



This Week

Morning Prayer 8:45am Monday – Friday

Monday	10am	Craft Group, WCC CH
Tuesday	2-3:30pm	Meeting, WCC1/2
Wednesday	10am 10:45am 8-10pm	Holy Communion Tiny Tots Bishop's Stortford Climate Group meeting, WCC1
Thursday	9:45am	Church Home Group, WCC CH
Friday	9:15am 6:20pm 7:30pm	Organ Tuning, tbc Junior Choir rehearsal Choir rehearsal
Saturday	9:30am 10am 10am-12noon 12:30-6pm	Prayers for our community Interviews for Banns and Weddings (by appointment only) Flower arranging for Harvest Choir Festival for Bishop's Stortford Choirs
Next Sunday	8am 10am	Holy Communion, Lady Chapel Parish Praise
Harvest Festival	11:15am 12:45pm 5pm	Sung Eucharist with the Choir Harvest Lunch, WCC CH Bridge Youth Church at St Michael's Church

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www.saintmichaelweb.org.uk



Newsletter

Sunday 29th September 2019 Michael and All Angels

8am • Holy Communion, Lady Chapel
10am • Parish Communion
with celebratory cake and refreshments afterwards in the WCC
6pm • Songs of Praise service
followed by refreshments

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.



Notices

Today, on our Patronal Festival:

The Choir anthem at our 10am service is 'Give us the wings of faith' (Bullock).

Also at the service we will make a number of Surplice and Medal awards to our Treble Choir members, in recognition of their musical achievements.

Please join us for refreshments in the WCC after the service; with our thanks to Daphne Birchmore for the beautiful cake.

At 6pm we have a special Songs of Praise service including popular hymns chosen by members of the congregation, who will share their significance to their faith and lives. All welcome. Refreshments in church afterwards, with thanks to the Friends of St Michael's.

Parking in the Churchyard – Please be aware that the churchyard is needed intermittently for workmen attending to repairs, so parking is not always available.

Harvest – Next Sunday, 6th October, we will celebrate harvest at 8am, 10am and 11:15am services. There will be a Red Bucket for the Bishop's Appeal, *Light up Tanzania*: bringing solar electricity to the poor and isolated rural communities of the Singida region. Food gifts for Bishop's Stortford Foodbank.

The Social Committee invite you to a **Harvest Lunch in the WCC at 12:45pm**. (Cottage Pie and Dessert £5) Please sign the list at the back of church noting any dietary requirements. We ask you to bring your own drinks and glasses and we look forward to seeing you! Pam J-C 504012 or Sarah White 654031

'Connect' Discussion Group & Bridge Youth Alpha, next on 13th October – Every 2nd and 4th Sunday in term time from 7:30-9pm at Thirst Café. It's a fantastic opportunity for young people to learn more so we encourage you to come along, especially if you don't attend Bridge already. And come along even if you can't make all the weeks: even one session is better than missing out on the whole thing!

Mums of St Michael's Prayer & Fellowship Group, WCC – Being a mum can be tough. Trade anxiety for hope, joy and peace in a friendly, prayerful environment. Next meeting on **Friday 11th October**. Coffee at 9am; 9:15 start.

Anointing and laying on of hands – At the 10am Parish Communion service on **Sunday 20th October** and at the 10am Holy Communion on **Wednesday 20th November** we will offer anointing and laying on of hands for healing.

Confirmation Service at All Saints, 7:30pm, Wednesday 23rd October – We are running some informal preparation sessions after Tiny Tots on Wednesdays from 11:15am-12 noon. Please come along or speak to Derwyn for details.

First Holy Communion – If you'd like to find out more about preparation for Holy Communion, for baptised young people aged 8+, do have a chat with the Vicar.

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A few dates for your diary – On **Sunday 3rd November** we will celebrate Holy Communion at 8am, All Age Communion at 10am, Choral Matins at 11:15am and our service of Commemoration of All Souls at 4pm. Then on **Sunday 10th November**, we have Holy Communion at 8am, Parish Communion for Remembrance Sunday at 10am, and a special Taizé Service at 6pm. More details in due course.

Thanksgiving for Rob's Reader Ministry, Sunday 17th November – As Rob 'retires' from licensed ministry and receives his Permission to Officiate, we have the opportunity to mark this with him at the 10am Parish Communion.

Visit to Rochester Dickensian Christmas Fair, Saturday 30th November – We now have enough seats booked to go ahead and so if you can now pay the £20 cash to me, in person, you will receive your booking confirmation and more information! Many thanks, Rosemary.

Employing a Families Minister – We emailed church members recently, to update you on this exciting project and to see what support there might be for specific giving towards the employment of a Families Minister. Thank you to those who have indicated interest! This information will be really helpful - as it will affect the salary and hours we are able to fund.

Update: saintmichaelweb.org.uk/Articles/542984/Education_Group.aspx

Church Membership - We are trying to keep up-to-date details of all members of St Michael's on our Church management system. If you've completed a data collection form in the last 12 months, then your details are on the system already. If you joined St Michael's more recently and have not completed a form, please complete one today, so that we have up-to-date details for you. Forms are available in the Publicity Area and completed forms should be placed in the black box. Any questions, please speak to Roger Sudbury or email him at roger.sudbury@gmail.com

Sunday Rotas – The new rota was distributed recently. If you are scheduled for prayers or to read, the applicable reading sheet(s) is in your pigeonhole. Please note the date carefully in your diary. If you have a new email address or have not received a copy of the new rota, please contact Katharine in the office on 654416.

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