



# ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, BRAMCOTE

## 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022

### The Week at St Michael's

#### Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September

**10:00am for 10:30am.** Special Meeting for all church members to discuss the future of St Michael's, followed by a bring and share lunch.

#### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September. Patronal Festival and celebration of 40 years of ordained ministry by Revd. David Edinborough.

**10:00am.** Morning Prayer. Refreshments and prayer ministry after the service.

**6:30pm.** Holy Communion. Refreshments from 6:00pm and prayer ministry afterwards.

#### Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September

**10:00am.** Celtic Prayer in the Church Centre.

**7:30pm.** Final Concert at Bramcote Methodist Church.

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

**10:00am.** Wednesday Morning Coffee.

**7:30pm.** Choir Practice.

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

**9:45am-11:45am.** Little Angels (toddler group).

**10:00am – 12noon.** Holy Communion.

**1:00pm – 3:00pm.** Silver Surfers Internet Café.

#### Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September

**10:00am – 12noon.** Special prayers in Church for Ukraine followed by private prayer.

**7:30pm – 9:00pm.** Bell ringing practice.

#### Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October

**6:30pm for 7:00pm.** Harvest Supper..

#### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Harvest Festival.

**8:00am.** Holy Communion (BCP).

**10:00am.** Celebration of Harvest.

Refreshments and prayer ministry after the service.

**6:30pm.** Harvest Praise. Refreshments from 6:00pm and prayer ministry afterwards.

#### Every Weekday

**10:00am – 12noon.** Church is open to visitors for private prayer and for receipt of gifts for the Foodbank.

### Special Meeting

#### Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September, 10:00am

This is a very important meeting for all church members with the Archdeacon of Nottingham Phil Williams, and with Mike Duff, a representative of our patron, the Church Pastoral Aid Society. They will be discussing the future shape of ministry here at St Michael's and will base the discussion on the responses to the questionnaire that has been widely distributed. Coffee will be available from 10:00am and the meeting starts at 10:30am.

*The meeting will conclude with a "bring and share" lunch at 12.30pm. Everyone who comes is asked to bring something that can be set out with food brought by others. If you bring food that YOU like, be sure that others will enjoy it too!*

### St Michael's Patronal Festival

#### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 10:00am and 6:30pm

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September is the day we celebrate our Patronal Festival here at St Michael's. It is a double celebration in that this is also the day that the Revd. David Edinborough celebrates 40 years of ordination as a Priest. David will preach at both the morning and the evening service.

### Concert at Bramcote Methodist Church

#### Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 7:30pm

On Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm there will be a concert celebration of Bramcote Methodist Church led by Lyrical Songbirds, a ladies 4-part harmony choir. You are very welcome to join us for this special event during which we will informally share memories of our Church as we anticipate our last service on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

*Ruth Coffey*

### Harvest Thanksgiving Weekend

#### Saturday and Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> October

This is a big weekend for us as we celebrate Harvest Thanksgiving. All details on page 2 of this newsletter.

# Coming up at St Michael's

## Harvest Thanksgiving Weekend Saturday and Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> October

We will be celebrating Harvest Thanksgiving on Saturday and Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> October, starting with a Harvest Supper and Entertainment on the Saturday at 6:30pm for 7:00pm. **Tickets** cost £5 each (£3 for under-12s) and are available **NOW** in church or at Coffee Morning from Lalage Smithurst and/or Tina Newton.

There are 3 services on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October to which everyone is invited. It is at times like harvest when we stop to reflect on how fortunate we are that we have plenty of food and water available. It provides the perfect opportunity to help others.

On this special Sunday we welcome non-perishable gifts at all 3 services. They will be given to the Bestwood & Bulwell Foodbank; suggested gifts include cereals, jams, sugar, tea, coffee, long-life milk and fruit juice, tinned food, washing powder, toiletries, etc.

