What's on this week:

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08.00	Holy Communion	
10.00	Sunday School	
10.15	Parish Communion	
12.00	Holy Baptism	
16.00	Family Praise	

Morning Prayers: Monday to Friday this week at 9am

3rd Mon	15.45	Family Service
4th Tues	18.00-19.00	Parish Office in Church
5th Wed	20.00	Pub Church
6th Thurs	10.15	Holy Communion

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday Before Lent

10.15 Parish Communion18.00 6 o'clock service

Readings for next week:

Isaiah 58:1-9a(9b-end); 1 Corinthians 2:1-end); Matthew 5:13-20

Pew Sheet notices:

Please contact Rachel Lally by Tuesday PM

Email: rachel-lally@hotmail.co.uk

Please feel free to take this home with you or pass it on to someone else.



Welcome to St Michael's Church

Candlemas Sunday 2nd February 2020

Today's hymns:

10.15 Hymns: 416, 586, 699, 743 Communion: 557

Today's readings:

Malachi 3:1-5; Hebrews 2:14-end; Luke 2:22-40

Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Play bags full of children's activities can be found at the back of church – please ask!

Accessible facilities are available in Church Croft, just follow the path across the graveyard out of the main entrance. We especially welcome visitors and newcomers and are delighted to be able to worship with you.

St. Michael's Book of Remembrance

You are invited to pray for those whose anniversaries fall in this week:-

2nd	Emma Brookes, Elizabeth Massey, Donald Watt, Joyce Hodge	
3rd	Edith Harris	
4th	Leslie Thorpe Naylor, Elizabeth Alice Phillips	
5th	Charles Henry Hodson	
6th	Irene Ellen Margaret Curzon, Peter Harris Coulson, Leonard Frank Reece	
7th	Hannah Collier, Florence Holt	
8th	Thomas Henry Teare, Emily Nuttall, Lena May Morris, Kay Abbott	

Notices

Coffee and tea will be available in Church Croft after the Service

Church groups - information needed

Please could any group that runs activities within put an information page together to share knowledge and generate interest for the various groups. The Flowers ladies have produced one for this month, thank you for that informative piece. A sheet can then be given out each month with the pew sheet. Please post through the rectory door (348 Church Road). Maximum one side of A4.

Sunday 8am service

I'm writing to inform you that the Sunday 8am services will only take place on the first Sunday of the month from now on. I'm sorry to all those who this affects and rest assured this decision hasn't been taken lightly. The other services will continue as normal. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you want to discuss it with me. Revd Huw Thomas

Confirmation

Confirmation sheet is at the back of church for adding your name if interested. The service will take place on 22nd March at 6pm St Michael's.

Weekend retreat to St. Oswald's Pastoral Centre, Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd May Places are filling fast, please speak to Rev. Alex or Jean Rostron if interested.

School Admissions Information

If you require your supplementary faith form to be signed by Revd Huw Thomas, please attend the form signing panel at St. Michael's Church on Tuesday 18th February, 6-7pm. Please bring your child's Baptism certificate and current attendance booklet so the panel can confirm your twice monthly attendance for January and February 2020. You will have need to have at least two signatures a month for a year...or once a month over two years.

House group

Please sign up if you're interested in being in a house group, list at back of church. We will put people into groups on Sunday 16th February after the main 10:15am service. We will meet in the side chapel.

Lent group

Please buy a copy of Eavesdropping by Henry Martin and put your name at the form at the back of church. Cheapest is £8.44 on Wordery books. If finances are a problem, speak to Revd Huw and he will sort something out. 6 sessions taking place on Thursdays at 6pm beginning 27th February in the Side Chapel.

Restoration & Development Trust

Membership subscriptions are now due for 2020. To renew or join the Trust (which uses its funds solely to maintain the fabric of St. Michael's), please complete a joining form which can be found at the back of church and place subscription (minimum £10) in an envelope with your name on and hand to our Treasurer Ruth Hamer, Jean Rostron or Paul Middleton. Thank you.

Planned Giving and Donations

Please place your giving in the white gift aid envelopes if eligible for gift aid, or directly on the collection plate. Ordering of envelopes is delayed. Bank transfer forms at the back of church. We now have a card machine at the back of church. Sincere thanks for all your giving.

Important Notice to Parents

If you are considering using your attendance at St. Michael's Church, to support a school admissions application under faith criteria, please obtain an attendance booklet and registration form from us at the church office hour (Tuesday 6pm-7pm) and present your booklet for signing/ stamping to the Worship Leader at the end of any act of public worship service you attend, so we can confirm your attendance as a regular worshipper and support your application. Regular church attendance is considered to be AT LEAST TWICE A MONTH. We recommend you consult individual school admission notes to see what is required, and also make yourselves known to the clergy, worship leaders, and/or church wardens as soon as possible.