

Being Good News in Schools Conference: Saturday, 3 February 2018 at St Mary's Loughton 9.30am to 4pm. The focus is on "Creatively Sharing the Love of Jesus". The Conference is designed to help all those who minister in schools. There are 3 Speakers and Workshops on such things as Assemblies, Sport and How to Share our Faith in the school environment. There are 10 tickets available to anyone who would like to go to this event. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the cross aisle.



ST MICHAEL'S BRAINTREE

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General Information

Vicar	Rev Nigel Adams	01376 807662 <i>(The Vicar's day off is Friday)</i>
Churchwardens	Cyril Bamforth Lesley Davey	01376 328406 01376 326969
Honorary Curate	Rev Stephen Bailey	01376 619347
Youth Worker	Andy Carter	01787 224577

- **No collections are taken during services. Offerings may be placed in the box or on the plate near the door, before or after, and please use the nearby Gift Aid envelopes if possible. Thank you.**
- A supervised crèche is available for preschoolers at the 10.00 am service. One of the helpers will contact you if there is a problem.
- There are toilets under the tower (including disabled) and in the crèche.
- Large-print hymn books and notice/service sheets are available.
- Braille hymn books are available.
- There is an induction loop for the hard of hearing. Please switch your hearing aid to the T position.
- Sermons at 10.00am and 6.30pm can be accessed via the church website.
- Where applicable, words of songs are reproduced under CCLI Licence No. 2350
- Contact Margaret Kinniburgh to add items to the Notice Sheet (by noon **Thursday**) email: mkinniburgh@live.co.uk Telephone 01376 330013.

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. Or use the contact tab on the website: www.stmichaelsbtree.co.uk

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Today

10 December 2017 - 2nd of Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Nigel Adams
10.00am	Morning Worship
10.00am	Youth Church
12.30pm	Church Family Christmas Lunch (if booked) (Church House will not be open until 12noon)
6.30pm	Holy Communion
7.30pm	Focus Youth Group

Please join us for refreshments after the 10.00am and 6.30pm services
This Week

Full details of venues and contacts in LINK magazine 'Practical Information'

11 Monday

7.30pm	Bell Ringing
8.00pm	Badminton

12 Tuesday **JANUARY LINK SUBMISSION DUE**

1.15pm	Tiddlywinks
8.00pm	First Priority prayer meeting

13 Wednesday

9.45am	Meeting Point Bible Study
7.25pm	Elders Meeting - Church House
8.00pm	Lifemaker Bible Study - 2 Hollybrook

14 Thursday

8.00pm	Carry On Exploring Bible Study
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15 Friday

2.30pm	Bradbury House Service
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17 Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Colin Fairweather
10.00am	Morning Worship – 'Nothing is impossible with God' – Rev Stephen Bailey
6.30pm	Carols by 'Candlelight'
7.30pm	Focus Youth Group

10.00 a.m.
Morning Worship

Service Lead: Rev Nigel Adams

1-4: Welcome and Greeting

Hymn: MP 204

5-6: Confession

Hymn: MP 1141

Bible Reading: Exodus 34: 29-35
(page 89)

Jack Green

Hymn: MP 1181

Bible Reading: Mark 9: 1-13
(page 1018)

Stephen Siddle

Hymn: MP 139

7-8: Creed

9-11: Prayers

Elaine Stoodley

Notices:

12: *Offertory

Hymn: MP 825

Sermon: 'A glimpse of glory'

Canon John Turton

Hymn: MP 295

13-16: Blessing

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6.30 p.m.
Holy Communion

Service Lead: Janet Bamforth

Celebrant: Rev Nigel Adams

Reading: Acts 10: 34-48 (page 1107)

Richard Richardson

Prayers: Helen Kemp

Sermon: 'The Holy Spirit poured out'

Cyril Bamforth

Christmas tree: Is there a family or small group of people who would be willing to put up and decorate our Christmas tree in church this year? It needs to be up for our carol service next Sunday. If you are able to assist, please speak to Cyril Bamforth.

Christmas Cards: we would like to encourage you all to place just one Christmas card to us all on the board in the Welcome Area and donate the money saved in the box provided. This will then be given to New Direction, the Salvation Army hostel for the homeless in Braintree.

For your prayers:

Unwell: Jim Winning (hosp procedure Thurs/Friday), Tabitha Sinka (David & Ann Mahood's 6 week old granddaughter), Alison Davey, Elaine Stoodley, Roy Smart, Gloria Boar, Meta Taylor

Housebound: Norah Hern

Bereaved: the family and friends of John Watts (funeral 20 December at 10.30am in Church followed by short service at the Cemetery). Richard Richardson and family, following the death of his father and mother.

Other Matters: Stephen at Blackchapels am. Mission of the Month: Fishermen's Mission

Our Mission Partners:

- ACTS: Joanna Ilboudo and her team in Burkina Faso.
- Tim and Charissa Cooke (Counties) and their Make Jesus Known outreach based in Manchester.
- Chain Foundation (Uganda): Bishop Livingstone and Ruth, Stone & Florence.
- Joel Wicks (and family) training for ordination at Oak Hill College.

Dates for your diary:

NOTICES

27 January Women @ St Michael's Tenth Anniversary Conference Day

3 February Schools Conference (see notice)

Jim Winning and family would like to thank you for your prayers, help and love shown to us during the sad time with the passing of Frankie who is now with our Lord and Saviour.

Thank you for praying for Tabitha, please continue to do so. She is now home from hospital but will be very susceptible to infections for some time.

A BIG thank you for all the donated sweets - greeted with enthusiasm and every teacher was able to have a chocolate reindeer for bringing their classes to what was a lovely experience. Thanks to Lionel and the Flower Club for their input.

Fishermen's Mission: the collection last week made £595.10 which we will send to Andy Malcolm at the Fishermen's Mission. Thank you to everyone.

Carols by Candlelight: contributions towards refreshments after this service will be welcomed especially home made mince pies! It would be helpful if you could just mention to Jennifer Bailey if you are able to contribute.

Christmas Bookstall: this is the last Sunday we will have the bookstall here. Do please come and browse.

Christmas publicity: we have both cards and postcards available, with details of our main Christmas services. Do please take them and invite friends, family and neighbours to join us for one of the services.

Christmas services: please note that on both Sunday 24th and Sunday 31st December, we have services at 8am and 10am, but not at 6.30pm.

Verse of the Year 2018 cards and fridge magnets are available in the Welcome Area. For those on the Electoral Roll there is a labelled envelope.

Tesco Tokens: BYPC are one of the charities taking part in this round of the Bags of Help 'blue tokens'. If you shop at Tescos please ask for a blue token at the checkout and drop it in our box near the exit. This is across all Tesco stores in Braintree until 1 January. Thank you.

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