



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>
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Honorary Curate	Rev Stephen Bailey	01376 619347
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- **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. Please note that parents/carers are responsible for their children before and after the church service.
- 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

14 January 2018 - 2nd of Epiphany

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Stephen Bailey
10.00am	Morning Worship
10.00am	Junior Church
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'

15 Monday

12.15am	Spotlight
7.30pm	Bell Ringing
8.00pm	Badminton

16 Tuesday

FEBRUARY LINK SUBMISSION DUE

1.15pm	Tiddlywinks
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17 Wednesday

9.45am	Meeting Point Bible Study
7.45pm	Bible Reading Group – Church House

18 Thursday

1.45pm	Funeral of Rosa Read followed by her committal at Three Counties Crematorium and refreshments at The Hare and Hounds.
3.30pm	ASK
7.45pm	Identity Course – Church House

19 Friday

2.15pm	Bradbury House Service
7.30pm	Flower Club

21 Sunday

3rd of Epiphany

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Colin Fairweather
10.00am	Holy Communion – 'You have lost your first love' – Rev Nigel Adams
6.30pm	Evening Worship – 'God's gift' – Canon John Turton
7.30pm	Focus Youth Group

10.00 a.m.
Morning Worship

Service Lead: *Rev Nigel Adams*

1-4: Notices, Welcome and Greeting

Hymn: MP 109

5-6: Confession

Hymn: There is a hope that burns within my heart [words in next column]

Bible Reading: Isaiah 55 (page 744)

Estelle Wicks

Hymn: MP 1123

Bible Reading: Matthew 6: 25-33 (page 979)

Louisa Fisk

Hymn: MP 590

7-8: Creed

9-11: Prayers

Stuart Holdsworth

Hymn: MP 579

Sermon: 'Seek the Lord'

Cyril Bamforth

*Offertory during Hymn: MP 428

13-16: Blessing

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Communion: we have gluten free wafers available for Communion. Please ask one of the Wardens before the service rather than at the Communion rail if you need a gluten free wafer.

6.30 p.m.
Holy Communion

Service Lead: *Canon John Turton*

Celebrant: *Rev Nigel Adams*

Reading: 1 Samuel 1: 1-20 (page 271)

Jonathan Wicks

Prayers: *Jennifer Bailey*

Sermon: 'A cry from the heart'

Rev Nigel Adams

There is a hope that burns within my heart,
That gives me strength for ev'ry passing day;
a glimpse of glory now revealed in meager part,
Yet drives all doubt away;
I stand in Christ, with sins forgiv'n;
and Christ in me, the hope of heav'n!
My highest calling and my deepest joy,
to make His will my home.

There is a hope that lifts my weary head,
A consolation strong against despair,
That when the world has plunged me in its deepest pit,
I find the Saviour there!
Through present sufferings, future's fear,
He whispers, 'Courage!' in my ear.
For I am safe in everlasting arms,
And they will lead me home.

There is a hope that stands the test of time,
That lifts my eyes beyond the beckoning grave,
To see the matchless beauty of a day divine
When I behold His face!
When sufferings cease and sorrows die,
and every longing satisfied,
then joy unspeakable will flood my soul,
For I am truly home.

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For your prayers:

Unwell: Tabitha Sinka, Jim Winning, Alison Davey, Elaine Stoodley, Roy Smart, Gloria Boar

Housebound: Len Dove

Bereaved: the family of Lydia Benbrook, friends and family of Rosa Read and Archbishop Livingstone of the Chain Foundation Uganda.

Other Matters: Mission of the Month: Chain Foundation

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): Ruth, Stone & Florence.
- Joel Wicks (and family) training for ordination at Oak Hill College.

NOTICES

Dates for your diary:

27th January Women @ St Michael's Tenth Anniversary Conference Day
16th May Confirmation Service at Great Notley

The Identity Course: starts this Thursday in Church House at 7.45pm with drinks and puddings, ending at 9.30pm. Everyone is welcome! If you are able to provide a pudding for any of the forthcoming weeks, please sign the list on the table at the back of the Church.

Rosa Read: died suddenly and peacefully on 28 December. Rosa's funeral will take place on Thursday at 1.45pm. Everyone is invited to attend her committal at Three Counties Crematorium and refreshments at The Hare and Hounds afterwards.

Service and Preaching Programme January - April 2018: a new version is now available.

Monthly Prayer Diary: is currently being revised for 2018. Please speak to Lesley Davey if you wish to be included. There is space for all!

Bible Reading Group: is a new group starting at 7:45pm and finishing about 9:30pm. in Church House every Wednesday. The aim is to read through the whole Bible in a year using the NIV version, so please bring an NIV with you if you have one. Please feel free to join us for whatever meetings you can manage, even if it's only a few of them. If you have any questions, please speak to Dave Terris.

Church House cleaning: we urgently need a couple, or two friends, to join our rota for the fifth Friday of the month - this would be a total of 4 sessions per year. For more information please contact Pauline Bloomfield (344028) or email paulinebloomfield@yahoo.com.

Car Park Permits: it is time to renew carpark permits ready for 2018. If you have not already done so and require a permit, please complete the form available in church and return to Phil Bartlett-Rawlings as soon as possible.

Confirmation: there will be a Confirmation Service at Great Notley on the evening of Wednesday, 16th May 2018. Confirmation is about confirming the promises made on our behalf, if we were baptised as an infant. If you would like to be confirmed, or wish to find out more, please speak to Nigel Adams or Andy Carter.