

Freewill Giving Envelopes: will be ready to collect from pigeonholes from Sunday, 1st December.

Christmas card deliveries: we are hoping to deliver 5,000 cards, inviting local residents to join us for our Christmas services and will be starting our deliveries on Sat 30th Nov. 10am at Church House.



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	Lin Terris	01376 322870
	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
Vicar's Personal Assistant	Helen Hopkins	01376 321248
Treasurer	Lesley Davey	01376 326969

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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: 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

Name(s).....

Address.....

Telephone

Email.....

Today

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Stephen Bailey
10.00am	Morning Worship – Suffering Church Sunday
10.00am	Junior Church
6.30pm	All-Age Tonight

Please join us for refreshments after the 10.00am service and at 6.00pm before the 6.30pm service

17th November 2019 - 22nd after Trinity

This Week

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

18 Monday

12.15pm	Spotlight
7.30pm	Bell Ringing <i>(but not at St Michael's)</i>
7.30pm	White Horse Tavern – Church House

19 Tuesday

1.15pm	Tiddlywinks
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20 Wednesday

9.45am	Meeting Point Bible Study
8.00pm	Lifebuilder Bible Study – 2 Hollybrook

21 Thursday

2.45pm	Holy Communion at The Hawthorns – Rev Stephen Bailey
3.30pm	ASK
7.30pm	Rose Hill Bible Study
7.50pm	Carry On Exploring – 42 College Road

24 Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Nigel Adams
10.00am	Holy Communion – 'God's building' – Ven Robin King, Archdeacon
6.30pm	Evening Worship – 'Sons and heirs' – Rev Nigel Adams

Sunday next before Advent

10.00 a.m.
Morning Worship

Suffering Church Sunday

Service Lead: *Rev Nigel Adams*

1-4: Notices, Welcome & Greeting

Hymn: MP 699

5-6: Confession

Hymn: MP 1181

7-8: Creed

Bible Readings: Genesis 1: 1-5 (page 1) & John 1: 1-5 (page 1068)

Phil Bartlett-Rawlings

Talk: 'Light in the darkness'

Graham Walker

Hymn: MP 1014

Bible Readings: Revelation 6: 9-11 & 7: 13-17 (page 1239)

Graham Goodchild

Talk: 'More Easter Laughter!'

Graham Walker

Hymn: I cast my mind to Calvary
[words on separate sheet]
(offering brought forward)

9-11: Prayers

Miriam Clark

Hymn: MP 402

13-16: Blessing

***Retiring offering for the work of
Open Doors***

6.00 for 6.30p.m.

All-Age Tonight

Service Lead: *Rev Nigel Adams*

Talk: 'The Rich Young Ruler'

Roger Cooke

All-Age Tonight - our evening service will include the youth band, some activities and short talk - there will be tea and cake from 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start. It will be youth-friendly (secondary school age and above), but the service is for all ages, so everyone is very welcome.

Christmas Bookstall: Sunday, 8th December supplied by '**10offthose.com**'. We encourage you to remain in church, have coffee and browse the bookstall before Christmas lunch. **Only one day** and not to be missed! Have to buy on the day but can use credit or debit cards.

Children's & Youth Worker: many thanks to those who kindly pledged money towards the additional cost of a full-time Children's & Youth Worker. The advert can be seen on our church website or the Chelmsford Diocese website under Vacancies. Applications need to be in by Thursday 28th November. Please pray and do speak to Nigel if you have any questions about this.

For your prayers:

Unwell: Richard Hollis, Lexi Allen, Helen Hopkins, David Harvey, Julia Allen, Alan Bass, Bobby McCaigue, Alison Davey, Elaine Stoodley

Housebound: David and Ann Harvey

Bereaved: Family & friends of Des Connolly.

Mission of the Month: Open Doors supports Christians in persecuted countries; this support comes in many forms, from providing Bibles and literature, media, leadership training, socio-economic development, educating and mobilising the body of Christ living in the free world to identify with threatened and persecuted Christians and through to prayer. Open Doors also publishes (annually) World Watch List - ranking the top 50 countries where the Christian faith costs the most. You can start supporting the work of Open Doors by asking God to strengthen these Christians in their faith.

Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday, 26th November
Friday, 29th November

Tuesday, 3rd December
Sunday, 8th December

NOTICES

Men's meal out (see notice)

Women@St Michael's Evening with Esther Thorpe - an Origami Masterclass (see notice)

Women@St Michael's Christmas Prayer Lunch
Church Christmas Lunch and bookstall

From Emily Fieran-Reed: To everyone at St Michael's, I want to say a massive THANK YOU for all your prayers and messages of support during my being ill and recovering - a wonderful church family!

Operation Christmas Child - Shoeboxes: Thank you very much all who have contributed this year in any way: boxes, fillers, attendance at coffee morning and donations. I have received a grand total of £334.31. The Halstead warehouse will be opening Monday 18th November until Friday 29th November from 09:00 until 21:00 Monday to Saturday. They will be very glad of help if you are able to get there. Please ask for further details. Jenny Chapman

Men's meal out: on Tues 26th Nov, 7.30pm at Eastern Aroma, 24 Railway Street, CM7 3JD. An All You Can Eat Buffet - £18.90. Menu & details are at the back of church - please sign up if you would like to join us.

Women@St Michael's: An evening with Esther Thorpe. Friday, 29th November 7.00-9.00pm in St Michael's School Hall. Cost £5: 11-18: £3. Soft drinks, wine and light refreshments. It would be a great help if anyone is willing to make small finger sized cake/biscuits (non messy!) for the refreshments. Please let Jennifer know if you are able to help. **Christmas Prayer Lunch:** in Church Tuesday, 3rd December 12.00-2.00pm.

Church Christmas Lunch: Sunday 8th December 12.30. Booking forms to book your place at the Church Christmas lunch are now available in church. Adults £10, Children 5-16 £5. Please return forms and payment to Helen Bartlett-Rawlings by Sunday 24th November at the latest.

Hustings: we will be hosting a General Election Hustings, with the candidates for our Braintree MP, on Thurs 28th Nov, 7.30pm in church.

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