

**St Michael's Maintenance  
Appeal Committee**

**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. 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. The next Tea & Toast is on February 1st. We cannot do this without your help.** The committee is seeking you inspiration for new and different stalls, so please let the committee know your ideas.

**Ladies, can you please sort through your handbags and scarves. At the February Tea & Toast we are having a pre-loved bags and scarf stall and all donations will be welcome.**  
**Thank you Fundraising Committee**

**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 only need donation of Tinned Tomatoes and Pasta. 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 can I ask you to check the **dates on your donated goods.** Last week we donated 7.25kgs in food and £23 in cash.

**Thanks Joan**

**Diocesan Lay Conference**

The Lay Conference is held every 3 years and it being held again this year. It will be held at the Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick on the weekend of 15th to 17th May 2020. If you want to go and want more information about the conference please see Bob. We need to register by the end of January so please let Bob know by next week 26th at the latest.

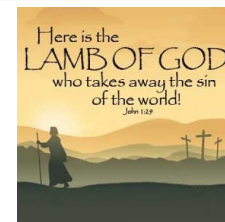
**50/50 Club**

If you are already a member, and would still like to continue in the 50/50 Club. Please see the person who collects your money and let them know or let Brian Lunt. Also if you want to join see Brian Lunt or Colin Keam. It's costs a £1 a week.

**A St Michael's welcome again to Revd Malcolm Kelly to our Sunday service today.**



**Parish Church of  
St Michael and All Angels  
Sunday 19th January 2020  
2nd Sunday of Epiphany**



**Services Today**

- 8.30am** Holy Communion  
**Rev Helen Browne**  
**10.00am** Holy Communion  
**Rev Malcolm Kelly**  
**Red Book**  
**100** All people that on earth do dwell  
Isaiah 49: 1-7  
**426** The Lord's my shepherd  
John 1: 29-42  
**148** At the name of Jesus  
*157 Breathe on me breath of God*  
*216 O God of Bethel by whose hand*  
**99** O God, our help in ages past  
**6.45pm Bible Study**

**Monday 20th January**

- 9.00am-10.30am** Little Treasures  
Tots Group.  
**11.00am** Places of Welcome Meeting

**Tuesday 21st January**

- 10.00am-12.00noon** Crafters

**Wednesday 22nd January**

- 10.00am** Holy Communion

**Thursday 23rd January**

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

**Saturday 25th January**

- 10.00am -12.00noon** Art Club

**Sunday 26th January**

- 8.30am** Holy Communion  
**10.00am** Holy Communion  
**6.45pm Bible Study**



**Any queries please contact the  
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**or  
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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

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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.

### **Isaiah 49: 1-7**

Listen to me, all you in distant lands! Pay attention, you who are far away! The LORD called me before my birth; from within the womb he called me by name.<sup>2</sup> He made my words of judgment as sharp as a sword. He has hidden me in the shadow of his hand. I am like a sharp arrow in his quiver. <sup>3</sup> He said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, and you will bring me glory.” <sup>4</sup> I replied, “But my work seems so useless! I have spent my strength for nothing and to no purpose. Yet I leave it all in the LORD’s hand; I will trust God for my reward.” <sup>5</sup> And now the LORD speaks—the one who formed me in my mother’s womb to be his servant, who commissioned me to bring Israel back to him. The LORD has honoured me, and my God has given me strength. <sup>6</sup> He says, “You will do more than restore the people of Israel to me. I will make you a light to the Gentiles, and you will bring my salvation to the ends of the earth.” <sup>7</sup> The LORD, the Redeemer and Holy One of Israel, says to the one who is despised and rejected by the nations, to the one who is the servant of rulers: “Kings will stand at attention when you pass by. Princes will also bow low because

of the LORD, the faithful one, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

### **John 1: 29-42**

<sup>29</sup> The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup> He is the one I was talking about when I said, ‘A man is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.’ <sup>31</sup> I did not recognize him as the Messiah, but I have been baptizing with water so that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup> Then John testified, “I saw the Holy Spirit descending like a dove from heaven and resting upon him. <sup>33</sup> I didn’t know he was the one, but when God sent me to baptize with water, he told me, ‘The one on whom you see the Spirit descend and rest is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup> I saw this happen to Jesus, so I testify that he is the Chosen One of God.” <sup>35</sup> The following day John was again standing with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup> As Jesus walked by, John looked at him and declared, “Look! There is the Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup> When John’s two disciples heard this, they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> Jesus looked around and saw them following. “What do you want?” he asked them. They replied, “Rabbi” (which means “Teacher”), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup> “Come and see,” he said. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon when they went with him to the place where he was staying, and they remained with him the rest of the day. <sup>40</sup> Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of these men who heard what John said and then followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup> Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him,

“We have found the Messiah” (which means “Christ”). <sup>42</sup> Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, “Your name is Simon, son of John—but you will be called Cephas” (which means “Peter”).

### **Post Communion**

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **CRAFTERS FOR SPRING 2020**

They are knitting hats and booties for babies in the Neo Natal Ward at Warrington Hospital. They welcome knitters and wool donations.



### **WALKING FOR HEALTH IN 2020**

Join a free and friendly HEALTH WALK from St Pauls Health Centre on Fridays @ 11am. Walks last approx: 30 minutes on paths with qualified leaders.

### **Kidney Care UK**

Many thanks to you all who support our collection of used postage stamps. Remember Christmas is coming up soon, so remind your neighbours and friends to save their stamps and support this cause.

Please see the poster on the noticeboard in the Meeting Room for more tips on stamp donations.

Thank you for your continued support  
**David Walker**