



# ST MICHAEL'S BRAINTREE



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## 15th October 2023 - Nineteenth 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	Vacancy

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, 15th October

- 9.00am Next Plus Breakfast (14-18s)
- 10.00am Junior Church (3-14s) & Creche (under 3s)
- 10.00am Holy Communion - *'The present kingdom'* - Luke 1: 39-55; 2: 22-32  
- Rev Nigel Adams
- 6.30pm All-Age Tonight - *'Laodicea: the foolish church'* - Revelation 3: 14-22  
- Jennifer Bailey

#### Sunday, 22nd October

- 9.00am Next Plus Breakfast (14-18s)
- 10.00am Junior Church (3-14s) & Creche (under 3s)
- 10.00am Morning Worship - *'The proclaimed kingdom'* - 2 Corinthians 4: 1-18  
- Rev Nigel Adams
- 6.30pm Holy Communion - *'The spoils of war'* - 1 Samuel 30: 1-31  
- Roger Cooke

There is a **Creche** available (for those under the age of 3) in the Main Hall in Church House where there are lots of toys! Creche will start at the same time as Junior Church (usually after the second song), so please bring your creche aged children into church for 10am. Please speak to Rachel Grove Smith if you have any questions.

**Bookkeeper/Administrator** – the PCC have agreed to advertise a paid role for a bookkeeper/administrator for St Michael's Church. The role will be 16 hours per week, ideally spread over 4 days, based in the Church Office. Details of the Job Description are available at the back of church. For further information, including an application form, please speak to Nigel Adams, or to Lesley Davey regarding the bookkeeping role.

### **10.00am Holy Communion**

Welcome & notices including video of Operation Christmas Child

Opening Prayer:

Song: For God so loved the world

Birthday slot

Prayer before the children & young people leave

Song: My song is love unknown (MP 478)

Confession:

Prayers:

Song: Only a holy God (Come and behold him)

Bible reading: Luke 1: 39-55; 2: 22-32 (p. 1031 & 1033) - Louisa Fisk

Talk: *'The present kingdom'* - Rev Nigel Adams

Song: My Lord, what love is this (MP 476)

Explanation of Communion, Prayer of Humble Access, Eucharistic prayer and administration of Communion

Song: I will offer up my life (MP 990)

Closing prayer

### **6.00pm for refreshments**

#### **6.30pm All-Age Tonight**

Welcome, notices

Opening prayer

Song: Creation sings the Father's song

Seeking game

Song: God you're good to me

Prayers: Rachel Grove Smith

Drama: 'Fine dining'

Songs: Purify my heart (MP 921) & Open our eyes, Lord (MP 545)

Light candles

Bible reading: Revelation 3: 14-22 (p.1237) - Laura Bartlett-Rawlings

Talk: *'Laodicea: the foolish church'* - Jennifer Bailey

Activity: making door hangers

Confession

Song: Praise is rising (MP 1221)

Closing prayer

### **For your prayers:**

**Unwell:** Rev Canon Alastair McHaffie (former curate), Becky Gray, Jim Winning, Pamhi Shonhiwa, the mother of Jill Jackson's friend, Caroline, who has had a heart attack, 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, Katherine Cridland, Elaine Stoodley

**Housebound:** David and Anne Harvey

**Mission of the Month: Samaritan's Purse (Operation Christmas Child):** If you would like to donate filled shoebox(es) this year for Operation Christmas Child, you are welcome to take a shoe box from the OCC stand in the welcome area; we have 50 pre-printed shoeboxes (no need to wrap), take a **How to Pack a Shoebox Leaflet** which contains your shoebox labels and a prepaid envelope for donations if paying by cash or cheque. If you cannot complete a box but would like to donate fillers, please put these into the donation box by the OCC stand. For online shoebox donations, we have set up an online goal page for St Michael's church members. The link is: <https://shoeboxonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk/goal-pages/d1475aeb> For more information visit [samaritans-purse.org.uk/OCC](http://samaritans-purse.org.uk/OCC).

Please bring your shoeboxes and fillers to church by **Sunday, 12th November**.

**Walk in the countryside:** Join us on Saturday, 28th October for a walk around the countryside near the Green Dragon. David Birch will be our guide. We aim for about 3-4 miles so about an hour of walking. Everyone is welcome to join in - just turn up! Please meet/gather at St Michael's Church Car Park at 10.00am to set-off at 10.10am. There may be an opportunity for refreshments at the Green Dragon Pub. Speak to David Birch or Ade Odupitan for more information. Lifts can be arranged if required.

On Saturday 28th October we will be holding another **'SMASH extra for families'** event that will have a **Light Party** theme! 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. And 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@stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk](mailto:rgrovesmith@stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk)

**Men @ St Michael's** are having a meal at the Toby Carvery, at Notley Cross, on Tues 17th October at 7pm. Please sign up on the sheet in the cross aisle if you would like to join us.

**Fisherman's Mission:** Andy Malcolm will be visiting us again on Sunday, 5th November. There will be a Fish and Chip lunch after Church Family Worship. If you would like to join us to hear more from Andy about the Fisherman's Mission please sign the list on the crossing.

**Men @ St Michael's** are having a morning conference titled **"Firm Foundations: building on the rock"** on Sat 18th Nov, 9am-12.30pm. Please note the date – more details to follow.