



# ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, BRAMCOTE

## KEEPING IN TOUCH – 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

### Responding to the New Covid-19 Regulations

The most recent Covid-19 regulations that forbid indoor contacts between different households have left many of us feeling quite low as we face another period of being unable to meet with our families and friends. At our AGM last week, our vicar Paul anticipated this by suggesting that all of us make a point of being in regular phone contact with at least one other person during this difficult period.

Through this newsletter we would like to further encourage this by asking all those who are keen to respond to Paul's suggestion to let us know that you would like to do so.

We may well be able to put you in contact with one or more other people who are keen to help in this way. Perhaps there is a particular person you would like to contact but you do not have his/her contact details? We may be able to help here too.

Another way for supporting others, of course, is to look out for anyone who may be experiencing any difficulties. The St Michael's Support Group may well be able to help. Again, do let us know if you know of anyone in such circumstances.

Thank you

### This Week's Diary

#### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October

- This week the Sunday Service at 10:00am at St Michael's, Bramcote will be a Service of Holy Communion. As always, it would be helpful if you will let us know if you will be attending. Please email us at [care@bramcoteparishchurch.com](mailto:care@bramcoteparishchurch.com) or phone us on (0115) 943 0137; this is simply to indicate to us the number of people who will be attending so that we can ensure that enough socially distanced seats are available.
- As usual, an on-line 'Service of Reflection' will appear on the website at <https://saintmichaelsbramcote.com>, and this will continue to be available for the whole of the week following. The feedback we receive is that this 'virtual' service remains very popular and is especially appreciated by those who feel unable to come to church on a Sunday at the present time.

#### Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

- Church is open for personal/private prayer from 10:00am to 12:00pm each day. Welcomers are present to meet visitors to the church. Everyone is welcome.
- Daily reflections on a bible passage are on the church website at <https://saintmichaelsbramcote.com>.

#### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October

- This popular Bible Course continues to be delivered via Zoom at 19:30pm. Contact David Curnock for the log-in details. His email address is [dcurnock@doctors.org.uk](mailto:dcurnock@doctors.org.uk). Everyone is welcome.

#### Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October

- Continuation of the Bible Study on Paul's Letter to the Ephesians. This study is delivered via Zoom and starts at 14:00pm. Phone (0115) 916 4588 or email [rev.lillian@googlemail.com](mailto:rev.lillian@googlemail.com) for more information.

## Invitation to a Traidcraft Pre-Christmas Special Event

*Christine Cleave writes:*

Dear Friends,

Thank you very much for your support of Traidcraft over the last 6 months in buying Fairtrade goods from me. This means a lot to the producers in poor countries, who are enabled to earn a living because of your purchases.

You are invited to attend a Pre-Christmas event 'Taste the World', an on-line event celebrating delicious Traidcraft food and drink on Friday 6th November. Choose from 3:00pm–4:00pm or 7:30–8.30pm. Tasting session, Quiz, Preview of Christmas cards, gifts and goodies.

Tickets cost £5 and include the new Christmas catalogue and a Goodie Bag full of samples to taste during the event. Proceeds will be donated to Traidcraft Exchange.

To attend the event: email me by **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** to order your ticket(s), stating the time you would like to come.

One ticket comes with one Goodie Bag and entitles you to one Zoom window!

Please let me know your home address, as delivery of the Goodie Bag will take place during the week before the event.

NB. It is possible to participate in the event by using a telephone instead of Zoom, or simply by buying a ticket. Interested friends may contact me on **(0115) 925 8394** to find out more.

Please share this invitation with your friends! Looking forward to seeing you.

Best wishes

Christine

### Sarah's Dance Classes

Sarah Elbourne's dance classes are on-line. Sarah can be contacted by email at [sarahelbourne.se@gmail.com](mailto:sarahelbourne.se@gmail.com). She will be very happy to let you have all the details.

## Green Flag Community Award 2020/21

In their Autumn Newsletter, the Friends of Bramcote Ridge let us know that, once again, they have received the Green Flag Community Award for their work in managing and sustaining sections of the Bramcote Ridge between Thoresby Road and the back of Heather Rise. This is the 12<sup>th</sup> year running that they have received this prestigious award, and it is a testament to their hard work. Many thanks from all of us to all of them for the work that they do.

### Thanks from Bestwood and Bulwell Foodbank

Since the beginning of this month we have resumed our collection of non-perishable foods and toiletries at St Michael's and volunteers take these over to Bestwood, usually on a Tuesday. At the same time we take over any cheques that have been received from people keen to help the Foodbank in their work. At the Foodbank we always receive grateful thanks for the help we are providing and, in turn, we want to pass on these thanks to you. Goods and cheques can be left at church either on Sunday morning or between 10.00am and 12.00pm any weekday.

### Thanks from Wendy Willan and Teams4U

*Wendy Willan writes:*

Many thanks to all those who have filled a shoebox with presents destined for children overseas this Christmas. Empty boxes and leaflets are still available in church - it's still not too late to do one - or I can deliver one to you. Just call 07786 401332 or email me: [wendywillan@hotmail.com](mailto:wendywillan@hotmail.com). Please would you return your filled boxes as soon as possible to church and no later than 22 November? Alternatively you can sponsor a box online at <https://teams4u.com/shoebox-appeal/> or by cheque payable to Teams4U for £15 which I can send off - T4U will then create a box on your behalf. Thank you again for your support.

### Contacting us at St Michael's

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