

Food Bank

Now we are back in Church for our services, we have started collecting for the Food Bank. Remember the 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 currently need the following Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Fish and coffee. The food bank would prefer their regular donors to avoid giving beans if possible as they always receive plenty of these from supermarket donations. Please note that we are unable to take baby milk formula, but we can take baby food in tins or jars.**

Joan

Prayers

Please remember Stan Sefton in your prayers as he is recovering, to Liz Adams in your prayers as she is now at home and also Trevor Mainwaring who is recovering at home.

CALL TO SERVE

The diocese is holding an event 'Called to Serve' on Sat 23 January. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/called-to-serve-tickets->

If you want to join in with this event please register.

THANK YOU

A big thank you to everyone that has made the church look lovely this Christmas. Also a big thank to the school children of Victoria Road School, who have coloured in images for our Christmas frieze. The Christmas frieze is in the Meeting Room and is well worth a look at. We would like to give a big **THANK YOU** as well to the 14 kind helpers who cut out the Christmas Frieze images.

Rev Karen Brady

Colin Keam

Rosemary Lunt Church wardens



Parish Church of
St Michael and All Angels
Sunday 3rd January 2021

Epiphany



Services Today

8.30am Holy Communion

Rev Helen Browne

10.00am Morning Celebration

Rev Helen Browne

Bob Browne

Angels from the realms of glory

O worship the Lord

Ephesians 3: 1-12

Matthew 2: 1-12

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning

We three kings of Orient are

There will be no singing but hymns will be played as part of the service.

Wednesday 6th January

10.00am Holy Communion

PLEASE NOTE

This service is in the Meeting Room

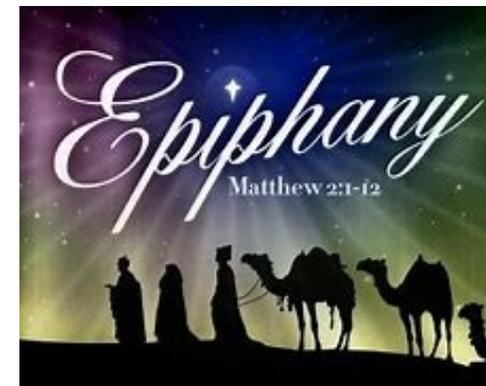
Sunday 10th January

8.30am Holy Communion

Rev Karen Brady

10.00am Holy Communion

Rev Karen Brady



Any queries please contact our Vicar: Rev Karen Brady on 01928 831795

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But not on a Friday.

or the Church Mobile

Bookings for baptisms and weddings

Tel: 07722470940 and speak to Robbie

Church website

www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk

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Saint Michael and All Angels Church, Runcorn

Collect & 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.

Ephesians 3: 1-12

For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles² Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you,³ that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly.⁴ In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ,⁵ which was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets.⁶ This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.⁷ I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power.⁸ Although I am less than the least of all the Lord's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the boundless riches of Christ,⁹ and to make plain to

everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things.¹⁰ His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms,¹¹ according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord.¹² In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.

Matthew 2: 1-12

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem² and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."³ When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him.⁴ When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Messiah was to be born.⁵ "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:⁶" "But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel."⁷ Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared.⁸ He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search

carefully for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."⁹ After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen when it rose went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was.¹⁰ When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.¹¹ On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.¹² And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

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.

Easyfundraising

If you buy from companies like Boots, PC World, Amazon, Lakeland, to name but a few, please go to the Easyfundraising website and register. The website is

https://

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causesstmichaelallangelschurchnorn/ All you need to do when you have registered is, to go to the website and find the company you are buying from. That company will then donate a percentage back to St Michael's. If you have already registered and not used the site for a while please go through easyfundraising. If you want anymore information about this please see Brian Lunt or Colin Keam and they can explain the process.

Kidney Care UK

It's a New Year, so please support and help this worthy cause. So remember to save your stamps and ask your friends and neighbours to do the same. Remember to leave 1cm margin around stamp or stamps Thank you for your continued support.

David Walker