p. 361 in the Old Testament section of the pew Bibles)

2 Corinthians 9: 6 - 12 (p. 170 in the New Testament section of the pew Bibles)

Luke 20: 45 to 21: 4 (p. 79 in the New Testament section of the pew Bibles)

... and will be read by Bob May and, representing Stewardship Committee, Kevin Keenan

Prayers will be led by Susanna May

During communion the choir will sing:

Thee we adore, O hidden Saviour, thee,
Who in thy Sacrament art pleased to be;
Both flesh and spirit in thy presence fail,
Yet here thy presence we devoutly hail.

O blest memorial of our dying Lord,
Who living bread to men doth here afford!
O may our souls for ever feed on thee,
And thou, O Christ, for ever precious be.

Fountain of goodness, Jesu, Lord and God,
Cleanse us, unclean, with thy most cleansing blood;
Increase our faith and love, that we may know
The hope and peace which from thy presence flow.

O Christ, whom now beneath a veil we see,
May what we thirst for soon our portion be,
To gaze on thee unveiled, and see thy face,
The vision of thy glory and thy grace.

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Words: St Thomas Aquinas 1227-74 tr. James Woodford 1820-85

Toilets are available in the Parish Centre at the east end of the churchyard.

Please stay for refreshments after the service in the Parish Centre.

Week beginning Sunday, 17th November 2019

Kenneth is working away from his desk for much of this week, and asks that you bear with him if it takes longer for him to respond to enquiries.

Monday	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (St Michael's)
Tuesday	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (St Michael's)
Wednesday	9.00 a.m.	School Service (St Michael's)
	10.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (St Michael's)
	8.00 p.m.	'Stories from the Land' see the back page for more information (Parish Centre)
Thursday	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (St Michael's)
	from 7.30 p.m.	Ladies' Night (Portland Arms)
Friday	9.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer (St Michael's)
	12.00 p.m.	Funeral of the late Joyce Wells (St Michael's)
	7.45 p.m.	Choir Practice (St Michael's)
Saturday	5.30 p.m.	IOF Harpsichord Concert (St Michael's)

Next Sunday: 24th November 2019 - Christ the King

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion (St Michael's)
9.30 a.m.	Parish Communion (St Michael's)
6.00 p.m.	Evensong (St Mary's)

... and for reflection, next Sunday's readings will be

Jeremiah 23: 1 - 6
Colossians 1: 11 - 20
Luke 23: 33 - 43

Please remember in your prayers

those who are ill

Jacqui Follett
Jo Frost
Debbie Greenwood
Helen Huson
Rachael Hymas
Beryl Milnes
Alice Reardon
Cora Marie Varshney
Barbara Woodward

those who mourn the death of

Victor Bowman
Peter Troy
Joyce Wells

Notices

20th November: 8.00-9.30pm in the Parish Centre. Stories from the Land: Christian thinking about housing and planning. Please join us for an evening with Charles King who will be drawing on his previous career, and providing an in-depth study of the topic undertaken during his theological training.

Ladies' night at The Portland Arms will take place on **Thursday 21st November** and this time there will be the opportunity to have a meal. We shall meet from 7.30 p.m. with food being served at about 8.00 p.m. Please contact **Bronwen Parr** on 864645 or bronwenparr@hotmail.com if you would like a menu to pre-order food. Ladies wanting to come along for drinks only are also very welcome.

Traidcraft Update There will be a Traidcraft stall to sell the jewellery and other items in stock, in the Parish Centre on **24th November** at 10.30 a.m. If you wish to order specific items for that date, please look at the on-line catalogue (traidcraft.co.uk) and let Val Chiesa have your order by **14th November** (chiesa@btinternet.com or 07917 184021). There will be a paper catalogue to look at on 24th November if you wish to order goods after 14th November.

Peter Lindeman will be hosting our second **Eco Green Evening on 28th November at 7.45pm in the Parish Centre** where we will discuss not only preparing for a Green Christmas, but also celebrate the successes we have had as a church and community in reducing water usage, plastic reduction, and potentially lowering our church's and personal environmental impact.

30th November: 12.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. Christmas Fair at St Michael's School. The fair will take place at the Top School and in the classrooms. All are welcome.

Share community, save time, support charity! Following its success last year, there will again be a **Christmas card tree** in St Michael's **from the beginning of December**, together with labels made from old Christmas cards on which worshippers and visitors will be encouraged to write a message to the whole congregation. Money saved might be donated to your favourite charity, if you wish!

Exploring Christianity. At least once a year we run a small group for adults to look at the major building blocks of Christianity. Those who do this course may wish to proceed to Confirmation in the Cathedral next Easter. Six one-hour sessions; venue and timings to suit participants. Please make contact if interested: kennethpadley@gmail.com I do not anticipate sufficient demand for a teenage Confirmation group this year but, once again, do get in touch if you want to discuss. In a related vein, I am occasionally asked by those who are already confirmed about whether I run a refresher course! Charles and I look forward to making such provision during Lent next year - watch this space for more info.
Kenneth

Music planning: January to April 2020. Kenneth, Colin and Charles will soon be meeting to discuss and decide the service hymns and music for next term. We cannot undertake this work by committee; but if you would like to observe the process, we happily welcome you to join us in St Michael's choir vestry at 9.30am on **Monday, 2nd December**. Please indicate intent in advance so that we can gauge numbers for papers and refreshments: kennethpadley@gmail.com