

Fundraising

We are currently seeking donations of prizes for Tea & Toasts, so if you have any bottles of spirits or wine that you have spare could you please donate them as we are looking for raffle prizes. Also we are **desperately in need prizes for the Tombola bottles of any sort please.** if you can help please see Rosemary Lunt or Barbara Houghton. We are also looking for donation of Easter Eggs for the Tea & Toast tombola (5th April and the Easter bingo (11th April). If you can help donate please see Rosemary or Barbara.

Runcorn Food Bank

This week the Food Bank needs tinned fish, tea bags, powdered milk, size 6 & 7 nappies, clothes washing powder or pods and bags for life. **PLEASE NO BEANS.** Recently we donated **£36.85kg in food and £46 in cash**

This year we are donating food for the animals as well as for the people. If you could please donate dog or cat food put it in the basket at the back of church.

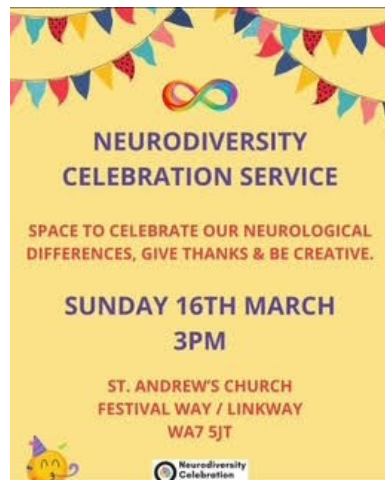
Car Parking

In the interest of good community relations with the local residents please can we **NOT park** in Fox Street or Eaton Street outside peoples homes. Please park on Victoria Road or in the cemetery. Please can you only use the church car park if you are mobility impaired or are carrying items for church events.

Thank you

Important Notice

From Sunday 20th April (Easter Sunday) we will be reintroducing the passing of the collection plate.



Please do keep in touch with us here at St Michaels, we would like to hear from you again.

Any enquiries relating in booking a Baptism, Wedding or Funeral can be made through our Admin Officer, Robbie on preferably **email stmichaelsruncorn@gmail.com or the mobile 07718133018**

For safeguarding matters email safeguardingsmaa@gmail.com

Our Vicar, Revd George Roach can be contacted on **01928 832734** or vicar.smaaruncorn@gmail.com The Vicars rest day is Friday

We are continuing to grow our social media presence, please do search for us on **Facebook** or on our website **www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk**



Parish Church of
St Michael and All Angels
Sunday 16th March 2025
2nd Sunday of Lent
Theme: "Preparing for the
Passion"



Welcome to St Michael and All Angels this morning!

If you are new here, please make sure you say **HELLO** to the church staff and volunteers who will do all they can to assist you.

This service sheet is available in large print and blue paper for those with visual impairment or learning differences

Services Today

8.30am Holy Communion

Revd George Roach

Philippians 3: 17- 4:1

Luke 13: 31-end

10.30am Holy Communion

Revd George Roach

51 Be thou my Vision

Philippians 3: 17- 4:1

1024 All my days

(Repeat Chorus)

Luke 13: 31-end

988 How deep the Fathers Love for us

Awake, awake O Zion

Turn your eyes upon Jesus

449 Love Divine



Regular Activities at St Michael's

Tuesday 18th March

10.00am-12.00noon Crafters

Wednesday 19th March

10.00am Holy Communion

Thursday 20th March

10.30am Bible Study led by

Revd Helen Browne

Friday 21st March

7.30pm Alpha

Sunday 23rd March

8.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

Collect & Readings

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Philippians 3: 17- 4:1

¹⁷Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do. ¹⁸For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things. ²⁰But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you whom I love and long for, my joy and

crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, dear friends!

Luke 13: 31-end

³¹At that time some Pharisees came to Jesus and said to him, "Leave this place and go somewhere else. Herod wants to kill you." ³²He replied, "Go tell that fox, 'I will keep on driving out demons and healing people today and tomorrow, and on the third day I will reach my goal.' ³³In any case, I must press on today and tomorrow and the next day—for surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem! ³⁴"Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, and you were not willing. ³⁵Look, your house is left to you desolate. I tell you, you will not see me again until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

Post Communion

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Information

'The Wardens politely ask that if any member of the congregation needs to speak to Rev George on a Sunday morning, would they please leave it until the service is over. This gives George the space to prepare and pray for the service without interruption. This will help enormously. Thank you.'

Bible/Prayer Journaling

A Bible/prayer Journaling Session, run by Joan Clare, has been arranged for **Saturday 29th March between 2.00pm and 4.00pm**. Please put your name down at the back of the church to register your interest.

YOU DON'T NEED: -

- * A special journaling bible
- * To be artistic
- * To have lots of craft materials

YOU DO WANT: -

- *To draw closer to God
- *To deepen your faith
- *To further your understanding of the bible

You might like to bring a bible that you want to start journaling in. Materials for journaling will be provided.

Pebbles, Beads and Prayer

A session looking at prayer beads within the Christian faith will be taking place in the community hall at **7.00pm on Sunday 16th March and Wednesday 19th March at 5.00pm**.

Mothing Sunday

The Mothing Sunday service will take place on **Sunday 30th March @ 10.30am**.

Lent lunches & prayer times

These will take place weekly on Mondays during Lent, from **10th March onwards**.
12.00 Prayer time
12.30 Soup & bread lunch
Donations to Runcorn Food Bank

Lent Meditation Group

The Lent Meditation group will take place on **Tuesday 18th & 25th March and Tuesday 1st & 8th April @ 7.00pm**.

