



8am Holy Communion for Lent 4, in Church

10am Service of the Word for Mothering Sunday, in Church & [Zoom](#)

You are welcome to share in our worship in the following ways:

- 1. Come to Church** All are welcome!

Remember to bring your order of service for the 10am service.

- 2. Join Zoom on your computer**

When signed in you can 'Join a Meeting' (ID: 927 480 8728 / Passcode: 889123).

- 3. Join with Audio Zoom via phone**

a) Call 0131 460 1196 b) Enter Meeting ID then #, then enter Meeting Passcode then #

Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the WCC after the 10am service.

We'll celebrate Mothering Sunday at our 10am service this Sunday. Children in our Godly Play session will be helping to finish small gifts of flowers to give to ladies in our church family.

A Collect for today

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Psalm 127. 1-4

Refrain: The Lord shall keep watch over your going out and your coming in.

1 Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain.

2 Unless the Lord keeps the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.

3 It is in vain that you hasten to rise up early and go so late to rest, eating the bread of toil, for he gives his beloved sleep. **[R]**

4 Children are a heritage from the Lord and the fruit of the womb is his gift. **[R]**

Lord, you are ever watchful and bless us with your gifts; as you provide for all our needs, so help us to build only what pleases you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER, COUNSEL AND SUPPORT

If parishioners would value the prayers, counsel and support of the church, in time of need for themselves or others on their hearts, please do reach out to the ministry team. Do speak to us in person at church services and events, or use the contact details on the next page. Thank you.

A Gospel reading for today, John 19. 25-27

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Come and share our short session for children and young people during our Sunday 10am service EVERY WEEK!

We invite children of all ages, with their adults, to come into the Lady Chapel during part of the service, and share in A Godly Play (a short visual storytelling of scriptures, with wondering questions, stories, crafts, puzzles, and even some acting for those that want ... for all ages to share together; then various age related activities). **We also have an older group breakout session most weeks.**

This week we hear about Jesus anointed with perfume (*Matthew 26. 6-13*), as well as completing our Mothering Sunday gifts for all the ladies in our church family!

Our [Children & Young People](#) website page has loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus this Lent.

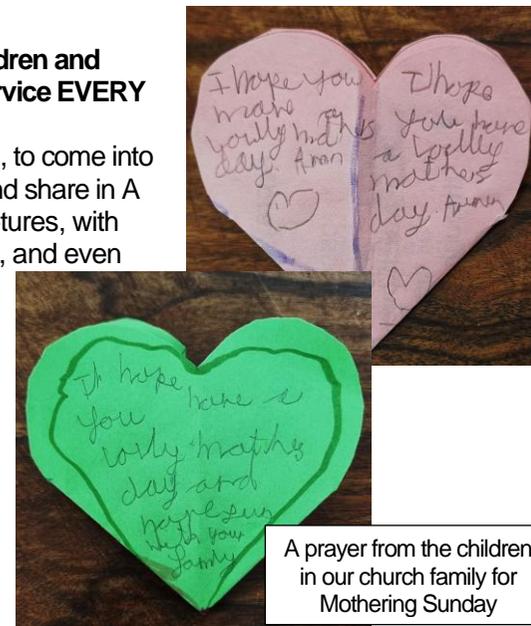
There will be something new each week! This week we have some special things to make for Mothering Sunday.

Our young person's choir - If your child is 7 or over and interested in joining, please contact Nathan Collins (stmichaelsbsdom@gmail.com) We will also be starting choral and organ scholarships for our young people.



Holiday Bible Week 2026: 'Rescue!', 3rd-7th August. Sign Up for children and volunteers is now LIVE – Head over to the [HBW website](#) to secure your place for this year's festival event NOW! And visit our [website](#) for a sneak video preview of all the fun that happens each year!

The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon.
An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.



A prayer from the children in our church family for Mothering Sunday



Forthcoming 8am services – We'll celebrate Holy Communion at 8am this **Sunday 15th March, with Holy Communion for the Fourth Sunday of Lent**, then 29th March (Palm Sunday), 5th April (Easter Day), then 19th April.

Lent Reflections, Tuesdays from 12-12:30pm in the Lady Chapel – All are warmly invited to join these sessions during Lent. This year our theme is Journey to the Cross, with an audio reading from Bear Grylls book, 'The Greatest Story Ever Told': a retelling of the Gospel through the eyes of those who knew Jesus best, a short reflection, music and prayer. We continue **this Tuesday** with Yahanan (a friend). Each session is followed by a frugal lunch at 12:30pm in the WCC, in aid of the two charities supported by our Charities Support Group Lent Appeal this year. [See our Lent flyer on our website](#) for more information; there are a few copies in the Publicity Area too.

