

## 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.

**Looking ahead to the December Tea & Toast we will need chocolates and other sweets for the Tombola and for the January Tea & Toast 'ordinary' tombola items.**

## Winter Bingo

We are holding a Winter Bingo on the **8th November** and we looking for people to donate the following items for prizes, **Wine, Chocolates and boxes of biscuits.** Please see Rosemary or Lynne if you can donate any of these items.

## Runcorn Food Bank

This week the Food Bank needs

**Mashed potato, long life milk, jam, tinned vegetables, tinned spaghetti, tinned tomatoes, tinned rice pudding, toiletries - shower gel,**

**deodorant and shampoo.**  
**PLEASE NO BEANS.**

## Bereavement Café

And these are the following dates:-  
**Fridays- 8th November and 13th December.**

Each session is **12.00noon to 1.00pm**  
Please come along.

## Samaritans Purse

It is now time to fill a shoe box for 'Samaritans Purse' when children receive their box filled with goodies by you. Boxes are sent to all parts of the world as an expression of God's love for a child. You can also have a box filled for you at 'Samaritans Purse' headquarters by booking online. Collect a shoe box here at the back of church and decorate a shoe box of your own. Take a leaflet which will give you the ideas of what to put in the box. **Please return by Sunday 17th November. THANK YOU Wendy**

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](mailto:stmichaelsruncorn@gmail.com) or the church mobile 07731677693**

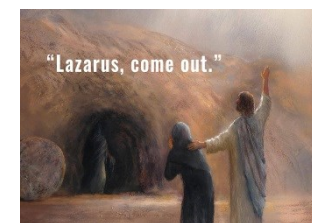
For safeguarding matters email [safeguardingsmaa@gmail.com](mailto:safeguardingsmaa@gmail.com)

Our Vicar, Revd George Roach can be contacted on **01928 832734** or [vicar.smaaruncorn@gmail.com](mailto: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 and X!** or on our website **[www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk](http://www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk)**



Parish Church of  
St Michael and All Angels  
Sunday 3rd November 2024  
**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**



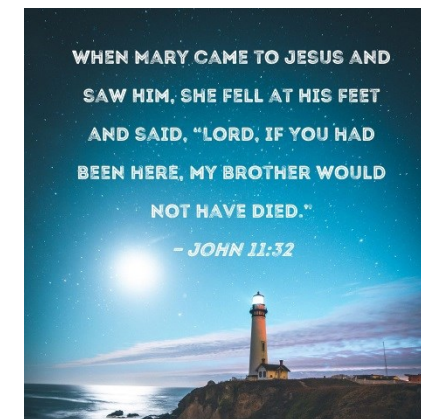
**Welcome to St Michael and All Angels this morning!**

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

**8.30am** Holy Communion  
Leading : Rev Helen Browne  
Preaching: Revd George Roach  
Wisdom 3: 1-9  
John 11: 32-44  
**10.30am** Café Church  
Revd George Roach  
**Theme: All Saints**  
Mission Praise  
For all the Saints who from their labours rest  
Holy, Holy, Holy  
When the Saints go marching in  
John 11: 32-44



## Regular Activities at St Michael

**Monday 4th November**  
9.00am Prayer group by Zoom

**Tuesday 5th November**  
10.00am-12.00noon Crafters

**Wednesday 6th November**  
10.00am Holy Communion  
Wisdom 3: 1-9  
John 11: 32-44

**Thursday 7th November**  
10.30am Bible Study led by Revd Helen Browne

**Friday 8th November**  
12.00noon **The Wedding of James Wright & Catherine Anne Wright**

**Sunday 10th November**  
10.30am Holy Communion

## Collect & Readings

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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.

### **Wisdom 3: 1-9**

But the souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment will ever touch them. <sup>2</sup>In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died, and their departure was thought to be an affliction, <sup>3</sup>and their going from us to be their destruction; but they are at peace. <sup>4</sup>For though in the sight of men they were punished, their hope is full of immortality. <sup>5</sup>Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good, because God tested them and found them worthy of himself; <sup>6</sup>like gold in the furnace he tried them, and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them. <sup>7</sup>In the time of their visitation they will shine forth, and will run like sparks through the stubble. <sup>8</sup>They will govern nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord will reign over them for ever. <sup>9</sup>Those who trust in him will understand

truth, and the faithful will abide with him in love, because grace and mercy are upon his elect, and he watches over his holy ones.

### **John 11: 32-44**

<sup>32</sup>When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died."<sup>33</sup>When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. <sup>34</sup>"Where have you laid him?" he asked. "Come and see, Lord," they replied. <sup>35</sup>Jesus wept. <sup>36</sup>Then the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" <sup>37</sup>But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" <sup>38</sup>Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. <sup>39</sup>"Take away the stone," he said. "But, Lord," said Martha, the sister of the dead man, "by this time there is a bad odour, for he has been there four days." <sup>40</sup>Then Jesus said, "Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" <sup>41</sup>So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. <sup>42</sup>I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me."<sup>43</sup>When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" <sup>44</sup>The dead

man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

## Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Christmas 2024

With Christmas coming up quickly, there are children in our parish who are not as well off as other people. So if you **"Can you buy an extra Christmas present this year for a boy or Girl? Any age range. New and unused only please. Let's put some smiles on faces this Christmas"** Please bring them to church.

### Christmas Tree Festival and Grand Draw

Barbara and Trevor are going to set up a bottle tombola stall to run throughout the CTF. We are aiming for just 100 prizes, but if it proves really popular maybe we can redo it after a couple of days. So if you can by donating these items, please see **Barbara Houghton or Trevor Mainwaring.** The Grand Draw tickets are now available at the back of Church, please see Colin Keam for your

tickets. If could take **10 books** to sell that would be appreciated. When you have sold them please return them to Colin Keam.

### SPARE BIBLES

"Do you have any spare Bibles in good condition you would like to donate to St Michael's as the Vicar keeps giving them away !. All translations welcome.

### Children Society Boxes

Thank you to everyone for bringing your Children's Society boxes in so promptly. As a result of your generosity, we have raised a massive **£1,319.10** for this very worthy charity.

**Thanks again, Gaynor and Wendy**

### Service of Remembrance & Hope

This annual service will be held on **Sunday 17th November at 3.00pm.** All bereaved people, whether their loss is recent or not, are welcome to attend. Please spread the word to anyone you know who might be interested.

Blessings  
Helen