



# St Michael's Church, Boldmere

5th December 2010  
2nd 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

Almighty God,  
purify our hearts and minds,  
that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as  
judge and saviour  
we may be ready to receive him,  
who is our Lord and our God.

Amen

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

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

*Leader: Rev Sheppard Preacher :Elaine*

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### **10.30 am Morning Worship**

*Leader : Martin Preacher: Elaine*

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

*Leader: Ann Preacher Kathy*

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## **Diary for week**

The office will be open

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

### **Monday 6th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

7.00 pm Choir Practice

8.00 pm PCC

### **Tuesday 7th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

### **Wednesday 8th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

10.00 am Holy Communion

### **Thursday 9th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

### **Friday 10th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

## A big thank you

To all who helped with the Advent Calendar workshop,  
Not all those who helped last Saturday but all who cut out  
pictures and “window” as well.

Trudy, Ann and team

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 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. If you are a UK tax payer please complete the Gift Aid declaration. The proceeds will be sent to SAVE THE CHILDREN.



**Save the Children**  
UK

## Traidcraft.

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

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## **Pink Rota**

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

## **INstep Breakfast for Men**

on Saturday 15th January

8am to 10.30 at St John's Walmley .

### **The Bishop of Birmingham is our speaker**

at our new year continental "plus" breakfast cost £3.50

Please contact Mick Walsh 07703 780566— for pre booking.

Book early to avoid disappointment

## **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

## **'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.

## **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)

## **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.

## **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

## **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!

## **Committee Meetings**

Monday 6th Dec PCC 8.00pm Counselling Room

## **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.**

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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 12th December***

#### **9.00 am Holy Communion**

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

## **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, 209 Station Road, B73 5LE.

Tel 354 4501 e-mail [paul@stmichaels.org.uk](mailto:paul@stmichaels.org.uk)

(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

Tel: 373 0207. e-mail [liz.claybrook@stmichaels.org.uk](mailto:liz.claybrook@stmichaels.org.uk)

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