



This Week

Morning Prayer 8:45am Monday – Friday

Monday	10:15am	Wardens' meeting, WCC CH
Tuesday	11am	Staff meeting, WCC CH
Wednesday	10am 10:45am	Holy Communion Tiny Tots
Thursday		
Friday		
Saturday	9:30am 10am 11:30am	Prayers for our community Wardens' meeting, WCC CH Interviews for Banns and Weddings (by appointment only)
Next Sunday	8am 10am 3pm	Holy Communion, Lady Chapel Parish Communion Holiday Bible Week Commissioning Service, Bishops Stortford College Pre-Prep School No service at 11:15am or 6pm

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it's an important part of our Outreach!



Newsletter

Sunday 28th July 2019 Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8am • Holy Communion, Lady Chapel
10am • Parish Communion
12:30pm • Holy Baptism
No service at 6pm

Prayer Ministry. There is an opportunity for personal prayer; for giving thanks, for healing or for other matters at the end of the 10am service. Please go to the Lady Chapel where two members of the church will be available to pray with you. Remember that if you are ill **in hospital or at home** and you would like a member of the ministry team to visit you please contact the Parish Office.

Large Print Versions of this newsletter, the Sunday readings, the service and the hymn book are available from the Welcome Desk.

We welcome all visitors to our services today. Please make yourself known to the clergy and those at the Welcome Desk. Tea and fresh coffee is served in the Windhill Churches Centre after the 10am service to provide visitors and regular members of the congregation with an opportunity to get to know each other better. Leaflets are available in the Publicity Area providing information about many aspects of church life.

School Signing-in Book – Please sign the register at the Welcome Desk if looking to apply for school admissions under church attendance categories.

*Gift Aid is vital to the funding of St Michael's Church.
If you are a taxpayer, please place your offering in a completed
Gift Aid envelope and place it in the Collection. Many thanks.*

Charity Registration Number 1130646

Please turn off and do not use your mobile phones and other electronic devices during our services. Thank you very much.

**For the latest news and information, please visit our website:
www.saintmichaelweb.org.uk**



Notices

Today:

Junior Church returns on 8th September. In the meantime, we have prepared some fun activity sheets for children to enjoy, should they wish, during the services. The sheets, plus a box of glues, pencils, scissors and plain paper are available at the back of the church. (Please return the stationery items to the box afterwards). The Footprints sheets relate to the Gospel reading each Sunday so we'll tuck the Sunday reading sheet in too; do help your child to follow the Gospel as it is read! There is still a quiet space for the older children / staffed crèche for young ones behind the screen doors each Sunday.

At 12:30pm we celebrate the Baptism of Danny Coomber.

There will be no 6pm service until 8th September when Evensong will resume.

No parking in the Churchyard – This applies from Monday to Friday, other than dropping off disabled parishioners, and is due to five year maintenance work on the church building. Our builders have almost finished this work but will be commencing the break-in repairs shortly. Thank you for your patience.

Working Party, Saturday 10th August – Meet at the church at 10am and help spruce up the church and churchyard. We'll be working until 12noon but any time you can spare will be most welcome. Refreshments served.

Mums of St Michael's Prayer & Fellowship Group, WCC – We're taking a break for the summer but will be back on **Friday 13th September**. Coffee from 9am.

Exploring Prayer Day, Saturday 14th September, Albury – Workshops, resources for different styles of prayer, corporate worship, and space to enjoy your own contemplation. More details in due course but save the date now!

The Friends' Outing, Saturday 21st September – This year we're going to Bury St Edmunds: to St Edmundsbury Cathedral. We will travel by coach (8:15am from Sainsbury's Thorley and 8:30am from St Michael's) and have a guided tour on arrival. The rest of the time, you'll be free to enjoy the day and all the attractions available, back in Bishop's Stortford at about 6pm. Sign up in the Publicity Area in church or contact Rob (robertklincke@gmail.com / 833523).

Anointing and laying on of hands – At the 10am service on **Wednesday 18th September** we will offer anointing and laying on of hands for healing.

Lunch Bunch – For those who would like to be involved in a scheme to support local families with lunches at Holy Trinity and the Methodist Church in these school holidays, do see the poster in the Publicity Area.

Books to read – There are a number of devotional/spiritual in the glass bookcases at the back of the church. Please feel free to borrow them.

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For visitors to St Michael's, a new way of giving – We have a new text messaging giving account. It will accept donations from £2 to £20. Text **STMIC** followed by any amount between **2** and **20** to **70085**. Try it, it works quickly and easily! Many thanks!

Guide to Holy Communion – Copies of this useful guide, written by Derek, are freely available to members of the congregation. Please help yourself. They can be found in the Publicity Area.

Appointment of Headteacher – St Michael's School is delighted to announce the appointment of Mrs Joanne Fradd as Headteacher from September. We invite the church family to pray for her and our school community. Mrs Fradd will be joining us to participate in Parish Praise on 1st September – an opportunity to pray with her and for her at the start of term.

Divine Loves – David Arkell has written a poetry collection; all proceeds to the Bible Society. See the notices page on the website for more information and an excerpt! (£5 each from him or £6.50 with post and packing).

Thefts – Sadly we have been the victim of thefts from the Parish post trays/offertory box once again. Please do not place anything of value (including greetings cards) in the trays. We are fortunate to have CCTV and identify culprits but only after the event.

Bishops Stortford Foodbank seek a new Secretary from September – The position is voluntary, but we serve good cups of tea and there are always plenty of biscuits! The Trustees meet 4-5 times a year, and our Secretary works in partnership with our Chairman to: prepare an agenda; take notes at meetings; present minutes etc. They will need to be well organised and IT literate. It's a great way to serve the local community and help those who are suffering from food poverty. If you are able to spare a few hours and are interested in joining the Foodbank team, please contact bill.macdonald@hotmail.co.uk

Employing a Families Minister – We sent out an email to all church members this week to update them on the work being done on this exciting project and to see what support there might be for specific giving towards the employment of a Families Minister. This information will be really helpful - as it will affect the salary and hours we are able to fund. Follow this link to see the update: saintmichaelweb.org.uk/Articles/542984/Education_Group.aspx

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