



St Michael's Boldmere

14th January 2018
2nd Sunday of
Epiphany

Collect

**Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of
your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.**

Amen

**#loveYOUR
NEIGHBOUR**

do something kind today

loveyourneighbour.org

**St Michael's Church is a
Christian community in
Boldmere within which
there is no place for verbal
or physical abuse, mocking
and bullying of people
because of their gender,
ethnicity, age, sexuality,
faith and ability.**

Rev'd Gary Birchall

Sunday's Services 14th January 2018

9.00 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Worship for All

6.00 pm Holy communion with Anointing

Readings

Revelation 5:1-10 page 1170

John 1:43-end page 1005

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'

Please do stay after the service and **coffee, tea, squash, biscuits** are available in the South Aisle.

Children @ 10.30 Service

Today our children and young people go out to their groups.

Downstairs West Room **SW:EETS** (years 7-11 inclusive)

Upstairs- **F.L.O.K** (reception to year 6 inclusive)

South Aisle and Epiphany Chapel activities for preschool children.

Parish Sunday Lunch—Sunday 28th January 2018

The lunch is open to everyone and all are welcome but would you please sign the sheet at the back of church to help with the catering. (there is a small charge to cover costs)

Diary for week

**The Office will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday
9.30—2.30**

Monday 15th January

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Epiphany Chapel
- 7.00 pm Choir
- 7.30 pm PCC in the Upper Room

Tuesday 16th January

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Epiphany Chapel

Wednesday 17th January

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Epiphany Chapel
- 10.00 am Holy communion in the Epiphany Chapel
- 10.30 am Coffee Time in the South Aisle

Thursday 18th January

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Epiphany Chapel
- 9.45 am Little Lights in the South Aisle
- 2.00 pm Knit and Natter Longmoor Room Church Hall

Friday 129h January

- 9.00 am Morning Prayer in the Epiphany Chapel

It is with sadness that we announce that Marion Hudson died on New Year's Eve at Good Hope hospital.

Her funeral will be held here at St Michael's at 2pm on Friday 26th January. All are invited to join Eric and family in the South Aisle after the service.

Marion requested that bright colours be worn and that donations may be made in lieu of flowers to Save the Children

Church Warden

Do you think God may be calling you to be Churchwarden at St Michael's? Do you know someone who you think might be being called to this role?

The role of Churchwarden is a key lay leadership role in the life of the parish church. They are the Bishop's officers in the local church and work together with the clergy and people of the church to build up the kingdom of God in the locality of the parish church.

They are elected on an annual basis for up to six consecutive years. Jan Peel will be completing six years as Churchwarden at the end of April 2018 and elections for Church Warden will take place at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Sunday 29th April.

This is what Rev'd Gary Birchall is looking for in a Churchwarden.

A person who has accepted the invitation to follow the way of Jesus, believing in the incarnation, life and example, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus, and his promise of the gift of God's Holy Spirit.

Someone who:

will work for the people of St Michael's rather than their own personal agendas – across the diversity of the life, mission, ministry of St Michael's Church

will actively encourage St Michael's to be part of the Deanery of Sutton Coldfield and the Diocese of Birmingham, the Church of England and the Anglican Communion.

will actively hope that people will grow in their faith and come to faith in Jesus.

can be a confidante and encourager of the clergy and staff team of St Michael's

Is able and prepared to participate in Standing Committee, PCC, and meetings with the Clergy, Parish Administrator and Verger

will bring their own particular gifts to the role of Churchwarden and have the desire to share those gifts for the growth of the Kingdom of God in Boldmere

is reliable, trustworthy, conscientious, walks the walk and not just talks the talk

with their churchwarden colleague, oversee a team of Service Wardens and Sidespeople/Welcomers

who is a communicant member of the Church of England and at least 18 years old.

and someone who is committed to:

St Michael's being a parish church working in, with and for the community of Boldmere.

St Michael's Church as a Christian community in Boldmere where people of every: gender, ethnicity, age, sexuality, faith, neural diversity, capacity and ability are welcome.

Recognising that together we won't always get this right, but together we can try and walk the way of Jesus – which is love, grace, mercy, forgiveness, reconciliation and peace.

All of us are welcome

If you want to know more have a chat with Rev'd Gary Birchall, Jan Peel and Peter Swaine.

There is training for new Churchwardens available, the support of your churchwarden colleague and the Vicar.



A series of sermons on Psalms
January to June 2018 at St Michael's
Sunday evenings 6.00pm

14 th January	Psalm 139	Search me out O God and know my heart
21 st January	Psalm 128	How abundant is your goodness, O Lord
28 th January	Psalm 111	The Lord is gracious and full of compassion
11 th February	Psalm 50	Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving
22 nd April	Psalm 23	I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever
6 th May	Psalm 98	The Lord has made known his salvation
13 th May	Psalm 1	the Lord knows the way of the righteous
27 th May	Psalm 29	The Lord shall give the people blessing of peace
3 rd June	Psalm 81	O come let us sing to the Lord
10 th June	Psalm 138	Your loving kindness O Lord endures forever
1 st July	Psalm 130	My soul waits for the Lord

There is a book of songs that has been in use for three thousand years: they are songs of grief and glory. These are the songs in the Book of Psalms from the Old Testament. They were learnt not by rote but by devotion; it was not so much a matter of the mind as of the heart. The Psalms are full of all the joys and sorrows of life and if you look there is a psalm for every situation. Above all the Psalms were used to express a deep love and trust in God.
(adapted from A Celtic Psalter by David Adam).

In 2018 we have the opportunity to explore these Psalms together in our Sunday evening worship.

Sunday's Services 21st January 2018

9.00 am Holy Communion

Warden: John Woodhall

Sidespeople: Ian Johnson, **Needed**

Communion Assistants: Angela Grudzinski,
Kevin Hunt, **needed**

Intercessions: Peter Edmonds

Readers: Janet Upton, Liz Carr

AV: Andrew Sykes

Refreshments: Paula Johnson, Pat Jackson

10.30 am Worship for All

Warden: Needed

Sidespeople: Joy Shilliday, Trudy Walsh

Intercessions: Steve Clarkson

Readers: Viv Poniatowska, Gail Adams

AV: Michael David

Refreshments: Kate Parsons, Madeline Woodcock

6.00 pm Nighty prayer

Warden: Fran Lumley

Sidespeople: Lin Benson

Intercessions; Lin Benson

Readers:

Readings

Genesis 14:17-20 page 14

John 2:1-11 page 1005

If you need to change a date please contact others on your team and arrange for someone else to replace you on that date. And update the large paper copy of the Service Teams located on the wall by the Sound Desk at the back of church.

If **you** are unable to find a replacement, you **must** contact Liz in the church office **ASAP**.

Pete Swaine, Liz Claybrook,

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