



# St Michael's Church, Boldmere

12th February 2012

2nd Sunday before Lent

WELCOME

If you are **visiting** for the first time today  
a particular welcome to you.

## Some notes that might help you:

Whenever you are invited to stand please feel free to remain seated if this is more comfortable for you.

We have a Loop System. If you have a hearing aid with a 'T' setting, simply switch it to 'T'.

When the screen is used there are usually paper copies available at the back of church. Please ask.

## Children @ 10:30am service:

There is a crèche area in the South Aisle for children under four with parents supervision that can be used at any point in the service.

Today Children & Young People will go to their groups.  
Upstairs (Ages 4 to Year 6 inclusive),  
Downstairs (Year 7 to Year 11 inclusive).

Please do stay after the service and **coffee, tea, squash, biscuits** are available in the South Aisle after both the 9am and 10.30am services. We look forward to chatting with you.

## Collect for the week

**Almighty God,  
give us reverence for all creation  
and respect for every person,  
that we may mirror your likeness  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

## ***Sunday's Services– 12th February***

### **9.00 am Holy Communion**

*Leaders: Manda and Tony Platts Preacher: Tony*

Colossians 1:15-20 Page 1117

John 1:1-14 Page 1004

### **10.30 am Morning Worship**

*Leader: Manda Preacher : Gav*

Isaiah 43: 18-25 Page 692

Mark 2: 1-12 Page 948

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

*Leader and Preacher|: Richard*

Proverbs 8:1,22-31 page 611

John 1:1-14 Page 1004

## **Diary for week**

**The office will be open Monday — Friday**

**9.30am –2.30pm**

### **Monday 13th February**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Choir Practice 7 –7.45 Men

7.45—8.30 Ladies

### **Tuesday 14th February**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

### **Wednesday 15th February**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

10.00 am Holy Communion

### **Thursday 16th February**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

### **Friday 17th February**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

**Come and find out more about Mark's Gospel and what it means to follow Jesus.**

Revd Paul Fitzpatrick (Tutor of Pastoral Theology) is coming to explore this short but powerful book during Lent.  
Thursdays 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm – 9.00pm

All four will have a slightly different emphasis and style so there should be something for everyone over the course and also mean if you miss one you won't be disadvantaged.

**HOW DO YOU DO ..... EASTER AT HOME?**

An evening for parents to:

Meet with one another

Enjoy a glass of wine and a scrummy pudding (or coffee and cake)

Share ideas about ways to celebrate Easter in your own home

See and hear about some resources which are available

**TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 7.30PM for puddings  
ST MICHAELS CHURCH**

Children's knowledge of God, Jesus and the Bible will come from many sources, church, school, friends, but also from parents and things done in your home. This evening aims to give parents space to stop and think about this.

**Faith All together In The Home**

Start children off in the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it (Proverbs 22:6)

To say you are coming or if you have any questions see Manda (0121 355

## **Family Evening**

There will be a

### **Pancake Party for Young Families**

on Saturday 25th February

It will be held in the Church Hall from 5.00pm until 7.00pm.

Cost £5 per Family

Please sign the list at the back of church or ring  
Lin Benson 373 1227 or Trudy Walsh 355 4128

## **New Oscott Village Service**

It's St Michael's turn to conduct the Village service on  
Tuesday 14th February at 6pm.

I should be grateful for support if anyone is free to come along.

Please contact me for further details

Thank you

Ann Willis - 243 3168

## **Aston and Nechells Foodbank**

The Aston and Nechells Foodbank has been open since November last year and serves those in situations of food poverty starting in the B6 and B7 area, and beyond. Under the Trussell Trust model we seek to partner with local agencies, school, churches, social services and key workers who can refer those who are in need of support.

Packages containing three days worth of food and toiletries are distributed from locations in Aston and Nechells once a week.

We also provide a sign-posting service to try and help clients address the root causes of food poverty, guiding them to where they can get help with benefit, debt, housing and health advice.

We would like to thank St Michael's for their support of the project so far through donations of food and volunteers and hope that our visit on the 19th February will help answer any questions you may have about the project. We look forward to seeing you then!

Project managers Olly and Givanow

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## **THE BIG BREAKFAST FOR MALAWI, FEBRUARY 25<sup>th</sup>**

You are invited to a Big Breakfast for Malawi at St Columba's Church Hall, Banners Gate Road, B73 6TX, on Saturday February 25<sup>th</sup> at 8.30am.

