



St Michael's Church, Boldmere

13th March 2011
1st Sunday of Lent

WELCOME

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

Keep up to date via the website

You can download the notice sheet, sermons and follow my blog and twitter @ www.stmichaels.org.uk– Paul

Today the children will go to their groups, please see the notice at the back of this booklet.

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

Heavenly Father,
your Son battled with the powers of darkness,
and grew closer to you in the desert:
help us to use these days to grow in wisdom and prayer
that we may witness to your saving love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

This Sunday's Services 13th March

9.00 am Holy Communion

Leader: Paul Preacher: Martin

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Matthew 4: 1-11 Page 915

10.30 am Morning Worship

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6 00 pm Holy Communion

Leader: Francis Preacher: Paul

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Diary for week

The office will be open

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9.30am —2.30pm

Monday 14th March

7.00 Choir Practice

7.00—7.45 Men

7.45—8.30 Ladies

8.00 pm Churchyard Committee

Tuesday 15th March

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

8.00 pm South Aisle Fellowship

Wednesday 16th March

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

10.00 am Holy Communion

Thursday 17th March

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Friday 18th March

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

3.15 pm Mission Fellowship in the Guide Hall

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Jack Piggott's Funeral

There are still places left on the coach to the funeral, please contact Millar Bownass on 321 1600 if you wish to attend cost £15

Due to parking problems in Church Road the coach will now be leaving from the Church Hall at 8am not the Church

Church communications officer

Wanted – someone to enable excellence in both internal and external communication. This role will be a key interface between church members, the general public, and the staff team. Office based Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am – 3pm. Contact Paul ASAP for more details.

Any Questions?

Do you have any questions from the Bible Reading Plan or any other Bible questions? Then there will be a meeting to try and answer them on Thursday 24th March, 7.30pm in the South Aisle in Church. All welcome.

Malawi Octave

From the 13th to the 20th March the Diocese is thinking and praying about our link with Malawi. Do use the prayer bookmark given out on the 13th to help you be part of this.

Teas & Coffees on a Sunday Morning

Please note that the PCC overwhelmingly passed a motion last week to no longer ask for donations for our refreshments on a Sunday morning. There have been a number of embarrassing moments recently and it was felt this does not help our welcome. If people would like to contribute to the costs then please put the extra in the general collection during the service.

Many thanks, Paul.

Traidcraft.

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

Fairtrade Easter Egg.

Due to an overwhelming response and large number of orders I am sorry to announce that Wylde Green URC have been unable to obtain the Easter Eggs that were ordered.

There are 3 supermarkets, Co-Op, Morrison's and Waitrose that will have the eggs in stock but probably in only small numbers. I think it is wonderful that the response to the Easter egg was so positive but apologise to everyone that pre-ordered.

During Fairtrade fortnight many of the local supermarkets are running promotions and i think its a good opportunity to challenge them as to why they haven't stocked the eggs, I've already had my conversation in Tesco's !!

South Aisle Fellowship Thursday 15th March

7.30 for 8pm start

Mr Andrew Smyth

“Best of British Gardens”

PARISH BREAKFAST

The next Breakfast will be on
Saturday 26th March
in the Guide Hall.

For the early birds, we start serving at 8.30 a.m. and continue throughout the morning. Come and enjoy a breakfast of your choice. Full English, Continental or just tea and toast.

From 10.30 a.m. onwards we shall also be serving coffee and cakes. Also on sale will be a wonderful selection of cakes, Easter cards and paper

Organ Recital - Saturday 26th March at 1:30pm

Chris Stormont will be giving the Birmingham Organists' Association's Annual Recital here at St Michael's.

The recital raises funds for the Association, whose work includes providing organ lessons, music and sponsorship for young organists and potential organists in the Birmingham area. Anyone from St Michael's, and indeed the wider community, is welcome to attend the recital. Tickets are £5 on the door.

Lenten Lunch Sunday 27th March 12.45pm

In aid of Edwards Trust

Jeremy Walker from Edward's Trust will be speaking at the lunch on their work with bereaved families and children

A simple lunch of Cottage Pie and fruit 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. Cost £3 adults £1.50 children any profits made from the lunch will go to Edwards Trust. If you can't make the lunch but would still like to make a donation to the charity please see Liz Claybrook or Liz Carr

Women's Guild

Invite you to a Coffee Morning in Aid of the Air Ambulance

Wednesday 30th March

10.30 am—12.15pm

In the Guide Hall

Cost £2 for coffee and biscuits

3rd April Mothering Sunday

Can everyone bring a picture of someone who they consider was a mother to them. It could be either a photo or something drawn or coloured in. They will be put into a display on the day and can be collected at the end of the service.

APCM 4th April 2011

This year's Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on
Monday 4th April

Nominations for Wardens, PCC members, Deanery Synod
members, to stand at the APCM will be invited,
please see the nomination forms at the back of church. If you
wish to be a deputy warden and sides person please put your
name on the list at the back of church

If you wish to stand for any of these positions or vote at the
APCM your name must be on the Church Electoral Roll. A
copy of the roll is kept in a black folder at the back of church
together with application forms

Palm Sunday 17th April

Please note that like last year there will be only ONE service on
this Sunday so that we can all come together as we start Holy
Week. It will be at 11am so that we can then move naturally into
a Bring & Share lunch open to all.

There is a box of Easter Cards for sale at the back of the
church, and another one plus Easter Paper in the church hall.
Thank you for your continuing support.

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

**The Macmillan Quiz is due to take place on
Saturday April 16th in the Church hall**

We are planning to assemble at 7.00pm to start at 7.15 prompt.
Tables of 4, 5 or 6. Cost £8 per person, payable on the night.
This includes a Fish & Chip supper, but bring your own drinks.
Book now with Lin Benson.....373 1227

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).

Morning Prayers

Are held week day mornings between 9 - 9.30 in the Chapel-entrance is through the South Aisle
(see weekly diary for any changes to days)

Committee Meetings

Churchyard — Monday 14th March 8pm in the Counselling Room

Next Sunday's Services 20th March

9.00 am Holy Communion

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John 3:1-17 Page 1006

10.30 am Morning Worship

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6 00 pm Evening Worship

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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

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

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