



# St Michael's Church, Boldmere Christmas 2011

WELCOME

If you are **visiting** for the first time today  
a particular welcome to you.

Collect for the week

**Lord Jesus Christ,  
your birth at Bethlehem  
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth:  
accept our heartfelt praise  
as we worship you,  
our Saviour and our eternal God. Amen**

Christmas Day – The Light

Jesus, Light of the world

**We worship you**

Jesus, born as one of us

**We worship you**

Jesus, God with us

**We worship you**

Jesus Light of the world

**Come, be with us today**

Discipleship challenge:

Throughout the Christmas celebrations take a moment each day to celebrate Christ the light of the world. Some suggestions:

- On Christmas Day and each day this week why not light a candle
- Take time before each main meal to pray
- Listen to a piece of Christmas music that speaks of the light coming into the world.

## **Christmas Eve 24th December**

**11.30 pm Holy Communion**

*Leader: Paul Preacher: Manda*

Isaiah 9:2-7 Page 658

Luke 2:1-14 Page 970

## **Christmas Day 25th December**

**9.00am – Holy Communion (BCP)**

*Leader: Paul Preacher : Ann*

Hebrews 1:1-4 Page 1136

John 1:1-14 Page 1004

**10.30am – Christingle**

*Leaders: Paul and Manda Preacher : Gav*

John 1:1-14 Page 1004

## **New Year's Day Walk**

Time for some fresh air and a little bit of exercise?

New Year's day may be a very good time for that.

All are welcome to join the Church New year's Day walk we will meet in the park between 11.15 and 11.30 (there is one 10am service that day) and Bob Evans will leads us on a walk of just over an hour. Mainly on paths so suitable for children and pushchairs To meet– go in Boldmere Gate to park and gather at the Glider field

**Diary for week The office will be closed this week**

**Wednesday 28th—Friday 30th December**

9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Chapel

## **Some notes that might help you:**

Whenever you are invited to stand please feel free to remain seated if this is more comfortable for you.

We have a Loop System. If you have a hearing aid with a 'T' setting, simply switch it to 'T'.

## **Children @ 10:30am service:**

There is a crèche area in the South Aisle for children under four with parents supervision that can be used at any point in the service.

## **Something for Boxing Day?**

If you enjoy the service from Kings College, Cambridge on Christmas Eve you might like to attend the Service of Nine Lessons and Carols at Lichfield Cathedral on St Stephen's Day (26th December) With darkness falling in this great medieval building, cathedral choir make this a moving and uplifting experience. The service starts at 3.30 pm but you need to be there much earlier if you want to find a good seat. Dave Reeves

A big THANK YOU to all those who came and sang carols in the Bishop Vesey Pub – it was a fantastic turn out and great to bring the true meaning of Christmas to people in our community. Do pray for the ongoing relationship with the pub and within our community. Manda

A big THANK YOU to all those who gave toys at our Toy Service this were taken to Birmingham City Mission and were much appreciated – children will be opening them and playing with them as you read this.

## **NEW YEAR / CHRISTMAS PARISH OVER SIXTIES TEA SUNDAY 15th January 2011**

3.30 pm for 4 pm in the Church Hall

Come with your wife, come with your husband

Come with a friend or just come on your own

You will be assured of a warm welcome.

Transport available

Invitations will be available at the back of the Church

## ***Sunday's Services– 1st January***

**10 am Holy communion**

*Leader Paul*

Isaiah 60: 1-6

Page 708

Matthew 2: 1-12

Page 914

## 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.

## 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

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