

**St Michael's Maintenance
Appeal Committee**

We are desperate for donations for the tombola and raffle prizes, so please look to see if you have any items for the tombola and raffle prizes.

We cannot do this without your help.

We would like to thank everyone who supported the Tea & Toast on Saturday.

See Lynne Corker or you can put items in the old flower storage place, on the shelves on the right hand side. **This place is opposite the Church organ.** The committee is seeking you inspiration for new and different stalls, so please let the committee know your ideas.

Church Prayer List

The church prayer list is now on the notice board at the back of church. This has a list of people who need praying for. If you know of anybody who needs praying for, please add their names to the list.

Crafters

You know how well off we are, but remember the people who live on the streets. These people only have the clothes they own with them. If they get wet, especially their underwear and socks they don't have any to change.

So if you can help by donating a **£1** to Marge Kenwright to help the street homeless in Liverpool, she will then buy socks and underwear and donate them to the homeless in Liverpool. If you have donate your £1 to Marge

**THIS WEEK IS YOUR LAST
CHANCE TO GIVE YOUR
MONEY PLEASE DONATE**

Marge Kenwright

Food Bank

The food bank collection place is in the cupboard at the back of church for you to put your donations of food or money in. **The Foodbank warehouse is now very over stocked. The food bank would prefer their regular donors to avoid giving pasta and beans if possible as they always receive plenty of these from supermarket donations.**

I would like to thank everyone who donated food and money to the food-bank this year. Your generosity has made a difference to those families and individuals who have struggled to make ends meet, perhaps especially at this time of the year. I wish them, and you, a peaceful Christmas that is full of hope for the coming year. With love and prayers. I will be restarting deliveries to the Foodbank in January.

Joan

CTIR

The Annual Quiet Day at Foxhill, is on Saturday 12th January 2019. The guest speaker is the Revd Peter Geddes and the theme is John 3:16 Stripped down. 10.00am-4.00pm, bring your own lunch drinks provided through the day. Cost **£15** payable on the day

GIVING by Text

We have another way for people to give to St Michael's. If you have a mobile phone you can give by text giving. You send texts to **70070** and in the message you put **STMC03** and then followed by the amount say **£10** or it can be **£1, £2, £3, £4, £5.**



**Parish Church of
St Michael and All Angels
Sunday 6th January 2019
Epiphany**



Services Today

8.30am Holy Communion

Rev Vicki Schofield

10.00am Morning Celebration

Rev Helen Browne

Bob Browne

Mission Praise

65 Brightest and best

39 As with gladness

Psalm 72: 10-15

Matthew 2: 1-12

740 We three Kings

529 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

12.00noon Café Church

6.45pm Bible Study (Malpas Rd)

Monday 7th January

9.00am-10.30am Little Treasures
Tots Group.

Tuesday 8th January

10.00am-12.00noon Crafters

Wednesday 9th January

10.00am Holy Communion

1.00pm The funeral of Alison
Charlesworth

Thursday 10th January

7.30am-9.00am Bible Study with
Breakfast in the
Meeting Room

10.30am-12.30pm Places of Welcome

Saturday 12th January

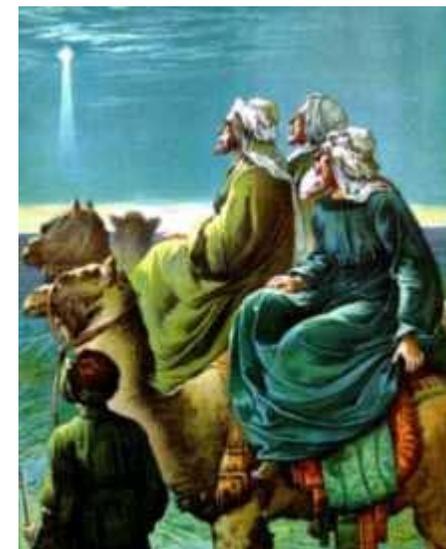
11.00am Baptism Preparation

Sunday 13th January

8.30am Holy Communion

10.00am Holy Communion

6.30pm Bible Study (Malpas Rd)



Contacts

**Vicar: Rev Vicki Schofield
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**This week Vicki is off
Friday**

Church Mobile

**Bookings for baptisms and weddings
Tel: 07722470940 and speak to
Robbie**

Church website

www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk

Facebook

**Saint Michael and All Angels
Church, Runcorn**

Collect and Readings

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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.

Psalm 72: 10-15

¹⁰ The western kings of Tarshish and other distant lands will bring him tribute. The eastern kings of Sheba and Seba will bring him gifts. ¹¹ All kings will bow before him, and all nations will serve him. ¹² He will rescue the poor when they cry to him; he will help the oppressed, who have no one to defend them. ¹³ He feels pity for the weak and the needy, and he will rescue them. ¹⁴ He will redeem them from oppression and violence, for their lives are precious to him. ¹⁵ Long live the king! May the gold of Sheba be given to him. May the people always pray for him and bless him all day long.

Matthew 2: 1-12

Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the reign of King Herod. About that time some wise men from eastern lands arrived in Jerusalem, asking, ² “Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star as it rose, and we have come to worship him.” ³ King Herod was deeply disturbed when he heard this, as was everyone in Jerusalem. ⁴ He called a meeting of the leading priests and teachers of religious law and asked, “Where is the Messiah supposed to be born?” ⁵ “In Bethlehem in

Judea,” they said, “for this is what the prophet wrote: ⁶ ‘And you, O Bethlehem in the land of Judah, are not least among the ruling cities of Judah, for a ruler will come from you who will be the shepherd for my people Israel.’” ⁷ Then Herod called for a private meeting with the wise men, and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared. ⁸ Then he told them, “Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!” ⁹ After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was. ¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! ¹¹ They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. ¹² When it was time to leave, they returned to their own country by another route, for God had warned them in a dream not to return to Herod.

Post Communion

Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Used stamps support Kidney Patients

For over 40 years, Kidney Care UK HAS been providing direct support for kidney patients, improving health and care services across the UK with no government funding. On New Years Eve we sent 1000 stamps to Kidney Care UK. 900 were from the United Kingdom some very old 2p and 2i/2 stamps. Foreign stamps came from around 16 countries -prominent Canada, Australia and New Zealand stamps. The rest of the world covered USA, Kenya, Egypt, Thailand and Portugal amongst others. Small islands included Isle of Man, Guernsey, Jersey and Gibraltar. Please leave a trim of 1 cm all around the stamp. Thanks once again for your support the drive is on for the next 1000 stamps.

David Walker

HELP HALTON HOMELESS

Do you have any unwanted glasses that you could donate to HALTON HAVEN HOSPICE? Working with local charity Nightstop they help people that might not be able to access opticians. Please drop your unwanted spectacles at the Hospice reception or their shops in High Sreet, Runcorn or Main Street, Frodsham.

Thank you

David Walker

