



# ST MICHAEL'S BRAINTREE



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## 28th January 2024 - Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

### 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, 28th January**

10.00am Junior Church (3-14s) & Creche (under 3s)

10.00am Morning Worship - Stewardship Sunday - 'Sowing and reaping' -  
2 Corinthians 9: 6-15 - Rev Nigel Adams

4.00pm Welcome Tea

6.30pm Holy Communion - 'Paul visits James' - Acts 21: 17-26  
- Roger Cooke

#### **Sunday, 4th February**

10.00am Church Family Worship - 'Simon Peter: defending (& rebuking) Jesus' -  
Mark 1:16-20 & 8:27-28 -

4.00pm Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) - 'Big God, little me!' -  
Psalm 90 - Rev Nigel Adams

6.30pm Evening Worship - "Big God, little me!" - Psalm 90 - Rev Nigel Adams

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.

### **General Information**

Vicar	Rev Nigel Adams Email: revnigeladams@gmail.com (Nigel's day of rest will be on Saturday this week)
Churchwardens	Lin Terris Ade Odupitan
Honorary Curate	Rev Stephen Bailey
Children's and Youth Worker (part-time)	Rachel Grove Smith
Bookkeeper/Administrator	Angel Joseph-Aung
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**

The church office is normally staffed Mon-Wed, 9am-2pm – the church office phone number is 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) .....

Address .....

Telephone .....

Email .....

### **10.00am Morning Worship**

Welcome & notices  
Opening prayer  
Song: Jesus number 1 - video  
Birthday slot  
Prayer before the children & young people leave  
Song: Great is Thy faithfulness (MP 200)  
Confession and prayer of forgiveness  
Song: I will offer up my life (MP 990)  
Prayers: Estelle Wicks  
Song: Bless the Lord O my soul (MP 1259)  
Bible reading: 2 Corinthians 9: 6-15 (p. 1165) - Margaret St John Coleman  
Talk: *'Sowing and reaping'* - Rev Nigel Adams  
Song: Take my life and let it be (MP 624)  
Closing prayer

### **6.30pm Holy Communion**

Welcome & notices  
Opening prayer  
Song: Salvation belongs to our God (MP 924)  
The Creed  
Confession  
Prayers: Jennifer Bailey  
Song: The God we love is looking for a people  
Bible reading: Acts 21: 17-26 (p. 1121) - Jonathan Wicks  
Talk: *'Paul visits James'* - Roger Cooke  
Song: Beneath the cross of Jesus (MP 1158)  
Explanation of Communion  
Prayer of Humble Access, Eucharistic prayer and administration of Communion  
Lord's Prayer  
Song: O Church arise (MP 1213)  
Closing prayer

### **For your prayers:**

**Unwell:** Terry Clark, Robin Sewell, Sandra Savill, Linda (Lexi Allen's mother), Elaine Stoodley, Gill Bass, Michael Latta, Jill Jackson, David Goodwill, Rev Canon Alistair McHaffie (former curate), Pamhi Shonhiwa, Kirsty Huxter, Angela Hibbert-Foy, Alan (Edward Toussaint's brother), Norma Huxter, Linda (Gloria Boar's daughter), Alan Bass, Dennis Buston, Katherine Cridland

**Bereaved:** Please pray for Barbara Roberts & family following the death of Jim.

**Housebound:** David and Anne Harvey

**Mission of the Month: Chain Foundation** was set up to deal with the high number of children who were left orphaned in Uganda and to assist with the health and education of others in the area. Today, the Chain Foundation have a Home for Children, farms which help make produce to keep the foundation self-sufficient and schools for all ages and abilities including the blind. The children utilize devotions that are held every evening to know more about Jesus' love and also strengthen their covenant with God.

We are intending to start a **monthly men's Bible study** on Thursday 15th (not 18th, as given last week!) February at 7.30pm in the Mulberry Tree (where we had our last men's breakfast). We've chosen it so that anyone who needs a meal can get it before/as we study. The study will be an introductory talk about the passage, then a chat about issues it raises and a brief time of prayer. Probably about an hour in total. Please let Roger Cooke or Nigel Adams know if you're planning to join us, or if you have any questions.

**Danbury Mission Women's Conference** is on Sat 9th March, 9.15am-3.00pm. Lizzie Smallwood will be speaking about "Greater: Persevering in Jesus". Bring a packed lunch – tickets are £10 each. Details can be found on the Danbury Mission website.

**Parking Permits:** From January you will need a new parking permit if you are using church house car park for other than church business. Parking permits will be valid until the end of 2024 and charged at £20 per permit. Permits will only be issued to members on the electoral roll. Application forms can be found in church (in the Welcome Area) and need to be returned with payment to Phil Bartlett-Rawlings.

**Coffee@St Michael's** will take place on Thursday, 1st February in St Michael's church, from 10am – 12noon. Everyone is very welcome.

**Rose Hill Bible Study** will meet in future in Church House each Thursday at 7.30pm. Anyone who would like to join a weekly Bible Study Group would be very welcome to come and join us or give us a try! We are studying Hebrews at the moment. Any questions, please speak to Jennifer Bailey.