



# St Michael's Church, Boldmere

29th November 2009  
Advent Sunday

## WELCOME

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

The **Theme** of today's service is Confirmation

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.

Because of the Pandemic we are taking extra precautions. Thus we are not sharing the peace during the service. If you do not wish to receive the wine from the common cup then simply leave the rail after receiving the bread. Shaking hands after the service is entirely optional!

### 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 weeks Services 29th November***

**9.00 am Holy Communion**

*Leader Margaret Preacher Martin*

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**10.30 am Confirmation**

*Leader Paul & Margaret Preacher Bishop Michael Whinney*

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**4.00 pm Charismatic Worship**

**6 00 pm Evening Worship**

*Leader and Preacher Paul*

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**Diary for week**

**Monday 30th November**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

7.00 pm Choir

**Tuesday 1st December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

11.00 am Coffee Cup in the Hall

**Wednesday 2nd December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

10.00 am Holy Communion

8.00 pm Women's Guild

**Thursday 3rd December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

**Friday 4th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

**Saturday 5th December**

8.30 am Breakfast in the Guide Hall

## **Charismatic Worship – ALL WELCOME**

4pm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November

This is an informal act of worship with an extended time for praise and worship. There will also be a talk and time for ministry. This is a beginning not a destination and so come with open minds as we explore this way of worshipping God 'in Spirit and in Truth'.

## **Transforming Church – your opinion**

As part of this reflection there is a short questionnaire at the back of church for anyone to fill in. It asks your opinion on some of our strengths and weaknesses and opportunities. Please take one, fill it in and return it to the black post box at the back of church (no need for names unless you wish to, though which service you attend is helpful). It will help the PCC deliberations in January. Thank you. Paul

I am out of the office until 2nd December

## **Change of Office Hours**

Please note that from the

**2nd December**

the office will be open

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday**

**9.30am —2.30pm**

All notices for the Green Sheet will need to be with me by 12 noon on Wednesdays please.

Liz

Some of you will be aware that Will Pearce is retiring as our Verger at the end of the year. He has faithfully done an excellent job over many many many years. If you would like to contribute to a gift for him then please used the marked envelopes at the back of the church. We will doing the formal goodbye and presenting him with the gift on Sunday January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The next opportunity to gather for PRAYER will be on Thursday 10th December @ 7.45pm for 45 minutes in the Chapel. This is a chance to pray about what is going on at St Michaels and in particular this time of working out where God is leading us. Thus there will be plenty of time for listening Paul.



**PARISH BREAKFAST**

The next Breakfast will be on  
Saturday 5th 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

## MALAWI CALENDAR 2010

Copies of the 2010 Malawi Calendar will be on sale from November 29<sup>th</sup> ~~ a bargain at £5 each. The calendar is packed with beautiful photos of Malawi taken within the last 12 months, and all profits go towards supporting projects there.

If you wish to buy a calendar, please put the correct amount of cash or a cheque made payable to St Michael's Church in an envelope marked "Malawi Calendar" and hand it in to Liz Carr or to one of the Wardens on duty.

## HELP WANTED IN THE CRÈCHE



Probably once every six weeks – might be less if there are more offers of help!

You need to be over 18 years old and willing to have a CRB check.

Please see Anne Rattigan a.s.a.p.



## THANK YOU

A huge thank you to Grace Williams & Joan Whittingham for leaving us significant legacies in their wills. Grace moved away quite some time ago but never forgot the role that St Michaels played in her life. Joan, one of many Joans at St Michaels, gained the nickname little Joan. But her generosity, both in life and in death, was far from little (the new lectern Bible is in memory of the legacy that Joan has given us). Their gifts will enable important building work to be completed and also to do new projects for the benefit of people now and in the years to come. Thank you. Paul.

## **Pink Rota**

Availability forms for January—March are now in the rack at the back of church, please complete and return to the office no later than Sunday 29th November. Thanks Margaret

## **Bible Reading Fellowship “New Daylight”**

Over 50 people at St. Michael’s have the wonderful daily experience of reading the short Bible notes entitled. “New Daylight.” They are educational, enlightening and help people to have a brief moment focusing on the important things in life. They are also very, very cheap! The cost for a whole year is £11.60 or £14.97 for the large print version. If you are interested and what to know more please contact Richard Hornsby on 373.8764.

## **Committee Meetings**

PCC Monday 30th Nov 8.00 pm Counselling Room

## **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,

## **Web Site**

Please note the church website – [www.stmichaels.org.uk](http://www.stmichaels.org.uk) – has been revamped and now you can download sermons etc. from here rather than having to go to a separate site. The Green Sheet is now available

## RELIGIOUS BROADCASTING

- 8.10 am R4: Sunday Worship—A service for Advent from St Ninian's Cathedral, Perth, led by Very Rev Hunter Farquharson
- 4.00 pm R3: Choral Evensong, From Chapel of St John's College, Cambridge. repeat of Wednesdays Broadcast
- 4.55 pm BBC1 Songs of Praise—.Advent Sunday Aled Jones visits Port Sunlight Village as the community prepares for Christmas. .
- 8.30 pm R2: Sunday Half Hour - Brian D'Arcy presents hymns of hope for the first Sunday in Advent.
- 11.30 pm R4: Something Understood— A mirror for the Soul—Mike Wooldridge considers the Sufi tradition - its history, beliefs and practices.

Weds 2nd Dec 4.00 pm R3: Choral Evensong

Monday - Friday 9.45 am R4 (198 LW) Daily Service.

Theme—Advent 1 Looking Ahead

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| Monday 30th  | ...bringing the news      | Romans 10 |
| Tuesday 1st  | ...hope along the journey | Psalms 62 |
| Wed 2nd      | ... a straight road       | Isaiah 40 |
| Thursday 3rd | ... Iniquity pardoned     | John 21   |
| Friday 4th   | Act of Worship            |           |

Monday – Saturday 7.48 am R4 Thought for the day.

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

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

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#### **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.

If you would like to receive this **Green Sheet by email**  
please email [liz.claybrook@stmichaels.org.uk](mailto:liz.claybrook@stmichaels.org.uk)

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