



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, BRAMCOTE

6th May 2021

Church Diary

Thursday 6th May

Christianity and Climate Change, Study 4, held via Zoom, at 2:00pm and 7:30pm.

Sunday 9th May

A Service of Reflection in church at 10:00am. Please let us know if you are coming.

An on-line service of Reflection can be accessed via the church website.

Monday 10th May

Start of Christian Aid Week.

Christianity and Climate Change via zoom, Study 5, held via Zoom, at 6:15pm.

Meeting of the Parochial Church Council, held via Zoom, at 7:30pm.

Tuesday 18th May

May ParishPrayer Meeting, individually or via Zoom, at 7:00pm.

Every Monday to Friday

The church is open each day for personal/private prayer from 10:00am to 12noon.

Every Monday to Friday

The daily reflection on a Bible Passage can be accessed via the church website.

Additions to St Michael's Church Website

As mentioned in the newsletter last week, a visit to our church website provides access to the current weekly Parish Information Leaflet, the current monthly ParishPrayer Guidance Sheet, the current annual Motto Text Card, the Annual Report 2020, the Vicar's APCM Address 2021, Archbishop Justin Welby's Climate Change Video, and the Tearfund Climate Change Course. Of course, there is always access to the most recent On-Line Sunday Service, and the current Daily Reflection.

This week, the following have also been added:

1) All the information needed for anyone who wants to consider applying for the post of **Children, Young People and Family Life Minister** at St Michael's. This includes the advertisement, the detailed job specification, the detailed person specification and the official application form. We hope to have the applications in by 28th May at the latest.

2) The first of a trilogy of **Bramcote Lectures on Spirituality** produced by the Revd Michael Smith. This first paper is entitled. '**The Beyond in Our Midst**'. Printed copies are available upon request.

The St Michael's Church Website is accessed at <https://saintmichaelsbramcote.com>.

Christian Aid Week



Christian Aid Week is May 10th – 16th. Please read the letter from Penny and Graeme Coe sent out with this newsletter. There are all kinds of ways in which you can contribute this year. There are also envelopes in church for your own personal use. Please contact Penny and Graeme for further information on (0115) 925 9630 or 07821 609561 or pennycoe@live.co.uk.

Christianity and Climate Change

Currently our home groups are involved in a new weekly course on 'Christianity and Climate Change'. If you have not yet done so, you are very welcome to join in with one of the homegroups. Alternatively you can access the course directly via our website. On the website there is also a link to a short video produced by the Archbishop of Canterbury, in which The Most Revd Julian Welby emphasises the importance of us all taking action to mitigate the causes of climate change.

If you would like to join in looking at these studies with one of the homegroups, please choose the time that suits you best and then contact one of the following:

Mondays 6:15 – 7:00pm.

David & Janet Ducker via Sarah Elbourne, tel 07740 675453 or email sarahelbourne.se@gmail.com

Thursdays 2:00pm – 3:00pm. Lillian Heptinstall, tel (0115) 916 4588 or email rev.lillian@googlemail.com

Thursdays 7:30 – 8:30pm. Cath Ortori, tel (0115) 922 3354 or email autaury@gmail.com

Planning for a Return to Normality

Last week our Diocesan Bishops led a Zoom session for clergy and churchwardens in which he urged us all to think carefully about how the churches plan to return back to normality following the pandemic. They warned that careful thought will be needed to ensure that the needs of all church members and also the new people who have joined us are all taken into account.

Bishop Paul was also very enthusiastic about the suggestion from St Michael's that we plan a weekend of 'Remembrance, Thanksgiving and Celebration' as we come to the end of the current difficult period.

Alongside the Clergy and Reader Team, the PCC and each of its sub-committees will be carefully considering how we might begin to formulate a 'New Normality' once we have finally been unlocked from the current Covid-19 restrictions. If you have any constructive thoughts or suggestions with regard to this, please put them in writing and send them to the Vicar directly.

Children, Young People and Family Life Minister

Job Opportunity

We are currently seeking to appoint an enthusiastic Children, Young People and Family Life Minister with the vision and ability to establish and build future generations of Christian disciples at St Michael's, leading a team of volunteers and becoming an integral part of the church family.

We are offering a competitive salary and pension. If you are, or know anyone who is, looking for this type of role, please have a look for the job and person specifications and application form on the church website.

Bramcote Lectures on Spirituality

The Revd Michael Smith has written a trilogy of papers on spirituality which he is presenting to us as part of our regular Bramcote Lectures. The first is entitled *The Beyond in our Midst* which can be accessed via the church website or in printed form upon request.

Green Pages

The new edition of Green Pages is available to church members, a copy of which can be purchased in church on Sunday mornings. The cost is £2 (correct money please) which is to cover the actual costs of production.

Bestwood and Bulwell Foodbank

The need for non-perishable foods and toiletries continues, and the people at the Foodbank continue to be very grateful for our gifts and donations. Church is always open for deliveries every weekday from 10:00am to 12noon. Thankyou so much for your continued support of those who find themselves in need at this time.

Contacting us at St Michael's

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