

## 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 has been giving out more food than what has been coming in. The food bank would prefer their regular donors to avoid giving beans if possible as they always receive plenty of these from supermarket donations. So they currently need Tinned or Mashed Potato, Tinned Fruit and Men's toiletries. Please note that we are unable to take baby milk formula, but we can take baby food in tins or jars.** Joan  
**This week we donated 8.45kg and £10 in money.**



## Face Masks

The government have announced that from Saturday 6th August Face Masks will be mandatory in Places of Worship. So please make sure that you have your Face Mask/covering with you, if not we have some in church.

## Kidney Care

Kidney Care UK helps dialysis and transplant patients with grants to meet hospital visits and modest holidays. It receives no central funding thus your used postage stamps are critical for this work to continue, Please leave your used stamps in the collection box on top of the food bank cupboard, Remember to leave 1 cm margin around each stamp. Many thanks for your support.  
**David Walker**

## Services

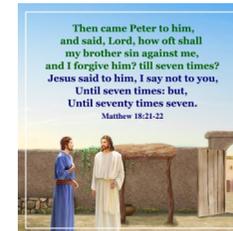
Some pointers for the congregation

1. Maintain social distancing
2. Don't forget to sanitise your hands on entry and exit.
3. Collect your Order of service as you come in as usual.
4. NO singing by the congregation.
5. **Please avoid touching the top of the pews if possible, or if you prefer communion in the pew, please tell one of the sidespeople and they will arrange this.**
6. NO refreshments after the service.
7. NO collection plate to be passed around, but there will be a plate at the entry point and exit point.
8. **At the 8.30am and Wednesday Holy Communion services, communion will be distributed by the minister coming down the aisle to the end of each pew rather than coming up to the altar in turn.**
9. After the service if the weather's good, people may choose to go outside and chat after the service. Don't congregate at the back of church. Because we need to clean the church.

During the service, who ever is leading the service will prompt the congregation what they need to do.



**Parish Church of  
St Michael and All Angels  
Sunday 13th September 2020  
14th Sunday after Trinity**



## Services Today

**8.30am** Holy Communion

**Rev Karen Brady**

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All people that on earth do dwell

**Romans 14: 1-12**

Loves redeeming work is done

**Matthew 18: 21-35**

Rejoice the Lord is King

*Lead me Lord*

All things bright and beautiful

**(Claire & Matt Roth's Choice)**

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

## Tuesday 15th September

**10.00am-12.00noon** Crafters

## Wednesday 16th September

**10.00am** Holy Communion

## Sunday 20th September

**8.30am** Holy Communion

**Rev Karen Brady**

**10.00am** Holy Communion

Leading: **Rev Helen Browne**

Preaching: **Rev Karen Brady**

**Last week as part of the service we celebrated Luna Rose Browne who was born in May to Peter and Sarah Browne. This is Bob & Helen Browne's Grandchild. This week we are celebrating the birth of Claire & Matt Roth's daughter Elizabeth Marie Roth who was born on June 4th 2020**

## **Memory Verse**

Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times."

—Matthew 18:21-22 (ESV)



**Any queries please contact our Vicar: Rev Karen Brady on 07419820864 or email revkarenbrady@gmail.com 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**  
**Facebook**  
**Saint Michael and All Angels Church, Runcorn**

## Collect & Readings

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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.

### **Romans 14: 1-12**

Accept other believers who are weak in faith, and don't argue with them about what they think is right or wrong.<sup>2</sup> For instance, one person believes it's all right to eat anything. But another believer with a sensitive conscience will eat only vegetables.<sup>3</sup> Those who feel free to eat anything must not look down on those who don't. And those who don't eat certain foods must not condemn those who do, for God has accepted them.<sup>4</sup> Who are you to condemn someone else's servants? Their own master will judge whether they stand or fall. And with the Lord's help, they will stand and receive his approval.<sup>5</sup> In the same way, some think one day is more holy than another day, while others think every day is alike. You should each be fully convinced that whichever day you choose is acceptable.<sup>6</sup> Those who worship the Lord on a special day do it to honour him. Those who eat any kind of food do so to honour the Lord, since they give thanks to God before eating. And those who refuse to eat certain foods also want to please the Lord and give thanks to God.<sup>7</sup> For we don't live for ourselves or die for ourselves.<sup>8</sup> If we live, it's to honour the Lord. And if we die, it's to honour the Lord. So

whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.<sup>9</sup> Christ died and rose again for this very purpose—to be Lord both of the living and of the dead.<sup>10</sup> So why do you condemn another believer? Why do you look down on another believer? Remember, we will all stand before the judgment seat of God.<sup>11</sup> For the Scriptures say, "'As surely as I live,' says the LORD, 'every knee will bend to me, and every tongue will declare allegiance to God.'"

### **Matthew 18: 21-35**

<sup>21</sup> Then Peter came to him and asked, "Lord, how often should I forgive someone who sins against me? Seven times?"<sup>22</sup> "No, not seven times," Jesus replied, "but seventy times seven!"<sup>23</sup> "Therefore, the Kingdom of Heaven can be compared to a king who decided to bring his accounts up to date with servants who had borrowed money from him.<sup>24</sup> In the process, one of his debtors was brought in who owed him millions of dollars.<sup>25</sup> He couldn't pay, so his master ordered that he be sold—along with his wife, his children, and everything he owned—to pay the debt.<sup>26</sup> "But the man fell down before his master and begged him, 'Please, be patient with me, and I will pay it all.'<sup>27</sup> Then his master was filled with pity for him, and he released him and forgave his debt.<sup>28</sup> "But when the man left the king, he went to a fellow servant who owed him a few thousand dollars. He grabbed him by the throat and demanded instant payment.<sup>29</sup> "His fellow servant fell down before him and begged for a little more time. 'Be patient with me, and I will pay it,' he pleaded.<sup>30</sup> But his creditor wouldn't

wait. He had the man arrested and put in prison until the debt could be paid in full.<sup>31</sup> "When some of the other servants saw this, they were very upset. They went to the king and told him everything that had happened.<sup>32</sup> Then the king called in the man he had forgiven and said, 'You evil servant! I forgave you that tremendous debt because you pleaded with me.<sup>33</sup> Shouldn't you have mercy on your fellow servant, just as I had mercy on you?'<sup>34</sup> Then the angry king sent the man to prison to be tortured until he had paid his entire debt.<sup>35</sup> "That's what my heavenly Father will do to you if you refuse to forgive your brothers and sisters from your heart."

### Post Communion

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Operation Christmas Child

**This year many churches are not taking part in Operation Christmas Child, but St Michael's has decided to take part. The boxes are at the back of church if you want to take part. If you don't want to personally fill a box, you can donate the items into a box that will be at the back of church and we will fill if on your behalf.**  
**Or if you want, you can go to their website [www.samaritans-purse.org.uk](http://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk). When you are the website, click on Shoebox online and you can donate £20 (which includes the £5 project costs)**

and they will pack the shoe box for you, as it says '**PACK A SHOEBOX ONLINE**'. If you do a box this way please let Wendy Sefton know so she can add it to our total boxes

Wendy Sefton

### PRAYERS DURING THE OUTBREAK

For you to pray at home

#### A prayer for the church

May your love that never fails strengthen the weak encourage the fearful calm the anxious heal the sick through your church – your washed hands and feet on earth – distant but still present virtual but still connected apart but still helping. God in your mercy, hear our prayer. **AMEN**

#### A prayer for God's guidance

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we ask you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**