

**BYPC:** 'The Hut' has a new home! Cottages, St Michael's Road (opposite the fountain). They are hoping to open the doors of the new venue for youth sessions by mid-December.



# ST MICHAELS BRAINTREE

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## General Information

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| Vicar                        | Vacancy             |              |
| Churchwardens                | Cyril Bamforth      | 01376 328406 |
|                              | Lesley Davey        | 01376 326969 |
| Honorary Curate              | Revd Stephen Bailey | 01376 619347 |
| Youth Worker                 | Andy Carter         | 01787 224577 |
| Children and Families Worker | Joel Wicks          | 01376 348471 |

- **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.**
- Parish Surgery 6.30-7.30pm every Friday. Church House Office open for any parochial matters, baptism, marriage requests, prayer needs, spiritual support.
- 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.
- 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.
- Prayer ministry is available in the Jesus Chapel after the 10am and 6.30pm services. If you go, a prayer minister will attend to you.
- 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 Friday) email: mkinniburgh@live.co.uk Telephone 01376 330013.

If you are new to St Michaels, 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)

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## Today

## 20 November 2016 - Christ the King A day of Prayer and Fasting

|          |                                     |
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| 8.00am   | Holy Communion – Revd Sarah Hayward |
| 10.00am  | Holy Communion                      |
| 10.00am  | Youth Church                        |
| 2-4.00pm | Church Open for Prayer              |
| 6.30pm   | Evening Worship                     |
| 7.30pm   | Focus Youth Group                   |

*Please join us for refreshments after the 10am and 6.30pm services*

## This Week

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

### **21 Monday**

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

### **22 Tuesday**

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| 1.15pm | Tiddlywinks                          |
| 7.00pm | Christianity Explored – Church House |

### **23 Wednesday**

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| 9.45am | Meeting Point Bible Study                       |
| 8.00pm | Bible Study Groups: Chestnut Grove, Lifebuilder |

### **24 Thursday**

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| 2.15pm | Women's Fellowship             |
| 3.30pm | ASK                            |
| 7.30pm | PCC                            |
| 8.00pm | Carry on Exploring Bible Study |

### **25 Friday**

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| 7.30pm | St Michaels School Quiz Night |
| 7.30pm | Flower Club                   |

### **27 Sunday**

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|         | <b>1st of Advent</b>  |
| 8.00am  | Holy Communion – Revd Olivia Maxfield-Coote                     |
| 10.00am | Morning Worship – 'The door' – Roger Cooke                      |
| 6.30pm  | Evening Worship – 'Complete the rebuilding' – Stephen Bazlinton |
| 7.30pm  | Focus Youth Group   |
| 8.00pm  | Prayer Meeting – Jesus Chapel                                   |

**10.00 a.m.**  
**Holy Communion**

Service Lead: *Cyril Bamforth*

1-2: Welcome and Peace

3: Hymn: MP 809

4: Prayer

5-8: Commandments, Prayer for  
Sovereign and Collect

9: Bible Reading: Ezekiel 34: 11-16  
(page 873)

*Lesley Davey*

10: Hymn: MP 328

11: Gospel: John 10: 1-21  
(page 1080)

*Jack Green*

12-13: Creed

14: Notices

15: Hymn: MP 1129

16: Sermon: 'The good shepherd'

*Revd Stephen Bailey*

17: Hymn: MP 1008

18: \*Offertory

19: Prayers of Intercession

*Peter Schaad*

20: Prayers of Penitence

21-25: Confession

26-30 Preparation

31: Communion

32-34: Prayers after Communion

35: Gloria

36: Hymn: MP 944

37: Blessing

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

**6.30 p.m.**  
**Evening Worship**

Service Lead: *Janet Bamforth*

Reading: Zephaniah 2: 1-7  
(page 953)

*Richard Richardson*

Prayers: *Jennifer Bailey*

Sermon: 'Shake up the people'  
*Canon John Turton*

**Back Burner Questions**

- Is there a real presence in communion? (Irenaeus);
- Were the early fathers so theological they forgot the living heart of the Christian faith? Is theology too academic and not practical enough? (Irenaeus);
- Did Adam and Eve worship God in the garden of Eden? In other words what was their relationship with God? (Irenaeus);
- Is the church a nation state? When Constantine officially adopted the Christian faith did he in effect destroy it? (Augustine);
- Does Christianity need opposition to function properly? (Augustine);
- Who are the heavenly rulers and authorities? Ephesians 3:10;
- Augustine said 'the Eucharist is a visible word.' What did he mean?;
- Do you agree with the 'replacement theory'?;
- What's the value of studying the early church fathers?

**For your prayers:**

**Unwell:** Hilary Schaad, Chinyere Gloria Umeh (recovering from op), Elaine Stoodley (post op), Mary (Joyce and Norman's grand-daughter, post-op), Doris Kennell, David Henfrey (cancer treatment)

**Housebound:** Eva Hudson, Norah Hern

**Other Matters:** Mission of the Month - CMS in Latin America

**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): Bishop Livingstone and Ruth, Stone & Florence.

**NOTICES**

**Christmas Bookstall:** will be available today, 27 November and 4 December. Come and browse and buy in time for Christmas.

**St Michaels School Annual Quiz Night:** Friday 7.30pm in the School Hall. £8.50 per person to include fish & chips or sausage & chips supper. Maximum 8 per team (adults only). Forms in church or contact Katie Whitlock (340836) for further details.

**Back-Burner Evening:** White Horse Tavern is holding a Back-Burner Evening on Monday, 28 November at 7.30pm in Church House. The questions that have come up on recent Monday evenings are listed in the column on the left. All are welcome. As Mrs Bouquet might say, there will be 'seasonal refreshments'!

**Church Family Christmas Lunch:** Sunday, 11 December. Booking forms are now available in church. Please return completed forms to book your place to Helen Bartlett-Rawlings by next Sunday.

**Prayer Diary 2017:** we will be producing a prayer diary for 2017. Your name will remain unless you wish to be removed. If you would like your name to be added, or there are any amendments, please let Lesley know by 4 December.

**Free Will Envelopes:** will be ready to be collected from pigeon holes from Sunday, 4 December.

**3 Wise Men and a Baby:** the talented children of St Michaels Church will be performing "3 Wise Men and a Baby" on the evening of Saturday, 17 December. More details to follow at a later date. Parents please see Lauryn Wicks if you have not yet received a letter with the details.

**Car Park Permits 2017:** Renewal time is here again. Would all those requiring a permit for 2017 please complete the application form, available in the Welcome Area and return with payment to Chris Jones. The cost this year is £15 for the whole year, an increase, but still great value!

**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes:** Thank you very much for everything we have received. The warehouse will be open on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays if you would like to volunteer a day or more. Please contact Jenny Chapman (326030), Frankie Winning (323320) or Sue Marriott (349257).

*notices continued overleaf .....*