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 if you can help please see Rosemary Lunt or Barbara Houghton.

Runcorn Food Bank

This week the Food Bank needs
Tinned meat, tinned fish, jam, dog
food, clothes washing powder or
pods, bags for life. PLEASE NO
BEANS.

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.

Church Work

Work to begin in the hall on the 6th January 2024. Please be patient with us and please note that the hall will be out of bounds for a while. For toilets, please use the Vestry Toilet by the Vicars office at the front of the Church when applicable.

Car Parking

In the interest of good community relations with the local residents please can we <u>NOT park</u> 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

"There will be a Christmas Tree Festival debrief meeting on Wednesday 22/1/25 at 7 pm, in the Jose Colley room.

This meeting is open to all and we welcome anyone who has ideas for improvement or who wishes to volunteer etc."

Thank you. Rosemary.



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 19th January 2025 2nd Sunday of Epiphany Theme: 'Kingdom Sunday'



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

10.30am Holy Communion
Revd George Roach
Mission Praise
1072 In Christ Alone
1 Corinthians 12: 12-26
624 Take my life and let it be
John 15: 1-9
799 All I once held dear
I am the vine
You are the Vine

Printed sheet: We seek Your kingdom



Regular Activities at St Michael

Tuesday 21st January

10.00am-12.00noon Crafters

7.30pm Bible Study led by

Revd George Roach

Wednesday 22nd January
10.00am Holy Communion
In the losé Colley Room

Thursday 23rd January

10.30am Bible Study led by Revd Helen Browne

Sunday 26th January

10.30am Holy Communion

Collect & Readings

Lord Jesus, who prayed that we might all be one, we pray to you for the unity of Christians, according to your will, according to your means. May your Spirit enable us to experience the suffering caused by division, to see our sin and to hope beyond all hope.

1 Corinthians 12: 12-26 ¹² lust as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. ¹⁴ Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many. John 15: 1-9 ¹⁵ Now if the foot should say, belong to the body," it would not the body. 16 And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do be even more fruitful. ³ You are not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸ But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹ If they were all one part, where would the body be? 20 As it is, there are many parts, but one body. ²¹ The eye cannot say to the withers; such branches are picked

hand, "I don't need you!" And the

head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" ²² On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and the parts that we think are less honourable we treat with special honour. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, ²⁴ while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honour to the parts that lacked it, ²⁵ so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. ²⁶ If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honoured, every part rejoices with

"I am the true vine, and my Father "Because I am not a hand, I do not is the gardener. ² He cuts off every branch in me that bears no for that reason stop being part of fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. ⁴ Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself: it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. ⁵"l am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and

up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. ⁹ "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Now remain in my love.

Post Communion

God of glory, you nourish us with vour 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 lesus Christ our Lord.

