

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.** Recently we donated **£40 in cash and 26.65kg in food**

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

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**

Church when applicable.

Car Parking

In the interest of good community relations with the local residents please can we **NOT park** 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

Information

'The Wardens politely ask that if any member of the congregation needs to speak to Rev George on a Sunday morning, would they please leave it until the service is over. This gives George the space to prepare and pray for the service without interruption. This will help enormously. Thank you.'



Parish Church of
St Michael and All Angels
Sunday 26th January 2025
3rd Sunday of Epiphany
Theme: 'Today'



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

1003 My Jesus, My Saviour

10.30am Holy Communion

Revd George Roach

Mission Praise

379 Jesus shall reign where're
the sun

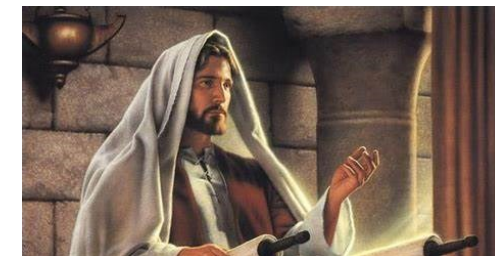
Nehemiah 8: 1-3,5-6,8-10

237 Holy, holy, holy Lord God
Almighty (repeat last 2 lines)

Luke 4: 14-21

613 Spirit of the Living God
(Sung twice)

*Speak O Lord
How lovely on the
Mountain*



Regular Activities at St Michael

Revd Helen Browne

Tuesday 28th January

10.00am-12.00noon Crafters

In the José Colley Room

Saturday 1st February

10.00am-12.00noon

Tea & Toast

Wednesday 29th January

10.00am Holy Communion

In the José Colley Room

Sunday 2nd February

8.30am Holy Communion

10.30am Café Church

Thursday 30th January

10.30am Bible Study led by

Collect & Readings

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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.

Nehemiah 8: 1-3,5-6,8-10

¹ all the people came together as one in the square before the Water Gate. They told Ezra the teacher of the Law to bring out the Book of the Law of Moses, which the LORD had commanded for Israel. ² So on the first day of the seventh month Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, which was made up of men and women and all who were able to understand. ³ He read it aloud from daybreak till noon as he faced the square before the Water Gate in the presence of the men, women and others who could understand. And all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law. ⁵ Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up. ⁶ Ezra praised the LORD, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, "Amen! Amen!" Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

⁸ They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clear and giving the meaning so that the people understood what was being read. ⁹ Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and teacher of the Law, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, "This day is holy to the LORD your God. Do not mourn or weep." For all the people had been weeping as they listened to the words of the Law. ¹⁰ Nehemiah said, "Go and enjoy choice food and sweet drinks, and send some to those who have nothing prepared. This day is holy to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Luke 4: 14-21

¹⁴ Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside. ¹⁵ He was teaching in their synagogues, and everyone praised him. ¹⁶ He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷ and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: ¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour." ²⁰ Then he rolled up the

scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. ²¹ He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

Post Communion

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

