



ST MICHAEL'S BRAINTREE



31st July 2022 - Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Our Summer Plans

Over the six-week school holiday, we will be having Family Services at 10am in church, learning about some "Friends of Jesus"

"Mary sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. ... Jesus said, "Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her." (Luke 10:39-40 & 42)

- Sun 31st July 10.00am **Family Service:** *"Listening to Jesus"*
(Luke 10:38-42)
6.30pm **Holy Communion:** *"The hatred of the world"*
(John 15:18-16:4)
- Sun 7th Aug 10.00am **Family Service:** *"Who needs a doctor?"*
(Mark 2:13-17)
- Sun 14th Aug 10.00am **Family Service:** *"Seeing is believing"*
(John 20:24-29)
- Sun 21st Aug 10.00am **Family Service:** *"Telling others"* (John 1:35-42)
Fish & Chip lunch with Jirka & Keira Kralovi and family
in Church House
6.30pm **Holy Communion:** *"The work of the Holy Spirit"*
(John 16:4-15)
- Sun 28th Aug 8.00am **Holy Communion:** *"True Greatness"*
(Mark 10:35-45)
10.00am **Family Service:** *"True Greatness"* (Mark 10:35-45)

General Information

Vicar	Rev Nigel Adams	01376 807662
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	<i>(Nigel's day of rest will be on Friday this week)</i>	
Churchwardens	Lin Terris	01376 322870
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Children's and Youth Worker (part-time)	Rachel Grove Smith	07713 566667
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Treasurer	Lesley Davey	01376 326969

Contact Margaret Kinniburgh to add items to the Notice Sheet (by noon **Thursday**) email: notices@stmichaelsbtree.co.uk. Telephone 01376 330013.

Keeping in touch

To phone, please leave a message on the church office phone (01376 321248).

St. Michael's Church website is on the following link - <http://stmichaelsbtree.co.uk/website/> (If this does not work, you might need to clear your browsing history/web cache from your browser. In most browsers this can be done using Ctrl+Shift+Del.) On this page you can see our Magazine, Notice sheets, Annual reports and other details and will be able to access our Sunday online services.

Our Facebook page is: www.facebook.com/stmichaelschurchbraintree/

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.

Name(s)

Address

Telephone

Email

Church Services:

We are having services in the church building, via YouTube, by phone. Our forthcoming services will be:

Sunday, 31st July

9.00am Next Plus Breakfast (14-18s)

10.00am Family Service - *'Listening to Jesus'* - Luke 10: 38-42

6.30pm Holy Communion - *'The hatred of the world'* - John 15: 18-16: 4

Sunday, 7th August

9.00am Next Plus Breakfast (14-18s)

10.00am Family Service - *'Who needs a doctor?'* - Mark 2: 13-17

Some of our services are now being video recorded, using a camera on a pillar, and uploaded later to YouTube. Please note that those sitting in the front three rows, in the centre, may be on the video recording.

In church

- **Legal requirements** for most Covid restrictions have now been dropped and replaced with guidance and advice. Government guidelines recommend **face coverings** in enclosed or crowded places, particularly where you come into contact with people you don't normally meet. People are encouraged to respect other attendees and those working who may wish to adopt a more cautious approach.
- If you wish to be socially distanced, please take a sticker saying, "**Please give me space**" and/or sheets to place on the seats next to you saying, "**Please do not sit here**".
- If you have had a **recent positive Covid test**, **Covid-19 symptoms** or feel **unwell**, please do not attend church, out of respect for others.

Online

Our YouTube services can be accessed through the "St Michael's – Worship on the Web" YouTube channel and are generally updated during the week after the Sunday service.

Coffee@St Michael's is starting up again in September in St Michael's church – it will be on the first Thursday of the month (apart from September) from 10am – 12noon. The dates for the Autumn Term will be Thursdays 8th Sept, 6th Oct, 4th Nov & 1st Dec. Everyone is very welcome.

For your prayers:

Unwell: Audrey Hennessey, Michael Frater, Alan Bass, Norman Plastow, Jim Roberts, Margaret Goodchild, Dennis Buston, Richard Hunte (Naj McCaigue's father), Cyril Bamforth's sister Maureen, Lee Evans, Katherine Cridland, David Harvey, Elaine Stoodley, Rev Norman Thorp (former curate of St Paul's Braintree)

Housebound: Anne Harvey

Bereaved: Please pray for Rev Pam Davies, family & friends, following Trevor's death.

Mission of the Month: Langham Partnership *Victoria Marsay writes* "Langham Partnership's vision is to see churches equipped for mission and growing to maturity in Christ through the ministry of pastors and leaders who believe, teach and live by the word of God. Our mission is to strengthen the ministry of the word of God through nurturing movements for biblical preaching; fostering the creation and distribution of evangelistic literature; enhancing evangelistic theological education, especially in countries where churches are under resourced."

Jirka & Keira Kralovi, our Crosslinks mission links, will be joining us, with their family on **Sun 21st Aug** for the 10am family service. We will be also having a fish & chip lunch in Church House, which will give us the opportunity to hear more about their work in the Czech Republic. Please note the date for your diary. There is a sign up sheet at the back of the church for the fish and chip lunch. Please let us know if you would like to stay for lunch.

Hope Explored is a 3 week course, from the Christianity Explored team. It asks the question, "*What's the best future you could ever imagine?*" and looks at where we seek our Hope, Peace and Purpose in life. We will be running it in the autumn term on Wednesdays 21st & 28th Sept and 5th Oct from 7.30pm on Zoom. Please speak to Nigel or Jo Adams if you have any questions or would like to join us.

Weekend Away – Fri 17th - Sun 19th Feb 2023 at Kings Park, Northampton. Rev Alasdair Payne, Vicar of St Andrew the Great Cambridge and author, will be our main speaker. The weekend is with a group of churches and applications will be on a "first come, first-served" basis. Details are on the leaflet available by email or in church.