



# St Michael's Church, Boldmere

12th December 2010  
3rd Sunday of Advent

## WELCOME

If you are **visiting** for the first time today a particular welcome to you. We have a Loop System.

Today the children will go to their groups, please see notice on back page.

There is a crèche area in the South Aisle for children under four with parents supervision.

**Coffee, tea and squash** are available in the South Aisle after both the 9am and 10.30am services.

### Collect for the Week

God for whom we watch and wait,  
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of your Son:  
give us courage to speak the truth,  
to hunger for justice,  
and to suffer for the cause of right,  
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

## ***This Sunday's Services 12th December***

### **9.00 am Holy Communion**

*Leader and Preacher Paul*

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### **10.30 am Morning Worship**

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### **6 00 pm Holy Communion**

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**7.00 pm Carol Singing in the Parish,  
meet at the Lych Gate**

## **Diary for week**

The office will be open

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30am —2.30pm**

### **Monday 13th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

7.00 pm Choir Practice

8.00 pm PCC

### **Tuesday 14th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

### **Wednesday 15th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

10.00 am Holy Communion

### **Thursday 16th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

7.00 pm South Aisle Fellowship Christmas Meal

### **Friday 17th December**

9.00 am

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# CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2010

## Sunday 19th December

9.00am – Holy Communion  
10.30am – Children's Nativity Service  
6.00pm – Lessons and Carols



## Christmas Eve 24th December

4.00pm – Christmas Celebration  
11.30pm – Midnight Holy Communion



## Christmas Day 25th December

9.00am – Holy Communion (BCP)  
10.30am – Christingle

## Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December

One service only  
10.00am – Holy Communion



## Carol Service - Sunday 19th December 6pm

St Michael's Choir invites you to come and get into the festive spirit and join us for our carol service. We hope to set you on the road leading to Christmas with a selection of carols, some well-known and some that will be new to you. Come and celebrate with us and finish your weekend with the warm feeling that the singing of carols can surely bring.

## Christmas Services

There is a sign-up sheet at the back at church for all who would like to be involved in reading, assisting or praying at any of the Christmas services, including next weeks Carol Service.

~~Please sign against the duty offered...~~ Thanks Paul

Look out, look out there is a vicar about  
Well at least online  
Check out the vicars blog at [www.stmichaels.org.uk/blog](http://www.stmichaels.org.uk/blog)  
And on Twitter type in 'StMichaelsVicar' (no spaces) and follow  
Both are to help, encourage, provoke thought about  
discipleship and aid us in our Christian journey  
Check them out  
See you soon  
Paul

### **Christmas Flowers**

If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of the flowers in Church over Christmas there is a collection box at the back of the church. Thank you Chris Reeves

CHRISTMAS CARDS ~ one greeting fits all ~  
Send your good wishes to everyone at St Michael's by signing one of the Christmas cards at the back of church and adding it to the display.  
Donations in aid of SAVE THE CHILDREN should be placed in one of the blue envelopes provided, and handed in to the Duty Warden



**Save the Children**  
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### **Christingles**

As usual we will be making them on Christmas Eve, in the south aisle, at 2.00pm. Please come and help (the more that come, the quicker it gets done)

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## NEW OSCOTT VILLAGE

Churches Together since September have been holding a weekly evening service at the Village on Tuesdays and it is St Michael's "turn" this week.

The service will be held in the ground floor Hall at 6pm on Tuesday 14th December - I invite anyone who is able, to come and join us - you will be given a warm welcome and there is a lovely atmosphere of fellowship there. The entrance to the village is on Fosseyway Drive off Court Lane.

Your support would be appreciated.

Thank you

Ann Willis

## Christmas Service Leaflets

There are Christmas service leaflets at the back of church to be distributed around Boldmere. If you could help by delivering to one road it would be greatly appreciated.

## Traidcraft.

Just to remind everyone that there will be a sale of fairly traded goods before and after this weeks 10.30 service.

## Coffee Rota– help

Would you like to be more involved with church,

Can you make tea and coffee

If so please join the coffee rota

You would be making coffee as part of a team not more than once every six weeks– the more teams we have the better.

If you want any info ask Liz or any member of the rota.

Please note that although at the moment it is mostly

female. **men are welcome too.**

## MISSION FELLOWSHIP

The December meeting has been cancelled - the next meeting will be in the New Year on Friday 21st January 2011 at 3.15pm in the Guide Hall.

Ann Willis

**Giles Cook and Claire Salter would like to invite everyone to their wedding service at 11.30am on Friday 17 December at St. Michaels Church.**

### **Luncheon Club- Help Desperately Needed**

We are short of helpers and would be grateful for any offers to cook or set up tables or help with transport. Your help would be needed for about 2 hours one week per month and any enquires about this should go to Ruth Yates 354 4248

### **South Aisle Fellowship Thursday 16<sup>h</sup> December**

Christmas Buffet and Entertainment

7.00 pm for 7.15 pm start

Reservations and Travel Problems phone Joyce Hulbert  
354 7693

South Aisle Fellowship will not be meeting in January  
or February

## **Christmas Cards and Paper**

A large selections of Christmas cards, paper etc is available for sale in the Choir Vestry and in the Church Hall. All profits from the sale of goods goes to St. Michael's Church, so please support as much as you can. Ruth Yates

## **Date for your diary**

Social committee have organised a comedy evening on Friday 28th January 2011 - 7.00 for 7.30 pm at the church hall. Tony Vino, a very funny, straight-talking comedian, will entertain. £6 per ticket, to include Supper. Please bring your own drink. Book this fun evening in your diary now!

## **Pink Rota**

The availability forms for February—April January 2011 are now at the back of church. Please return to the church office by Sunday 19th December Thanks Liz Carr

## ***Next Sunday's Services 19th December***

### **9.00 am Holy Communion**

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### **10.30 am Nativity Service**

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### **6 00 pm Nine Lessons and Carols**

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## **Sunday Groups for Children**

The Crèche Area in the South Aisle is for children below 4 years, under parents / carer supervision.

Reception - Y8 meet in the Upper Room

Y9+ = stay in church

### **PASTORAL TEAM**

We have a Pastoral team who can offer support in an ongoing or urgent situation. If you would like someone to visit then please contact Liz in the office (details on the back of the Green Sheet) or Paul or anyone in the Team (details in the Magazine).

## **Collection**

A collection is usually taken in every service to support the work of St Michael's and the wider Diocese of Birmingham. Do not feel obliged to give, it is purely voluntary. However if you wish to give regularly then the best way is by Standing Order and if you pay tax to sign a Gift Aid form so we can claim the tax back. For more details regarding our finances and giving then please see the Vicars Bulletin.

## **Points of Contact**

### **Vicar:**

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(off Saturdays)

**Youth Minister**— Gavin Hicks 07746 887335

**Student Youth Minister** - Kate Hammond 07814 842010

### **Church Office:**

Liz Claybrook—

Monday, Wednesday Friday 9.30— 2.30pm

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