

This Week Newsletter

Morning Prayer 8:45am Monday – Friday Monday Craft Group, WCC CH 10am Tuesday Holv Communion Wednesday 10am 10:45am Tinv Tots 7:45-9:45pm WLTC rehearsal, WCC CH Holly Fair meeting, WCC1/2 8pm Thursday 9:45am Church Home Group, WCC CH Quiet Day, Albury 10:30am Friday 6:20pm Junior Choir rehearsal 7:30pm Choir rehearsal Saturday Prayers for our community 9:30am Wardens' meeting, WCC CH 10am Interviews for Banns and Weddings 10am (by appointment only) 1:30 for 2pm Cursillo meeting, WCC CH Holy Communion for All Saints, Lady Chapel Next 8am All Age Communion for All Saints Sundav 10am All Saints' 11:15am Choral Matins Company on Sunday Lunch, WCC CH 1pm 4pm Service of All Souls Bridge Youth Church, Holy Trinity 5pm

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Sunday 27th October 2019 **Bible Sunday**

8am • Holy Communion, Lady Chapel 10am • Parish Communion 6pm • 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.



St Michael's Church, Bishop's Stortford



Notices

The Bishop's Harvest Appeal to bring solar electricity to the poor and isolated rural communities in Tanzania was very successful at St Michael's with the congregation donating £476.32. Thank you for your generosity.

Holly Fair Planning Meeting, Wednesday 30th October, 8pm - Come and join us upstairs in the WCC: everyone involved in any way with the fair is encouraged to attend, plus anyone else interested in helping. We really do need your help!

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.

Parish Breakfast, Sunday 10th November - from 8:50-9:50am in the Windhill Churches Centre. Please sign the sheet in the Publicity Area if you're coming!

Remembrance Sunday, 10th November – Holy Communion at 8am. Then at the 10am Parish Communion service we will be gathering round the War Memorial in the churchvard after the Eucharist for our Remembrance Ceremonies. We will also have a Junior Church session, including Remembrance crafts to be placed at the foot of the memorial. Finally, there's a special Taizé Service at 6pm and all are warmly invited to come and share in the contemplative worship with us.

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 lowkey event with tea and cakes and socialising with one another - so please consider coming along. We would love to see you. The Pastoral Group.

Holly Ring mossing-up. 18th-20th November – All are welcome to join us and help in the WCC at any time between 9:30am-4pm ('til 12noon Wednesday).

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.

Recycling - St Michael's School has inspired us to collect crisp packets. The school council team collects, sorts and takes them (along with other items) down to the night shelter collecting point so the shelter benefits from the money and the school benefits by knowing they are doing a tiny bit to keep the planet clean. If you bring your crisp packets to Church we will take them directly to the night shelter.

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.

Friends of St Michael's Quiz - With great apologies, this guiz will now not take place in November.

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