

**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 came and supported the Tea & Toast on Saturday 5th January, helping us to raise £278. The special stall for February is Unwanted Christmas or Holiday gifts. So please sort through your cupboards and donate them. 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.

Crafters

Marge would like to thank everyone who has donated money to buy underwear and socks for the homeless in Liverpool, it was greatly appreciated.

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. We donated 10kgs in food and £29 in money this time. Many thanks. Please can I ask you to check the dates on your donated goods. Unfortunately I had to throw some food away as it was already out of date (December). The Foodbank need a longish sell by date as it doesn't always immediately go out for distribution. Thank you.**

Joan

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 13th January 2019
Baptism of Christ**



Services Today

8.30am Holy Communion
Rev Vicki Schofield
10.00am Holy Communion
Rev Vicki Schofield
Mission Praise
428 Lord for the years
Acts 8:14-17
697 Thou didst leave thy throne
Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22
207 Hallelujah! Sing to Jesus
590 *Seek ye the first kingdom of God*
49 *Soul of my Saviour*
708 To God be the glory
6.45pm Bible Study (Malpas Rd)

Monday 14th January

9.00am-10.30am Little Treasures
Tots Group.

Tuesday 15th January

10.00am-12.00noon Crafters
1.15pm The funeral of Barbara
Reece

Wednesday 16th January

10.00am Holy Communion
1.00pm The funeral of Alison
Charlesworth

Thursday 17th January

7.30am-9.00am Bible Study with
Breakfast in the
Meeting Room
10.30am-12.30pm Places of Welcome

Friday 18th January

11.00am The funeral of Kenneth
Baines

Sunday 20th January

8.30am Holy Communion
10.00am Holy Communion
6.30pm Bible Study (Malpas Rd)



Contacts

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This week Vicki is off
Friday

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Bookings for baptisms and weddings
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Church, Runcorn

Collect and Readings

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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.

Acts 8: 14-17

¹⁴ When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that the people of Samaria had accepted God's message, they sent Peter and John there. ¹⁵ As soon as they arrived, they prayed for these new believers to receive the Holy Spirit. ¹⁶ The Holy Spirit had not yet come upon any of them, for they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ¹⁷ Then Peter and John laid their hands upon these believers, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

¹⁵ Everyone was expecting the Messiah to come soon, and they were eager to know whether John might be the Messiah. ¹⁶ John answered their questions by saying, "I baptize you with water; but someone is coming soon who is greater than I am—so much greater that I'm not even worthy to be his slave and untie the straps of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷ He is ready to separate the chaff from the wheat with his winnowing fork. Then he will clean up the threshing area, gathering the wheat into

his barn but burning the chaff with never-ending fire." ²¹ One day when the crowds were being baptized, Jesus himself was baptized. As he was praying, the heavens opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit, in bodily form, descended on him like a dove. And a voice from heaven said, "You are my dearly loved Son, and you bring me great joy."

Post Communion

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through 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

