

## Fundraising

**We are desperate for donations for the tombola and raffle prizes,** so please have a look to see if you have any items for the tombola and raffle prizes. **We cannot do this without your help.** So if you can please donate any of these items please 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. Tickets for the Quiz Night on Saturday 11th September are on sale now for £6. Please see Lynne Corker or Duncan Prince for the tickets.**

## 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 need the following: Tinned Fish; Long Life Milk; Tinned Fruit; Coffee; Shower gel.** The food bank would prefer their regular donors to **avoid giving beans if possible** as they always receive plenty of these from supermarket donations. **They have plenty of Biscuits and Pasta Sauce.** **Last week we donated 3.8kg of food and £91.50.** Thank you for your ongoing support in helping us to make sure no-one in our community goes hungry.

Blessings Helen

## Easing of restrictions

" Following consultation with the congregation, we will be singing hymns in church from Sunday 22nd August. There will be a gradual, staged relaxation of regulations, and we ask that you consider other people's reservations regarding personal space, and the wearing of a mask.

At long last we're able to ease some of our Covid restrictions:

- No register desk when you arrive but QR codes still on Display.
- Masks will be optional.
- We're singing hymns again (Gloria, Sanctus etc still spoken for the time being).
- Social distancing will continue for the time being.
- Current practices for the Peace, Collection and Communion will continue.

## Seamen's Memorial & Garden

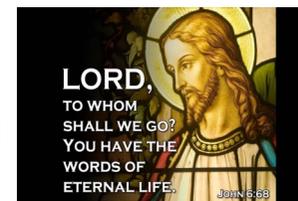
There will be an Opening Ceremony of the new memorial garden 11.45am Fri 3 Sept by Halton Borough Council and Tony Miller. We're awaiting more information on the detail, but we'll keep you updated.

## Services in September

5th Sept Morning Celebration  
12th Sept Giving Sunday  
19th Sept Civic Service for the New Mayor  
26th Sept Patronal Festival



Parish Church of  
St Michael and All Angels  
Sunday 22nd August 2021  
12th Sunday after Trinity



## Services Today

8.30am Holy Communion  
Rev Karen Brady

10.00am Holy Communion  
Rev Karen Brady

Mission Praise  
23 All things bright and beautiful

Ephesians 6: 10-20

3 Abba Father

John 6: 56-69

If you believe and I believe  
*Come to God's table*

143 Fight the good fight

## Tuesday 24th August

10.00am-12.00noon Crafters

## Wednesday 25th August

10.00am Holy Communion

## Sunday 29th August

8.30am Holy Communion  
Rev Karen Brady

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Any queries please contact our  
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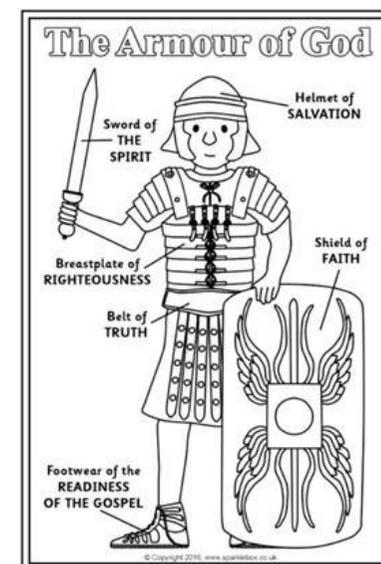
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But not on a Friday.

or the Church Mobile  
Bookings for baptisms and  
weddings

Tel: 07722470940 and speak to  
Robbie

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## Collects & Readings

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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 6: 10-20**

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. <sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. <sup>13</sup> Therefore put on the full armour of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. <sup>14</sup> Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, <sup>15</sup> and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup> In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup> Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. <sup>18</sup> And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always

keep on praying for all the Lord's people. <sup>19</sup> Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

### **John 6: 56-69**

<sup>56</sup> Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. <sup>57</sup> Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. <sup>58</sup> This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever." <sup>59</sup> He said this while teaching in the synagogue in Capernaum. <sup>60</sup> On hearing it, many of his disciples said, "This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?" <sup>61</sup> Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, "Does this offend you? <sup>62</sup> Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! <sup>63</sup> The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. <sup>64</sup> Yet there are some of you who do not believe." For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. <sup>65</sup> He went on to say, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them." <sup>66</sup> From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him. <sup>67</sup> "You do not want to leave too, do you?" Jesus asked the Twelve. <sup>68</sup> Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. <sup>69</sup> We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God."

## Post Communion

God of all mercy, in this Eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Children's Society Collection Boxes

For many years, Margaret Batters has diligently done the valuable task of collecting, counting and banking the generous cash donations from St Michael's. Unfortunately, she can't do this any longer. So, we need a couple of volunteers willing to work together on this important work. Can you help? Please speak to Rosemary or Chris.

### Pastoral Care Team

The Pastoral Care Team exists to keep in touch with church members and offer support if needed. If you need to contact the Team, please get in touch with Helen Browne or Rosemary Lunt, who are the co-ordinators.



**Coffee Morning**  
**Online...**  
Join us every Monday morning 11 am to 12 pm. Have a coffee together, a chat and maybe the odd giggle

Zoom Meeting ID  
890 5388 9055

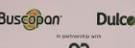
Eager to maintain the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace' Ephesians 4:3

### NEWS

Please join us every Monday for our virtual Coffee Morning. It will be done by Zoom and the ID is 890 5388 9055 to log in. So have your coffee ready for 11.00am.

### Your help is needed

We need your help. Superdrug is donating money to Marie Curie Cancer Care. They are turning empty blister packs into money, so for every kilo donated they get they will donate £1.



turn your empty medicine blister packets into donations for



recycle them at the pharmacy counter



LITTLE BRACKS BIG IMPACT

'Thank you and please keep giving'. Our giving empty blister packs has been so successful, we've started to use a bigger box! So keep saving please.