The guest speaker is **Andrew Mitchell MP**, Secretary of State for International Development. Andrew will speak for 5-10 minutes about support for Malawi, both official and non-official, and will then take questions.

You're promised a delicious breakfast with Fairtrade ingredients and stimulating company. Please book in advance to help us plan the catering, by phoning Liz Carr on 354 3769 or emailing her at [liz.carr@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:liz.carr@blueyonder.co.uk). The suggested donation is £5. The Big Breakfast is sponsored by the Malawi Birmingham Partnership and Medic Malawi and will benefit both charities equally. Other Big Breakfasts are being arranged in homes and halls across Birmingham and more widely.

*Richard Tucker, St Columba's*

### **4th Sunday Lunch Sunday 26th February**

The lunch is open to everyone and all are welcome but would you please sign the sheet at the back of church to help with the catering. (there is a small charge to cover costs)

### **MALAWI CONTAINER 6.**

The next container leaves from Newtown in 8 weeks' time, on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Once again the 'Malawi team' are looking for good used gifts for schools, hospitals and community projects. This includes children's and some adult clothing. For a factsheet with more details, please ask Judith Grubb on 0121 7071806, email [<judith.grubb1@btinternet.com>](mailto:judith.grubb1@btinternet.com). Richard Tucker can also answer queries, 0121 354 5873. Thank you!

This is Bonny "I am determined to start my own business with the making and selling of curtains & soft furnishings. Also offering ironing services. I need to compliment this with the sale of clothing and children's toys. So if you can, please help me by letting me have unwanted clothing items or small toys for re-sale. I will be pleased to hear from you and to arrange collection. Please give me a call on 07791 975280. Thank You" \_

### **St Michaels Book Group**

The next book that we are reading is

#### **Travelling Light by Max Lucado**

A book based on Psalm 23 and looks at releasing us from the baggage and burdens we carry.

Please note there are numerous books of this title so do get the right author!

We will meet on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February.**

Venue to be confirmed.

All Welcome.

Any questions contact Manda Howett 0121 355 4494 or  
[amanda@stmichaels.org.uk](mailto:amanda@stmichaels.org.uk)

A huge thank you for all the donations I have received which has enabled me to buy the Be Cherished books for the Girls Bible study group. If you have donated money for the books then i will be at the back of church for the next couple of weeks with the books so you can write a message to the young lady your book will be going to. Once again a massive thank you!!

Hannah

**I am swimming a Big Splash Mile for Sport Relief!**

Please sponsor me at [www.swimathon.org](http://www.swimathon.org).

Click on 'Sponsor a Swimmer', then select 'Distance Challenge'  
– 'Sponsor a Swimmer' and search for [Celeste Clark](#).

I really appreciate your support – thank you.

I am looking for a home for a single, electric motor driven, bed.  
If anyone wants it please contact me as below. Collect only.

Elaine Riley

50 Corbridge Road

Sutton Coldfield

West Midlands

B73 6NW 0121 354 4157

**South Aisle Fellowship**

The next meeting for the South Aisle Fellowship will be  
20th March 2012

***Sunday's Services– 19th February***

**9.00 am Holy Communion**

**10.30 am Morning Worship with Holy Communion**

**6 00 pm Holy Communion**

Readings for all services

2 Kings 2: 1-12

Mark 9: 2-9

**Ash Wednesday Holy Communion Services 22nd February**

10 am Usual Wednesday Morning BCP service in Chapel

7.30 pm Ash Wednesday Communion with Ashes

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## 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.

## 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)

## Points of Contact

### Vicar:

Revd Paul Rattigan, 209 Station Road, B73 5LE.

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(off Saturdays)

### Curate:

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**Youth Minister**—Gavin Hicks 07746 887335

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**Assistant Youth Minister**—Hannah Borg (phone via Gav )

email: hannahborg92@hotmail.com

### Verger:

Michelle Johnson -Tuesday—Friday 354 9364, 07982 948827

**Church Office:** 9.30am – 2.30pm Tel: 373 0207.

Liz Claybrook, Parish Administrator-Monday, Wednesday Friday

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Rob Adams, Communications Officer— Tuesday and Thursday

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