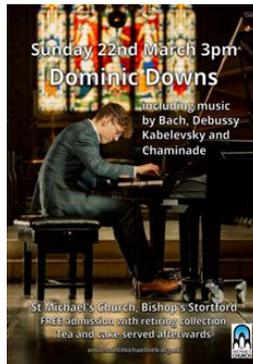
Holy Communion, Wednesday 18th March, 10am – Refreshments afterwards.

Tiny Tots, Thursdays from 12:30-2/2:30pm, WCC – For parents/carers and babies/preschoolers in term time; plus older children in the holidays. Playtime, tea/coffee, songs, stories, activities and a prayer. Buggy access and baby change available, and you're welcome to bring a packed lunch if you like. It's also ok to be late, we understand!

Prayers for our Community, Saturday 21st March, 9:30-10am – All welcome.

Healing Prayers – are offered in the Lady Chapel after worship on fourth Sundays each month, **next on Sunday 22nd March**.

Tower Tours, Sunday 22 March, 1pm-3pm - Adults £5, children free - no booking required: visitors can call in at any time and there will be ringers in the tower to talk to them and show them around. Contact bells@saintmichaelweb.org.uk / 07773 572135 for more information.



Recital, Sunday 22nd March at 3pm. A piano recital with Dominic Downs. Free admission, retiring collection, tea and homemade cakes afterwards.

Our craft group meets on alternate Mondays in the WCC, 10am - 12noon. Next on Monday 23rd March – All welcome! We might bring along our own current crafting hobby and sometimes one of the group shares a craft.

Quiet Days in Albury – Days of reflection and contemplation in June's home. We'll be meeting next on **Thursday 26th March**.

Readers for Holy Week – Would you like to read a Bible passage at one of the special Holy Week services? Offers sought for: **Palm Sunday Stabat Mater (Pergolesi) Choral Devotions, 6pm 29th March; Maundy Thursday Communion 7:30pm 2nd April; and Good Friday Devotions 1:30pm 3rd April**. If interested please contact the Parish Office. Many thanks.

TLC Tuesdays, next meeting on Tuesday 7th April in the WCC, 2:15pm for 2:30pm Join tea and talk and a regular short presentation on wide-ranging interests. This month we are delighted to welcome Mary Stock and her woodwind group.

The Charities Support Group would welcome new members If you're interested in helping support charities through events, talks and distributing the funds at St Michael's Church then get do in touch with CSG or Derwyn. Specifically we would like someone to work alongside the current treasurer with a view to taking over at some point. Equally if someone could regularly do minutes at our meetings (4 per year) this would also be appreciated. Our next meeting is **9th April at 7.30pm in the WCC**. Val Ashwood (Chair).

St Michael's Charity Quiz: 9th May, 7 for 7:30pm – The quiz team has again been assembled for this popular event. £15 per ticket with Fish and Chip (or chicken) supper. Bring your own drinks and glasses. Tables of 8. Please see Carole/Bill Macdonald, Val Ashwood or Claire Conquest to reserve a table. (Tables of 8 or individuals welcomed).

HBW 2026, 'Rescue!', Monday 3rd - Friday 7th August – Registration is now open for both children and volunteers for this year's event; sign up via the [HBW website](#).

Are you interested in joining a home group? Perhaps you'd like to find out about what they can offer? Contact Derwyn in the first instance if you'd like to know more.

Mary's Meals foreign currency collection and postage stamps for charity – There is a collection box in church during services for all your foreign currency, no matter how old, obscure or its value. Also, remember to save your used stamps and put them in the bucket in the Publicity Area to go to charity. Please ensure that the stamps have a one inch paper envelope border, otherwise they cannot be used!

We have a wonderful band of cleaners and are now looking for extras – We have two groups, and it would mean cleaning once every eight weeks. We meet on the final Saturday of the month from 10-11am or earlier if preferred.

Lent Red Bucket Appeal from the Charities Support Group – We'll add this to the money raised through the Lent lunches and split the amount between Riding Lights and Embrace the Middle East: Al-Ahli Arab Hospital in Gaza. Donations can be made into the red bucket or on the card machine using the button 'Lent Appeal'. More information about the charities and donating through BACS is on our [website](#), on noticeboards and leaflets.

Details of all services and events are available on the [Calendar](#) page on our website. Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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