



# St Michael's Church, Boldmere

28th November 2010  
Advent Sunday

## 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

Almighty God,  
as your kingdom dawns,  
turn us from the darkness of sin to the  
light of holiness,  
that we may be ready to meet you  
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen

## ***This Sunday's Services 28th November—Advent Sunday***

### **9.00 am Holy Communion**

*Leader and Preacher Rev Richard Tucker*

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### **10.30 am Confirmations**

*Leader and Preacher Bishop Andrew*

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### **4.00pm Prayer and Praise**

### **6 00 pm Evening Worship**

*Leader : Gary Preacher : Francis W*

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## **Diary for week**

The office will be open

**Monday and Wednesday only 9.30am —2.30pm**

### **Monday 29th November**

9.00 am                      Morning Prayer in the Chapel

6.45 pm                      Choir Practice

### **Tuesday 30th November**

9.00 am                      Morning Prayer in the Chapel

### **Wednesday 1st December**

9.00 am                      Morning Prayer in the Chapel

10.00 am                      Holy Communion

### **Thursday 2nd December**

9.00 am                      Morning Prayer in the Chapel

### **Friday 3rd December**

9.00 am                      Morning Prayer in the Chapel

### **Saturday 4th December**

8.30 onwards Breakfast in the Guildhall

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There will be a **Prayer and Praise service** at 4 o'clock  
Today Sunday the 28th November

### **Green Sheet**

Can I please have all items for next week's Green Sheet  
—5th December— by **11am on Wednesday 1st** as I shall be  
out of the office on Friday 3rd. Thanks Liz

### **'Concert for Bonny's Family'**

A big heartfelt thank you to everybody who contributed to the concert held to support Bonny's family. In particular the musicians and singers who gave their time so freely, for those who assisted in setting up the church and clearing away speakers, lighting and cables, everybody who donated cakes and raffle prizes, all who helped on the night and finally but not least all those who attended and made donations.

The Trustees had been concerned that we would not meet the total costs due in January considering we would be over £600 short. God always provides in abundance and raising over £700 was a true example of that generosity.

**Women's Guild**  
**Wednesday 1st December**  
Christmas Meal

## Chester Road Baptist Church Holiday

Places are available on a holiday arranged by Chester Road Baptist Church

Destination: Palace Hotel, Paignton  
([www.PalacePaignton.com](http://www.PalacePaignton.com))

**Dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> May 2011**

Cost: £390 half board including transport (by coach from CRBC) and two trips in the Paignton area

Members of the church and others known to us will be going. Members of other churches and their friends are welcome to join us.

For further details please contact Sarah Dewey on 350 1630 or 07912881 583

We do hope you can join us.



## PARISH BREAKFAST

The next Breakfast will be on  
Saturday 4th December,  
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, Christmas gifts, paper and cards

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## CHRISTMAS CARD CHARITY DONATIONS

The Missionary Committee recently agreed to a change in the pattern of giving to charity instead of (or possibly as well as) sending cards to our friends at St Michael's this Christmas. We will provide a large notice board, together with small cards for you to sign and pin up. Your charity donation should then be placed in the appropriate blue envelope, and given in as part of the offertory, or handed to a Duty Warden. The proceeds will be sent to SAVE THE CHILDREN.

Cards and envelopes will be available from next Sunday 5th  
December



**Save the Children**  
UK

## NEW CMS MISSION PARTNERS

We have recently received the first email from St Michael's new mission partners, **Simon and Laura Walton**. They have recently returned to work with CMS in Tanzania, having spent the past 2 years living and working in Manchester. Settling into their new home has not been without its shocks and surprises, despite knowing the city of Dar Es Salaam well, having worked there for 8 years previously.

Simon, is a doctor with a lot of experience in HIV.

There is an article about the family in this months Magazine.

It might be nice if members of the congregation could send their greetings / letters / prayer messages to the Waltons.

Their email address is [simonandlaurawalton@gmail.com](mailto:simonandlaurawalton@gmail.com)

### **Stewardship Envelope Scheme**

The boxes of envelopes for those using this scheme are now available at the back of church.

If you are a weekly giver (even occasionally) and are not on the Stewardship Scheme, please contact me and I will arrange to give you a Stewardship Number.

Thank You – Jean Tuby Tel: 0121 321 3026,

### **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

### **Warden and Sidespeople Rotas**

For December—February are available at the back of church . Thanks Kathy

### **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.**

Margaret Brighton's new email address is  
margaret@holytrinitystcaths.org.uk  
Phone 0121 455 6781

Unfortunately she lost all email addresses when she moved her computer so is relying on people to contact her.

### CHRISTMAS MARKET:

The Christmas Market this year raised just over £3180, which was about £300 less than the previous year. In these tightening times this was an excellent result. Thank you to all the helpers, stall holders and friends for their tireless efforts and thank you all for coming or donating the many items we sold.

Julie & Bob Giles 0121-355-4594

### ***Next Sunday's Services 6th December***

#### **9.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)**

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Matthew 3: 1-12                      page 915

#### **10.30 am Morning 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

### **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 Margaret 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:**

Revd Paul Rattigan, On Study leave until December 2010

**Youth Minister**— Gavin Hicks 07746 887335

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

### **Verger:**

### **Church Office:**

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