



This Week

Morning Prayer 8:45am Monday – Friday

Monday

Tuesday 8pm Charities Support Group meeting, WCC1
8pm Alpha 4 Home Group, 14 Marshbarns

Wednesday 10am Holy Communion
10:45am Tiny Tots
12noon School rehearsal
6pm School Concert

Thursday

Friday

Saturday 9:30am Prayers for our community
10am Interviews for Banns and Weddings
(by appointment only)
10am-12noon Coffee morning, WCC CH

Next 8am Holy Communion, Lady Chapel
Sunday 10am Parish Communion
Bible 6pm Evensong
Sunday

Take a look at our website/twitter/facebook today and give us a  ;
it's an important part of our Outreach!

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



Newsletter

Sunday 20th October 2019 Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

8am • Holy Communion, Lady Chapel
10am • Parish Communion with Holy Baptism
also with option of prayers and anointing with oil for healing
11:45am • Charities Support Group talk from Bridge and
Stort Valley Schools Trust, WCC CH
6pm • Choral Evensong

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:

During our 10am service we celebrate the Baptism of Alan Brandt. Also during the service we offer the opportunity for anointing with oil and laying on of hands for healing.

At 11:45am, as part of our series of talks in the WCC after coffee we are delighted to have Al and Emma Evans chat to us about Bridge Church. They spoke at the Deanery Synod recently and this is an excellent talk. Since taking over from Lloyd, Al and Emma have been doing a brilliant job with the young people and the Charities Support Group are delighted to support them. There is also a short talk from Tina about Stort Valley Schools Trust, who work with young people too.

The Choir anthem at our 6pm Choral Evensong Service is 'Thou knowest, Lord' (Purcell).

Coffee Morning, Saturday 26th October – Come to the Windhill Churches Centre from 10am-12noon. Homemade cakes and produce, books and other stalls. Please come and enjoy coffee, cake and a chat with friends. Donations of cake, books and nearly new items gratefully received.

All Saints Sunday, Sunday 3rd November – We'll celebrate the feast of All Saints with three special services: Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel at 8am, All Age Communion Service at 10am (with children helping to lead the worship) and Sung Matins from the Prayer Book, with the Choir, at 11:15am. All are welcome to this beautiful, reflective service of musical praise and prayer. If you haven't ever experienced a Matins, or haven't attended one for a while, why not give it a try?

Service of All Souls – All are warmly invited to our annual thanksgiving service which, this year, will be at 4pm on Sunday 3rd November. Please come to the service and if you would like loved ones to be remembered by name, enter their names CLEARLY IN CAPITALS in the book by the Lady Chapel entrance.

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 8th November**. Coffee at 9am; 9:15 start.

Remembrance Sunday, 10th November – Holy Communion at 8am, Parish Communion for Remembrance Sunday at 10am, and a special Taizé Service at 6pm.

Friends of St Michael's Quiz, Saturday 16th November – This popular quiz is back! 7 for 7:30pm in the Windhill Churches Centre. Tables of 8, £10 per person to include supper. Tickets via Rob Klincke.

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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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.

Welcome Party, Sunday 17th November, 3-5pm in the WCC – Whilst we are inviting newcomers to the Parish and the newly baptised, we would welcome others in our church family to come too, to offer a real St Michael's welcome. This is a low-key event with tea and cakes and socialising with one another - so please consider coming along. We would love to see you. The Pastoral Group.

Anointing and laying on of hands – At the 10am Holy Communion on **Wednesday 20th November** and at the 10am Parish Communion on **Sunday 19th January** we will offer anointing and laying on of hands for healing.

Employing a Families Minister – The PCC has decided that the Church should employ a Families Minister, to work with children, young people and their families. The post will shortly be advertised but in the meantime information on the post, including the Mission Statement, Personal Profile and Job Specification, is on our website: saintmichaelweb.org.uk/Groups/329840/Vacancies.aspx

Director of Music Vacancy – This is now entered on the Church website vacancies webpage (as above), with supporting documentation available there. Please feel free to disseminate this information and documents through any channels you think may be helpful. And please pray for God's guidance in this process, and for his call to be heard by the right person and discerned by us here. Many thanks, Derwyn.

Offer your hand for international friendship this Christmas! Adult international students in the UK face a lonely holiday on a university campus and would love to spend a few days with you experiencing Christmas festivities. Hosting is voluntary and suitable for all ages with the HOST charity. www.hostuk.org / 020 7739 6292.

Company at Christmas – Every year, Churches Together Bishop's Stortford give a party for anyone in our town who would otherwise be alone on Christmas Day. There are FIVE ways you can help: be a Christmas Day volunteer, a Christmas Eve volunteer, a Christmas Day driver, an entertainer or cook a Christmas turkey. If you are interested in getting involved, please contact Margaret Fox (658638) or Jenny Klincke (833523).

CTBS – St Michael's needs a new representative for Church Together forum as Margaret Fox is standing down. Please speak to Margaret, or Derek Hinge, John Emmett or the Vicar for more information.

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