

Prayer Diary: If you would like to be included in this please email Helen Hopkins on vicarspa@stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk or add your name to the sign up sheet on the table in the crossing.

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)	Rachel Grove Smith	07713 566667
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Vicar's Personal Assistant	Helen Hopkins	01376 321248
Treasurer	Lesley Davey	01376 326969

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Our Church Office, in Church House, is open on Mon, Tues & Thurs from 9.00am - 1.00pm. Tel; 01376 321248.

- **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@stmichaelsbtreetree.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.stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk

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Telephone

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Today

9th February 2020 - 3rd before Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Nigel Adams
10.00am	Morning Worship with Teen Challenge Team
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'

10 Monday

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

11 Tuesday

1.15pm	Tiddlywinks
1.15pm	Funeral of Margaret Smith
8.00pm	First Priority Prayer Meeting – Church House

12 Wednesday

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

13 Thursday

3.30pm	ASK
7.30pm	Rose Hill Bible Study
8.00pm	Carry on Exploring Bible Study

16 Sunday

8.00am	Holy Communion – Rev Colin Fairweather
10.00am	Holy Communion – 'Good news for everyone' – Rev Stephen Bailey
6.30pm	All-Age Tonight – 'Jesus and the devil - Courage in the face of pure evil' – Rev Nigel Adams
7.30pm	Focus Youth Group

10.00 a.m.
Morning Worship
Teen Challenge Team -
changed lives

Service Lead: Rev Nigel Adams

Notices, Welcome & Greeting

Hymn: MP 870

The service will be led by the
Teen Challenge Team

Hymn: MP 924
(offering brought forward)

Blessing

There will be a retiring offering for
the work of Teen Challenge

Talking Jesus: as part of our preparation for the Food for Thought Weekend we are running a 6-week course, for everyone at St Michael's Church. Each of the six sessions includes time studying the Bible, discussions in small groups and inspirational videos with real-life examples of people who are talking Jesus. It will run on six consecutive Monday evenings from 24th February, 7.45pm for tea & coffee and an 8pm start. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church, if you plan to join us, so we know how many course guides to order. Speak to Nigel Adams if you have any questions about this.

6.30pm
Holy Communion

Service Lead and Celebrant:

Rev Nigel Adams

Reading: Galatians 6: 11-18
(page 1173)

Richard Richardson

Prayers: *Helen Kemp*

Sermon: 'Boast in the cross alone'
Canon John Turton

Church House clear out: there are 13 child size white plastic garden chairs, a drum kit, 4 tube light fittings, lots of old lighting tubes (unused), 3 Gagat Ikea table battery lights (C-type batteries) and a short church pew available for a donation towards new sofas for the youth group as the old leather sofa needs to be replaced.

Additional items available: 1 sit in baby walker, 2 trikes, a plastic tunnel, blue/yellow ride on, a push along baby walker and a CD storage unit. Most items are being stored on the stage in the Main Hall, Church House.

Please also check the lost property box in Church and the clothes left in the corridor in Church House. Any items not taken will be donated to charity during February half term week.

Any questions contact Dave or Lin (Churchwardens).

For your prayers:

Unwell: Elizabeth Johnson, Jenny Chapman, Alan Bass, Ron Smith, Alison Davey, Elaine Stoodley

Bereaved: Ron Smith and family following the death of Margaret (Funeral on Tues 11th Feb, 1.15pm in St Michael's Church);

Housebound: David and Ann Harvey

Mission of the Month: Crosslinks Our mission partners Jirka and Keira Kralovi continue to work with young people as well as Jirka teaching future Czech church leaders at the Czech Bible Institute. Please pray for Jirka for his vital role in evangelising students as well as teaching them about Jesus Christ and for his role in training future Czech church leaders. Also, pray for Keira as she welcomes students at the same time looking after her family and home. Please also pray that the students that Jirka and Keira meet will come to know Jesus Christ.

Dates for your Diary:

Monday, 24th February
Saturday, 29th February
Friday, 24th - 26th April

NOTICES

Talking Jesus (see notice)
Beetle Drive (see notice)
Food for Thought Weekend (see notice)

Bible Reading Group: The Bible Reading Group are not meeting this week, but if you want to join us it's not too late to do so, just turn up, no need to let me know in advance. We will meet again on Tuesday, 18th February.

We are having a **Beetle Drive** on Sat 29th Feb, 6.30-9.00pm in Church House. It will be a lively and enjoyable evening and is suitable for anyone 6 years upwards. Tickets: £1 adult, 50p children available from Christine Hart, Jo Adams, Sue Marriott, Lin Terris or Jonathan Wicks.

"Food for Thought Weekend": we are having a weekend of events, with a team of students from Oak Hill College, from Fri 24th to Sun 26th April. We will give more information about the events in due course. Please note the dates in your diary and start thinking about who you might invite to join us.

Foodbank Lent Appeal: We are launching our annual Lent Appeal ahead of Ash Wednesday on 26th February. During Lent there are two ways to support someone in food crisis. Either by putting aside 40p for 40 days donating £16 at the end of 40 days. Cheques made payable to Braintree Area Foodbank Ltd and given to Helen Hopkins or via the website www.braintreearea.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/. Or follow the ADLENT calendar donating one item per day for 40 days taking the items to one of the collection points. Calendars are available from the table in the aisle crossing. Thank you for your support.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting: this will take place on Tues 19th May, 7.45pm, in Church House.

Electoral Roll: if you are baptised, aged 16 or over, and either live in the parish or have attended St Michael's for 6 months, you are eligible to join our Electoral Roll. Please consider joining if you are part of our church. Being a member of the Electoral Roll allows you to both stand for the PCC and to vote at our annual meeting. Application forms are at the back of church and should be returned to Sandra Savill or placed in the letter rack for her. Please speak to Nigel Adams if you have any questions about this.

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