

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

CAN YOU HELP

Dan Nickson, Tim's brother is doing a parachute jump for Macintyre Charity on the 26th September. If you would like to donate please go to just giving.com/team/fernleafalcons or give a donation to Tim or Barbara.

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

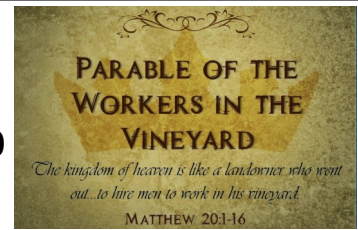
Some pointers for the congregation

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. **Pleas 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 20th September 2020
15th Sunday after Trinity



Services Today

8.30am Holy Communion
Rev Karen Brady

10.00am Holy Communion
Leading: Rev Helen Browne
Preaching: Rev Karen Brady
Fight the good fight
Philippians 1: 21-30

All creatures of our God and King
Matthew 20: 1-16

Blest are the pure in heart
Lead kindly light

Morning has broken
(David & Muriel Walker's Choice)

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

12.00noon Baptism of
Crystal, Aaron & Kyron Chadwick

Tuesday 22nd September

10.00am-12.00noon Crafters

Wednesday 23rd September

10.00am Holy Communion

Sunday 27th September

Patronal Service

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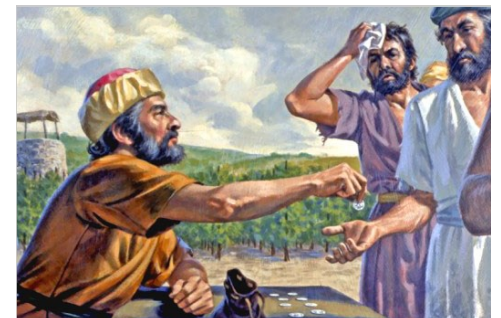
Last week as part of the service we celebrated **Elizabeth Marie Roth** who was born on June 4th 2020 to **Claire & Matt Roth**

This week we are celebrating the **Diamond Wedding Anniversary** of **David and Muriel Walker** which is on **24th September**

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

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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

²¹ For to me, living means living for Christ, and dying is even better. ²² But if I live, I can do more fruitful work for Christ. So I really don't know which is better. ²³ I'm torn between two desires: I long to go and be with Christ, which would be far better for me. ²⁴ But for your sakes, it is better that I continue to live. ²⁵ Knowing this, I am convinced that I will remain alive so I can continue to help all of you grow and experience the joy of your faith. ²⁶ And when I come to you again, you will have even more reason to take pride in Christ Jesus because of what he is doing through me. ²⁷ Above all, you must live as citizens of heaven, conducting yourselves in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ. Then, whether I come and see you again or only hear about you, I will know that you are standing together with one spirit and one purpose, fighting together for the faith, which is the Good News. ²⁸ Don't be intimidated in any way by your enemies. This will be a sign to them that they are going to be destroyed, but that you are going to be saved, even by God himself. ²⁹ For

you have been given not only the privilege of trusting in Christ but also the privilege of suffering for him. ³⁰ We are in this struggle together. You have seen my struggle in the past, and you know that I am still in the midst of it.

Matthew 18: 21-35

“For the Kingdom of Heaven is like the landowner who went out early one morning to hire workers for his vineyard. ² He agreed to pay the normal daily wage and sent them out to work. ³ “At nine o'clock in the morning he was passing through the marketplace and saw some people standing around doing nothing. ⁴ So he hired them, telling them he would pay them whatever was right at the end of the day. ⁵ So they went to work in the vineyard. At noon and again at three o'clock he did the same thing. ⁶ “At five o'clock that afternoon he was in town again and saw some more people standing around. He asked them, ‘Why haven't you been working today?’ ⁷ “They replied, ‘Because no one hired us.’ “The landowner told them, ‘Then go out and join the others in my vineyard.’ ⁸ “That evening he told the foreman to call the workers in and pay them, beginning with the last workers first. ⁹ When those hired at five o'clock were paid, each received a full day's wage. ¹⁰ When those hired first came to get their pay, they assumed they would receive more. But they, too, were paid a day's wage. ¹¹ When they received their pay, they protested to the owner, ¹² ‘Those people worked only one hour, and yet you've paid them just as much as you paid us who worked all day in the scorching heat.’ ¹³ “He answered one of them,

‘Friend, I haven't been unfair! Didn't you agree to work all day for the usual wage?’ ¹⁴ Take your money and go. I wanted to pay this last worker the same as you. ¹⁵ Is it against the law for me to do what I want with my money? Should you be jealous because I am kind to others?’ ¹⁶ “So those who are last now will be first then, and those who are first will be last.”

Post Communion

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through 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. When you are on 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

Could you please remember **John Patten** in your prayers as John is in hospital at the moment and anyone that you know.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOX HOLDERS **I'm sorry to report that this years**

box opening is already past it's normal start time and I am still waiting for the necessary paperwork to begin the collection. I have been in touch with Society headquarters and they are still considering the safest way to proceed. A number going to be in Runcorn for a few of supporters have already made their donation either online or by mail and if this is something that you would prefer to do this year there are instructions available on the Society's website or you can contact me directly (my phone number is on the collection box). I know that the Society's need for our contributions is of greater importance than ever as young people are suffering from the impact Covid 19 is having on their everyday lives, in addition the Society's 2020 'Good Childhood Report' identifies that UK teenagers have the lowest level of life satisfaction in Europe, so the Society's workers will have much to do in the coming year. Your donations will contribute towards providing help and support for these vulnerable young people and are appreciated so much. I hope that I will be able to bring you more information very soon. With love and prayers,
Margaret Batters