



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
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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.

Today

8th December 2019 - 2nd of Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Nigel Adams
10.00am	Morning Worship
10.00am	Youth Church
12.30pm	Church Christmas Lunch <i>(if booked)</i>
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'

9 Monday

12.15pm	Spotlight
7.30pm	Bell Ringing <i>(but not at St Michael's)</i>

10 Tuesday

JANUARY LINK SUBMISSION DUE

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

11 Wednesday

9.45am	Meeting Point Bible Study
7.45pm	Discipleship Explored – Church House
8.00pm	Lifebuilder Bible Study – 2 Hollybrook

12 Thursday

3.30pm	ASK
7.50pm	Carry On Exploring – 42 College Road

15 Sunday

3rd of Advent

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Colin Fairweather
10.00am	Holy Communion – 'The Word became flesh' – Rev Nigel Adams
6.30pm	Carols by Candlelight – Jennifer Bailey
7.30pm	Focus Youth Group

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.....

10.00 a.m.
Morning Worship

Service Lead: Rev Stephen Bailey

1-4: Notices, Welcome & Greeting

Hymn: MP 204

5-6: Confession

Bible Reading: Isaiah 11: 1-10
(page 695)

Leigh Calder

Hymn: MP 976

'10 of Those book review'

Bible Reading: 1 Corinthians 4: 1-7
(page 1148)

Jim Hughes

Hymn: MP 795

7-8: Creed

9-11: Prayers

Valerie Wise

Hymn: MP 825

Sermon: 'Servants and stewards'

Cyril Bamforth

Hymn: MP 1227
(offering brought forward)

13-16: Blessing

6.30p.m.
Holy Communion

Service Lead and Celebrant:
Rev Nigel Adams

Reading: Galatians 4: 21-31
(page 1172)

Stephanie Hughes

Prayers: *Norma Huxter*

Sermon: 'Hagar and Sarah'
David Huxter

Gift Day: we are wanting to do a significant amount of work on our lighting (in both the Church and Church House) and the sound system and visual side in church. Please see the leaflet titled "Gift Day 2019 – Sharing the Light" for details. We are hoping to raise £24,000, and are very grateful for the £11,200 given at the Gift Day last week. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to give towards this, Gift Day envelopes are at the back of church. Please speak to Dave Marriott or Lin Terris, our churchwardens, if you have any questions about this.

Our Christmas services

Sunday 15 December

6.30pm Carol Service *

Saturday 21 December

4.00pm Crib and Christingle Service *

Christmas Eve

11pm Midnight Communion

Christmas Day

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Family Celebration *

* Refreshments served afterwards

For your prayers:

Unwell: Ron and Margaret Smith, Lexi and Jessica Allen, Richard Hollis, Helen Hopkins, David Harvey, Alan Bass, Bobby McCaigue, Alison Davey, Elaine Stoodley

Housebound: David and Ann Harvey

Mission of the Month: Church Pastoral Aid Society (CPAS) are patrons of our church along with 700 other evangelical churches. Their mission is to help everyone in this country to hear and discover the good news of Jesus Christ. They provide courses to develop leaders, training for clergy and lay leaders, helping in times of vacancy, and resourcing 1000's of leaders (PCC's included) to be more effective. They give over 4500 8-18 year olds, the fun, faith, and friendship on camps and houseparties.

Dates for your Diary:

Sunday, 15th December

Friday, 20th December

Saturday, 21st December

Tuesday, 24th December

NOTICES

Carol Service

Christingle making (see notice)

Crib and Christingle Service

Midnight Communion 11.00pm

LINK Magazine: for December is now available (30p).

Christmas Bookstall: today only supplied by '10offthose.com'. Please stay after the service, have coffee and browse the bookstall before Christmas lunch. Have to buy on the day, but can use credit or debit cards.

Christmas card deliveries: we have started to deliver 5,000 cards around the parish, with details of our Christmas services. They are in bundles. We would be very grateful if those who are able to could deliver some please.

Mince Pies for the Carol Service: If anyone is willing to make mince pies/ small cakes or biscuits to serve after the Carol Service next Sunday please let Jennifer know.

Discipleship Explored: is an 8 week course, looking at what it means to be a disciple or follower of Jesus. The course looks at Paul's letter to the Philippians and is held on Wednesdays 7.45 for tea & coffee, in the small hall of Church House. Please speak to Lin & Dave Terris if you have any questions. All welcome.

Car Park Permits. If you require a car park permit it is time to renew for 2020. Please complete the form available in church and return to Phil Bartlett-Rawlings. Permits will only be issued to people on the Electoral roll.

Freewill Giving Envelopes: are ready to collect from pigeonholes.

Volunteers who love oranges please come for Christingle making on Friday, 20th December from 1.30pm in the small hall.

Children's & Youth Worker: please pray as we are interviewing this week for a new Children's & Youth Worker.