

**19th January 2020**  
**2nd Sunday of Epiphany**



St Michael's Church is a Christian community in Boldmere where people of every: ability, age, capacity, ethnicity, faith, gender, neurodiversity and sexuality know that all of us are welcome.

**#loveYOUR  
NEIGHBOUR**

**do something kind today**

[loveyourneighbour.org](http://loveyourneighbour.org)

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

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.

Upper Stairs Upper Room FLOK (reception—Year 5)

Downstairs West Room SW:EETS (years 6-9) inclusive)

South Aisle Saints for preschool children and their parents/ carers.

## Diary for the week

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

### Monday - Friday

9.00- 9.30 am Morning Prayer in the Epiphany Chapel

### Monday 20th January

10:30 - 11:30 am Pilgrim Group, Harvester, Boldmere  
Contact leader: Trudy Walsh: 0121 355 4128

7..00 pm Choir Practice

### Wednesday 22nd January

9.00 -11.30 am A place of Welcome in the Church Hall

9:45 - 10:15 am Reflective Conversation Group Church Hall  
Contact Jeanette Nicholls- 07492 474472

10.30 am Holy Communion the Church Hall

8:00 - 10.00 pm Hone Group (1) meets at the home of Gary  
and Edwina Connell. . Tel: 0121 682 9119  
Home Group (2) meets at several members'  
homes. Co-ordinators: Fran Lumley:  
07742738298 Gail Adams: 07557127785

### Thursday 23rd January

9.45 am Little Lights in the South Aisle

2.00 pm Knit and Natter in the Powell Rm Church Hall

## Collect

Eternal Lord,  
our beginning and our end:  
bring us with the whole creation  
to your glory, hidden through past ages  
and made known  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

## **First reading Corinthians 1:1-9**

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Gospel Reading John 1:29-42**

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.’ I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.” And John testified, “I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).



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# Activities Creativity Energy

## @ St Michaels

A Children's Activity Day

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020

St. Michael's Church Hall, Boldmere Rd

9.45am to 3pm (Bring a Packed lunch)

For all children in Reception to Year Six

£4 per child

To book a place; *(early reply recommended)*

Please reply to [youngpeople@stmichaels.org.uk](mailto:youngpeople@stmichaels.org.uk)



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### PARISH OVER SIXTIES TEA

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.

SUNDAY 2nd FEBRUARY 2020

3.30 pm for 4 pm in the Church Hall

Transport available

Invitations are available at the back of the Church

All members of St Michael's will be welcome to attend 'THE PATH TO PARADISE' - an exploration of spirituality in music. There will be FIVE TALKS IN LENT 2020, presented by Bernard Salter, with organ music (played live), recorded music, PowerPoint slides, some singing together, and time for quiet reflection. The sessions will be held at Sutton Coldfield United Reformed Church on WEDNESDAYS at 7.30 pm, starting 4th March.

**"ST MICHAEL'S MEN'S" MEETING.**

Happy New Year one and all. We've had to re-arrange our next meeting as it clashed with a Churchyard Committee meeting. Our next meeting is now scheduled for 8.00pm Monday 27th January in the Bishop Vesey pub.

As always everyone is welcome to join us, so make a note in your diary for 27th.

Look forward to seeing as many men as possible.

Pete Swaine & Paul Leonard"

**Parish Sunday Lunch—Sunday 26th January 2020**

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)

**Ann Lambert**

Anne's funeral will take place on Monday 27th January  
3.15pm at Sutton Coldfield Crematorium

We are still collecting for the Aston and Nechels food bank. Items that the Foodbank most need at present. are:

Tinned fruit Tinned vegetables

Coffee Fruit juice (carton), Squash

Tinned meat Tinned fish Tinned rice pudding, Tinned tomatoes

Milk (long-life or powdered) Pasta sauce (jar) Instant  
mashed potato

Toilet rolls Hand soap, Toothpaste/toothbrushes Feminine  
hygiene products, Deodorants Nappies

Chocolate/snacks



There is a box at the back of church for  
your donations.

### **Artists Wanted.**

On Good Friday we will be holding a service around the 14 stations of the cross. This usually contemplates the work of one artist but this year I would like to have a collection of pieces that have been created by our community, reflecting our many gifts, skills and differing perspectives. If you, or your family or group, would like to create a piece - picture, sculpture, poem, monologue, calligraphy, song, instrumental, flower display, fabric collage - please see Rev'd Cath.

## ***Sunday's Services— 26th January***

### **9.00 am Holy Communion**

Warden: **Jan Peel**

Sidespeople: Pat Tennant, Liz Carr

Communion Assistants: Edwina Connell, Peter Edmonds

Malcolm Imhoff

Intercessions: Pat Tennant

Readers: Lin Benson, Gary Connell

AV: Mark Edmonds

Refreshments: Judith Rudge, Pat Jackson

### **10.30am Worship for All with Holy Communion**

Warden:

Sidespeople. Kevin Dunnington, Terry Peel

Communion Assistants: Megan Peers, Tusheeta David

Trudy Walsh

Intercessions; Hilary Harrison

Readers: Karen Flint, Gary Connell

AV: Russel Harrison

### Readings

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-23

### **6.00 pm Night Prayer**

Warden: Mick Walsh

Sidespeople; Edwina Connell

If you are unable to make any of the dates, you are down for **please amend the large Service Team sheet that is on the wall at the back of church and contact someone else to replace you on that date.** If you have been unable to find a replacement then please contact your **team coordinator** as soon as possible.

## **Points of Contact**

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