



# ST MICHAEL'S BRAINTREE



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## 23rd July 2023 - Seventh Sunday after Trinity

### General Information

Vicar	Rev Nigel Adams Email: revnigeladams@gmail.com (Nigel's day of rest will be on Friday this week)
Churchwardens	Lin Terris Ade Odupitan
Honorary Curate	Rev Stephen Bailey
Children's and Youth Worker (part-time)	Rachel Grove Smith
Pastoral Assistant	Jo Adams
Treasurer	Lesley Davey

Contact Margaret Kinniburgh to add items to the Notice Sheet (by noon **Thursday**) email: notices@stmichaelsbtree.co.uk.

### Keeping in touch

To phone, please leave a message on the church office phone (01376 321248).

St. Michael's Church website is on the following link - <http://stmichaelsbtree.co.uk/website/> (If this does not work, you might need to clear your browsing history/web cache from your browser. In most browsers this can be done using Ctrl+Shift+Del.) On this page you can see our Magazine, Notice sheets, Annual reports and other details and will be able to access our Sunday online services.

Our Facebook page is: [www.facebook.com/stmichaelschurchbraintree/](http://www.facebook.com/stmichaelschurchbraintree/)

If you are new to St Michael's, welcome! If you would like someone to contact you, please leave your details in the collection box by the door.

Name(s) .....

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### Church Services:

All our services are in the church building and a video recording of the 10am services are later uploaded to our YouTube Channel "St. Michael's - Worship on the Web."

#### Sunday, 23rd July

10.00am Family Service - 'Good Samaritan' - Luke 10: 25-37 - Rachel Grove-Smith

12 noon Picnic lunch in the Public Gardens

6.30pm Holy Communion - 'You raise me up' - Psalm 22 - Rev Nigel Adams

#### Sunday, 30th July

10.00am Family Service - 'The Pharisee & the tax collector' - Luke 18: 9-14 - Rev Nigel Adams

6.30pm United Service at Braintree Baptist Church

There will be a **Confirmation Service on Sun 10th Sept**, by Rt Revd Dr Rob Munro, the Bishop of Ebbsfleet. Bishop Rob will be preaching at our 10am service at St Michael's, when we will introduce the confirmation candidates to the church family. The actual Confirmations will take place at St Mary's Church, Henham (about 30 minutes drive) at 6pm. If you are interested in being Confirmed, or wish to know more, please speak to Nigel Adams or Rachel Grove Smith.

**Mark Drama:** St Michael's and Christ Church Braintree are partnering to put on a dramatic performance of Mark's Gospel, known as the Mark Drama, on **Sat 21st & Sun 22nd Oct**. The Mark Drama is not performed by professional actors, but uses ordinary church members to bring the events of the gospel to life. For further information, please speak to Nigel Adams or Josh Rulton.

### 10.00am Family Service

Welcome, notices & Banns of marriage  
Opening Prayer  
Song: Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness (MP 1086)  
Birthday slot  
Song: Jesus number 1 - video  
Confession & prayer of forgiveness  
Video - The Good Samaritan  
Prayers: Grove-Smith family  
Song: Let there be love (MP 411)  
Bible reading: Luke 10: 25-37 (p.1046) - Grove-Smith family  
Song: Beauty for brokenness (MP 806)  
Talk: *'The Good Samaritan'* - Rachel Grove-Smith  
Song: I'm special because God has loved me (MP 325)  
Closing prayer

### 6.30pm Holy Communion

Welcome, notices  
Opening prayer  
Song: Give thanks to the Lord (MP 1046)  
The Creed  
Confession  
Prayers: Cyril Bamforth  
Song: You are my anchor (MP 1134)  
Bible reading: Psalm 22 (p.548) - Jan Bamforth  
Talk: *'You raise me up'* - Rev Nigel Adams  
Song: When I survey (MP 1126)  
Explanation of Communion  
Prayer of Humble Access, Eucharistic prayer and administration of Communion  
Lord's Prayer  
Song: My Lips Shall Praise You (MP 896)  
Closing prayer

### For your prayers:

**Unwell:** Kirsty Huxter, Gloria Boar, Angela Hibbert-Foy, Terry Clark, Alan (Edward Toussaint's brother), Norma Huxter, Linda (Gloria Boar's daughter), Alan Bass, Jim Roberts, Dennis Buston, Lee Evans, Katherine Cridland, Elaine Stoodley

**Housebound:** David and Anne Harvey

**Bereaved:** Please pray for the family & friends of ...

- David Kemp
- Eddie Wells
- Kirsty Huxter's Uncle Kevin
- Liam Cocks' grandfather

**Mission of the Month: Church Pastoral Aid Society (CPAS)** is an Anglican Evangelical Mission agency enabling churches to help every person hear and discover the good news of Jesus Christ. They have an input into the appointment of ministers, including our church. They train ministers, run courses for churches and PCC groups. They organise and run over 50 young people and children's camps and house parties. This month, we pray especially for the volunteer leaders and youngsters, who will attend these camps and house parties, mainly held during July and August each year.

**Funerals** – please continue to pray for Helen Kemp and Jean Wells & their families:

- **David Kemp's** funeral will be on **Thurs 27th July, 1.30pm**, and
- **Eddie Wells'** funeral will be on **Fri 28th July, 11.30am**

Both will be at the Three Counties Crematorium and everyone is most welcome to attend.

On **Friday, 28th July** we will be holding another '**SMASH extra for families**' event. It will take place between 3pm and 5pm in the church. There will be various stations (crafts and games) around the church that families can visit. Then at 4.30pm we will join together for a '**Praise Party**' when we will sing SMASH songs and hear a Bible story. We look forward to seeing you there! For more information e-mail [rgrovesmith@stmichaelsbtrees.co.uk](mailto:rgrovesmith@stmichaelsbtrees.co.uk)

**Living Without Worry group** is meeting on Tuesday 25th July from 10-11.30am in the small hall of Church House. It will be helpful to have read chapters 9 and 10 of the 'Living Without Worry' book and thought through the questions at the end of the chapters before the meeting. Please bring your book with you. Any questions please speak to Jo Adams.

**Oasis@StMichael's** (our informal bereavement support group) are meeting on Thursday, 27th July 2pm until 3.30pm in St Michael's Church House (Small Hall). All are most welcome to join us.

**Women@StMichael's** Afternoon tea at The Phoenix (next to Lloyds Bank) on Wednesday, 16th August at 2.00pm. Cost is £15. There is a sign up sheet if you are interested!

**Date For Your Diary:** Saturday School on Saturday, 16th September from 9.30am - 1.00pm in Church House.

**Walk in the countryside:** Join us on **Saturday, 29th July** as we resume walking in the countryside. David Birch will be our guide. Everyone is welcome to join in - just turn up! Please meet at the **Rayne Railway station at 10:30am**, to set-off at 10:45am. There will be an opportunity for refreshments at the Rayne station café at the end. We take this opportunity to say "thank-you" to Miriam and Terry Clark for organising and leading the walks in years gone by. Speak to David Birch or Ade Odupitan for more information.

**God loves you tour** – Franklin Graham (Billy Graham's son) is speaking at an event at the London ExCeL centre on **Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Aug from 6pm**. The evening includes live music and a timeless message of hope. We have booked a coach, which will be leaving Braintree mid-afternoon (exact time to be confirmed). All are welcome to join us – please consider inviting a guest. There is no charge for attending or for the coach. Sign up on the sheet at the back of church if you would like to attend, or speak to Nigel Adams if you have any questions.