



St Michael's Church, Boldmere

6th December 2009
2nd Sunday of Advent

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 The Readings

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,
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 weeks Services 6th December

9.00 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Leader Paul Preacher Robin Watson

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Luke 3: 1-6 Page 971

10.30 am Morning Worship

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6 00 pm Evening Worship

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Diary for week

The office will be open

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

9.30am —2.30pm

Monday 7th December

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

7.00 pm Choir

8.00 pm Churchyard Committee

Tuesday 8th December

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

11.00 am Coffee Cup in the Hall

Wednesday 9th December

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

10.00 am Holy Communion

Thursday 10th December

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

7.45 pm Prayer in the Chapel

Friday 11th December

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

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Christmas Services 2009

Sunday 20th December

9.00am – Holy Communion

10.30am – Children's Nativity Service

6.00pm – Lessons and Carols



Christmas Eve 24th December

4.00pm – Christmas Celebration

11.30pm – Midnight Holy Communion



Christmas Day 25th December

9.00am – Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am – Christingle

Sunday 27th December

One service only

10.00am – Holy communion



Wanted Cleaner for Church Hall

Saturday & Monday mornings, to start from January

For more details and pay rate contact Paul (354 4501)

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

Christmas Services

There is a sign-up sheet at the back at church for all who would like to be involved in reading, assisting or praying at any of the Christmas services. Please sign against the duty offered and if this is reading at the Carol Service take the appropriate reading from the pile.

thanks Margaret

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 3rd.

Committee Meetings

Churchyard Monday 7th December 8.00 pm Counselling Room

WORLD VISION CHRISTMAS CARD

As in previous years, there will be two giant Christmas cards available at the back of church from today, December 6th, for everyone to sign with a greeting to friends at St Michael's, and at the same time make a Christmas donation to charity. Your donations should be placed in one of the blue envelopes provided and handed in to the Duty Warden. This year we will be supporting World Vision, supporting children and families in Southern Sudan and Edward's Trust.

2010 MALAWI CALENDAR

Next year's Malawi Calendar has arrived – a bargain at £5!

If you wish to buy a calendar, please take one (or more) from the box at the back of church (close to the glass-fronted book-case) and place the correct money, or a cheque made out to St Michael's Church in one of the envelopes provided, marked **MALAWI CALENDAR**. Envelopes may be handed in to me or the Duty Warden. Very many thanks, Liz Carr

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.

Christmas Service Leaflets

There are Christmas service leaflets at the back of church to be distributed around Boldmere. If you could help by delivering to one road it would be greatly appreciated.

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.

South Aisle Fellowship

Tuesday 15th December

Christmas Buffet

6.30 pm for 7.00 pm start

Margaret Smoldon's buffet of cusinical competence that creates a feast for eyes, not to mention a temptation to the tum.

Macmillan Cancer Support

Many thanks to ll those who supported our Audio– Visual evening last week, we made a splendid profit of £566 for the charity.

Next event is a dinner at Moor Hall Golf Club in February. If interested please see Peter Edmonds or Lin Benson

Women's Guild Coffee Morning

Thank you to all who supported and helped at the coffee morning on Wednesday 25th November. We raised £160.20 for NSPCC.

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 – 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 on the Web Site.

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RELIGIOUS BROADCASTING

8.10 am R4: Sunday Worship— The day of His coming- A service from the University of Huddersfield, led by Rev Peter Whittaker.

4.00 pm R3: Choral Evensong-From Rochester Cathedral.

4.55 pm BBC1 Songs of Praise—.Advent 2- Pam Rhodes introduces a feast of seasonal music from Cambridge.

8.30 pm R2: Sunday Half Hour - Brian D'Arcy introduces hymns for Advent and looks at the joy of the nativity.

11.30 pm R4: Something Understood- Classicist Llewellyn Morgan considers the problem of aspiring towards perfection.

Weds 9th Dec 4.00 pm R3: Choral Evensong-From Sheffield Cathedral

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

Theme—Advent 2—The day of His coming

Monday	7th	Prophetic visions	Daniel 7
Tuesday	8th	The day of the Lord	Malachi 3
Wed	9th	Ready and waiting	Matthew 25
Thursday	10th	The end of the world	1 Thess. 5
Friday	11th	Act of Worship	

Monday – Saturday 7.48 am R4 Thought for the day.

Next Sunday's Services - 13th December

9.00 am Holy Communion

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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

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