

**Christmas Gift Collection for College House Mother & Baby Unit:** we are supporting the Peabody Trust, who run College House, with their request for Christmas gifts for their clients. They would welcome the following: Children's toys and/or clothes for ages 1-3 years; a few newborn items; female toiletry sets and some male toiletry items. A box will be placed at the back of the church for donations. Please do not wrap the gifts. If you require any further information please speak to Helen Hopkins.



# ST MICHAEL'S BRAINTREE

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## General Information

Vicar	Rev Nigel Adams	01376 807662
	<i>(Nigel's day off this week will be Saturday)</i>	
Churchwardens	Lesley Davey	01376 326969
	David Marriott	01376 349257
Honorary Curate	Rev Stephen Bailey	01376 619347
Children's and Youth Worker (part-time)	Andy Carter	01787 224577
Pastoral Assistant	Jo Adams	01376 807662

- **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: notices@stmichaelsbtree.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](http://www.stmichaelsbtree.co.uk)

Name(s).....  
 Address.....  
 Telephone .....

## Today

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Nigel Adams
10.00am	Morning Worship
10.00am	Junior Church
3.00pm	Civic Remembrance Service
6.30pm	Holy Communion
7.30pm	Focus Youth Group

## 11th November 2018 - 3rd before Advent

## This Week

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

### 12 Monday

12.15pm	Spotlight – Church House
7.30pm	White Horse Tavern
7.30pm	Bell Ringing
8.00pm	Badminton

### 13 Tuesday

1.15pm	Tiddlywinks
8.00pm	First Priority Prayer Meeting – Church House

### DECEMBER LINK SUBMISSION DUE

### 14 Wednesday

9.45am	Meeting Point Bible Study
10.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Stephen Bailey
7.45pm	Bible Reading Group – Church House
8.00pm	Lifebuilder Bible Study at 2 Hollybrook, off Julien Court Road

### 15 Thursday

2.45pm	Holy Communion at the Hawthorns – Rev Stephen Bailey
3.30pm	ASK
7.30pm	Rose Hill Bible Study at 56 Rose Hill

### 16 Friday

2.30pm	Bradbury House Service
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### 18 Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Nigel Adams
10.00am	Holy Communion – 'What God has joined together' – Rev Nigel Adams
6.30pm	Evening Worship – 'Wise Advice' – Roger Cooke
7.30pm	Focus Youth Group

### 2nd before Advent

**10.00 a.m.**  
**Morning Worship**

Service Lead: *Rev Nigel Adams*

1-4: Notices, Welcome and Greeting

Hymn: O God beyond all praising  
[words on separate sheet]

5-6: Confession

Hymn: MP 1102

Bible Reading: Psalm 46 (page 565)  
*Stuart Holdsworth*

Hymn: MP 188

Bible Reading: John 15: 9-17  
(page 1087)

*Graham Goodchild*  
Hymn: MP 1042

Sermon: 'A greater love'

*Colonel Dr Simon Tustin*

Hymn: MP 45

7-8: Creed

9-11: Prayers

*Jeff Wise*

***National Anthem MP 194 (verse 1)***

\*Offertory during Hymn: MP 445

13-16: Blessing

***\*see first bullet, back page***

**3.00 p.m.**  
**Civic Service at St Michael's**

Preacher: *Colonel Dr Simon Tustin*

**6.30 p.m.**  
**Holy Communion**

Service Lead: *Canon John Turton*

Celebrant: *Rev Nigel Adams*

Reading: Meditation on Psalm 19  
(page 547)

*Richard Richardson*

Prayers: *Jennifer Bailey*

Sermon: 'The Law of the Lord is  
perfect'

*Rev Nigel Adams*

**There will not be formal Gift Day this year:** although we are running at a loss to the end of October (see figures below) it is not on the scale of previous years. For this we are grateful to God and we thank all who have given to God's work at St Michael's.

Total income to date:	£120,042
Total costs to date:	-£122,224
Net result is a loss to date of:	-£2,182

**Carol Service:** we are planning to have our Carols by 'Candlelight' at 6.30 on 16th December and want a number of you to form a choir. We are not 'performing' any choir pieces but giving a strong lead to what will be well loved carols, in order to help those who are visitors to enjoy and appreciate the service, as well as the message of Christmas.

Please contact John Turton (327638 or [jturton@stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk](mailto:jturton@stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk)) or Nigel Adams if you are happy to help. Thank you.

**For your prayers:**

**Unwell:** Holly White (3yrs old heart operation postponed), Jim Wild (now home), Alison Davey, Lennie McClean (responding well to treatment), Elaine Stoodley

**Housebound:** Norah Hern

**Other Matters:** Mission of the Month: A Rocha

**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.

**Dates for your diary:**

20th November  
23rd November  
27th November  
16th December

**NOTICES**

Wisdom House - live: Care for the Family (see notice)  
Women@St Michael's Taste and See Craft Evening  
The Christian Institute meeting (see notice)  
Carol Service (see notice)

**New Foodbank Shopping List:** on the table in the crossing.

**Wisdom House - live:** Rob Parsons of Care for the Family will be speaking at Skylark Church in Chelmsford on Tuesday, 20th November 7.30-10.00pm. Rob will unpack some of the life lessons he has learned, with inspiring teaching, stories to touch your heart and time to laugh together. Please speak to Christine Hart if you would like to attend or share a lift.

**Women@St Michael's Taste and See Craft Evening:** will be held on Friday, 23rd November 7.00-9.30pm in Church House. There will be craft activities to try with Christmas delicacies to taste from a variety of outlets. We are planning a short epilogue during the evening which will be called simply 'TASTE and SEE'. Tickets available soon. See November LINK page 10.

**Church Family Christmas Dinner:** this year's church family Christmas dinner will be on Sunday, 9th December. Booking forms are now available and should be returned with payment to Helen Bartlett-Rawlings by Sunday, 25th November at the latest.

**The Christian Institute** will be holding a meeting on Tuesday, 27th November, 7.30-8.45pm at St Mary's Church, Henham, CM22 6AN. The Christian Institute is a non-denominational Christian charity committed to upholding the truths of the Bible. All are welcome to hear about the latest news on family, gospel freedom and gender ideology and their work in these areas – no ticket is required. For more information see [www.christian.org.uk](http://www.christian.org.uk).

**Governor for John Ray Juniors:** there is a vacancy for a local governor of the school. The prime role of the Governing Body is to monitor academic standards and to hold the headteacher to account for them. There is one key meeting a term and any training required will be provided. If you might be interested, please speak to Nigel Adams or Rev Stuart Ellis (07533 110986), who is Chief Executive Officer of the multi-academy trust that oversees John Ray Juniors.

*notices continued overleaf.....*