

## 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, fruit juice, long life milk, coffee, tinned tomatoes, tin vegetables, tinned fruit, instant soup, fruit juice and bags for life or carrier bags .

Please put donations of food or money into the cupboard at the back of church.

## LENT LUNCHES and PRAYER TIME 2024

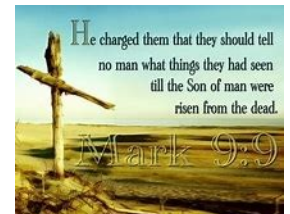
During Lent we will be holding Lent prayer times and lunches on Fridays in the Meeting Room from **16th February until 22nd March** The prayer times will be half an hour of creative prayer, easy to join in with, **starting at 12.00noon**. The prayer time will be followed by a bread and soup lunch, kindly provided by Robbie and VML helper's at **12.30 p.m.**

Donations this year will be sent to the **British Red Cross** which will be used to help with the help in Gaza.

**ALL WELCOME, WHENEVER YOU CAN MAKE IT**



Parish Church of  
St Michael and All Angels  
Sunday 11th February 2024  
Sunday next before Lent



## 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

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2 Kings 2: 1-12

Hb 2 All My Days (Beautiful Saviour)

Mark 9: 2-9

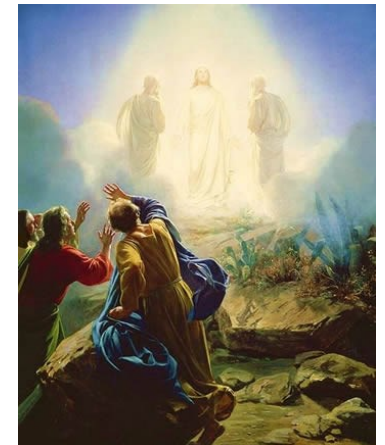
613 Spirit of the Living God

*Holy*

*Holy Spirit living breath of God*

204 Hail to the Lord anointed

**12.30pm Baptism of Hollie Josie Hall**



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 **07722470940** or email **stmichaelsruncorn@gmail.com**

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 and X!** or on our website **www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk**

## Regular Activities at St Michaels

### Friday 16th February

12.00 noon Prayer Time

12.30pm Lent Lunch

### Tuesday 13th February

10.00am-12.00noon Crafters

### Wednesday 14th February

**ASH WEDNESDAY**

10.00am Holy Communion

### Sunday 18th February

10.30am Holy Communion

## Collect & Readings

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **2 Kings 2: 1-12**

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. <sup>2</sup> Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; the Lord has sent me to Bethel." But Elisha said, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. <sup>3</sup> The company of the prophets at Bethel came out to Elisha and asked, "Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?" "Yes, I know," Elisha replied, "so be quiet." <sup>4</sup> Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here, Elisha; the LORD has sent me to Jericho." And he replied, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So they went to Jericho. <sup>5</sup> The company of the prophets at Jericho went up to Elisha and asked him, "Do you know that the LORD is going to take your master from you today?" "Yes, I know," he replied, "so be quiet." <sup>6</sup> Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; the LORD has sent

me to the Jordan." And he replied, "As surely as the LORD lives and as you live, I will not leave you." So the two of them walked on. <sup>7</sup> Fifty men from the company of the prophets went and stood at a distance, facing the place where Elijah and Elisha had stopped at the Jordan. <sup>8</sup> Elijah took his cloak, rolled it up and struck the water with it. The water divided to the right and to the left, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground. <sup>9</sup> When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me, what can I do for you before I am taken from you?" "Let me inherit a double portion of your spirit," Elisha replied. <sup>10</sup> "You have asked a difficult thing," Elijah said, "yet if you see me when I am taken from you, it will be yours—otherwise, it will not." <sup>11</sup> As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. <sup>12</sup> Elisha saw this and cried out, "My father! My father! The chariots and horsemen of Israel!" And Elisha saw him no more. Then he took hold of his garment and tore it in two.

### **Mark 9: 2-9**

<sup>2</sup> After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them. <sup>3</sup> His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world

could bleach them. <sup>4</sup> And there appeared before them Elijah and Moses, who were talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup> (He did not know what to say, they were so frightened.) <sup>7</sup> Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" <sup>8</sup> Suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone with them except Jesus. <sup>9</sup> As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

### Post Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### Wanted

If a member of the congregation has a sewing machine that they don't use anymore or you know someone that has one. Please see Saniya who is a member of our congregation

### FUNDRAISING EVENT

On Saturday 24th February we are recreating the TV show 'Would I Lie to You' with Robbie Littler, Duncan Prince and Darren Gibbons as the guest presenters in the Meeting Room. So it will be a fun evening and the tickets are priced **£7 bring your own drinks and nibbles** and if you can be there for **6.30pm** so we can start at **7.00pm**



COME TOGETHER

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*Prayer  
Breakfast*

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An invitation to come together to pray for youth work and young people across Runcorn.

When: Saturday 24th Feb, 9am  
Where: St. Bertoline, Windmill Hill  
Contact: Danny Sedano  
(danny.sedano@chester.anglican.org)