

## 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT 17TH MARCH 2019

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The deadline for notices for the Sunday sheet is Wednesday at 12.00 noon

### WELCOME TO OUR INCLUSIVE, CHURCH FAMILY

St Michael & All Angels is a church where people are called to come together to explore the mystery of God's love. All of us, without exception, are called by God. A special welcome to all visitors and newcomers. May God bless you this day and every day. Please help yourself to a *Welcome Pack* before you leave.

### PARTNERSHIP 2019 LENT COURSE "FAITH IN TIMES OF CRISIS"

**Session 2** – "A Planet in crisis" – the challenge of Global Warming – Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm at St Michael's Summertown  
**Session 3** – "The Church in danger" – coming alongside the persecuted church worldwide – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm in St Peter's Church Old School Room  
**Session 4** – "The Church in the wilderness" – the Church in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Britain - Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 7.30pm in St Peter's Church Old School Room

### EARTH WATCH DAY

Do join with millions of others around the world on Saturday 30th March to turn off lights from 8.30 - 9.30 pm. A small gesture to protect the planet.

### ELECTORAL ROLL (ER)

Every six years we are required to renew our Electoral Roll completely. During March 2019 we have to compile St Michael's ER from scratch. If you were previously on the ER, there is a pre-printed form in Church for you to collect, review, sign and return. If you would like to be included on the ER for the first time, there is a blank form in Church for you to complete and return. The compilation of the ER must be complete by 28 March – this is your deadline! Please direct any questions to Emma Wilkinson, [emma\\_wilkinson@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:emma_wilkinson@tiscali.co.uk).

### HOW TO KEEP A HOLY LENT...

Lent is an opportunity to turn over a new leaf, to be mindful of our thoughts and actions. It is a time to share in Christ's journey to Jerusalem. Here are some tips to help make your Lent more meaningful:

**Spiritual & devotional reading.** Take up a book (see back of the Reading sheet).

**Theological engagement (catechesis).** Join our Partnership Course. (See below).

**Almsgiving.** Consider renewing your gift to the church which costs £450 per day to stay open!! Become a generous giver and help our church's mission & ministry.

**Prayer.** The way of deepening our relationship with God. If words are difficult, simply wait with God in silence? Come to silent prayer on weekdays at 9am.

**An hour out**—spend an hour to share with Gavin any of those difficult questions, Just email for a time to meet.

**House blessing** — get the children involved with the chalking of the door.

**Stations of the Cross** each Friday in Lent at 6pm. Walk and pray Jesus' last steps.

**The Easter Triduum.** Really important that we all attend on Good Friday, Holy Saturday so that we receive the fullness of the Easter joy. Put dates in your diary!

## WHY I LIKE ST MICHAEL'S

Some recent comments from those in the know!

"... A real sense of loving community"

## SUNDAYS

**8.00 am Holy Eucharist**  
Traditional Language

**10.00 am Parish Eucharist**  
1st Sunday of the month:  
All-Age Family Eucharist

3rd Sunday of the month:  
Sung Eucharist from the High Altar

**6.30pm Contemplative Prayer**  
In the Lady Chapel

## WEEKDAYS

**8.30 am Silent Prayer**  
In the Lady Chapel

**9.00 am Morning Prayer**  
In the Lady Chapel

**Holy Eucharist**  
Thursdays 10.00am  
1st Thursday of the month: Healing -  
the laying on of hands and anointing.

**Choir Practice**  
Thursdays 6.30-7.45pm  
Contact Steve Allen - 07717 852020

**Men's Breakfast**  
1st Saturday of the month  
Contact Steve Hunter - 01865 552475

## FOR CHILDREN

**'Children's Church' on Sunday**  
meets in the vestry during  
10.00am Parish Eucharist (term time only)

**Godly Play**  
every 4th Sunday  
at 10am with a crèche provided

**St Michael's Choristers Age 3+**  
practise Thursdays in church  
in term-time at 5.30 pm and sing on the  
1st Sunday of the month  
Contact Alice - 07791 328108

**Baby & Toddler Group**  
Tuesdays 10.00 - 12.00 noon  
Play for children and chat for carers  
Contact Juliet - 01865 552640