If you prefer to give a donation of **MONEY** in thanks for our plenty, it has been agreed that monetary donations given in the special envelopes which will be available in church in September, will be given to BREAD (Berega Relief Education and Development) Trust for their **Water** project to improve the water supply for the hospital and villages in Berega in Tanzania. **These envelopes are now available in church** – for you to bring back at the Harvest Thanksgiving weekend or to hand in earlier if you are not around that weekend.

### Special Celebration

#### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, 10:00am

On Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October we will be celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lalage's admission and licensing as a Reader on 9<sup>th</sup> October 1982. Lalage will be preaching at this service.

### Safeguarding Sunday

#### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October, 10:00am

This is Safeguarding Sunday and at 10:00am the speaker will be our own Safeguarding Officer, **Tina Newton**.

### Taizé Service

#### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October, 6:30pm

We are delighted to welcome **Revd. Pippa Scott** who will lead a Taizé service in church at 6:30pm. Pippa has sent us the following :

*I am very much looking forward to joining you all on Sunday 16th October for a Taizé service. The service will draw inspiration from the Taizé community's use of silence and reflection, and aims to create a space for quiet meditation and prayer. During the service we will hear a couple of passages from scripture, spend some time in silent prayer and contemplation, and sing a few of the chants used in the worship of the Taizé community.*

### Final Service - Bramcote Methodist Church

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 3:00pm

You are warmly invited to join us for our final service as we mark our 170<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and also the closure of Bramcote Methodist Church. **Our worship will now be led by Rev. Melanie Stoodley, and Rev. John Hudson will be returning to preach.** We do hope you will be able to join us as we celebrate in a spirit of praise and thanksgiving the life of our Church and the many blessings we have received. **Ruth Coffey**

### Afternoon Tea Concert

#### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 4:00pm – 6:00pm

The classical pianist Jill Crossland will give a piano recital at St Michael's on the afternoon of Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October. Jill will be Bach, Shubert and Chopin. Afternoon tea will also be provided. Jill is an established concert and recording artist and you can see her at: <https://youtube.com/c/jillcrosslandpiano> and at [www.jillcrossland.org](http://www.jillcrossland.org). Jill has recordings with Warner Classics, Signum Classics and on other labels, which have received very good reviews from critics.

Tickets are £10 and £7 (concessions) available directly from church or telephone 0115 943 0137. Also available by email: [concerts@jillcrossland.com](mailto:concerts@jillcrossland.com) or telephone 07366 390999.

See also the poster on page 3 of this newsletter.

### Choral Evensong

#### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 6:30pm

Following the Afternoon Tea Concert, at 6:30pm there will be a service of Choral Evensong in church. Once again, Revd. Richard Hanford will join with us for this special service.

### Bereavement Service

#### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November, 10:00am

Our annual Bereavement Service will be held on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 10.00am. This is an opportunity to remember loved ones who have died and is intended to be a source of comfort and encouragement. Everyone is most welcome.

### Remembrance Sunday

#### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November, 10:45am

This is the Sunday designated for special services for Remembrance Day. Please note the start time is 10:45am and we will be starting promptly at this time.

## Other News and Announcements

**Afternoon Tea Concert**  
**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 4:00pm – 6:00pm**  
(also see page 2)



**Afternoon Piano Recital**  
**Jill Crossland**  
plays *piano*  
**Bach, Schubert, Chopin**



**St Michael and All Angels Parish Church, Bramcote**  
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**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October - 4 pm**





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### Remembering Queen Elizabeth II

As we continue to mourn Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, a new book has been published, *"A Life of Grace"*, in commemoration of our late Queen's long life and deep faith. It is hoped that it will provide a lasting opportunity to remember her from a Christian perspective.

It is a companion book to *"Our Faithful Queen"*, the gift book produced for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, as well as *"The Servant Queen"*, which was published to commemorate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. These are both still available in limited numbers.

Copies of *"A Life of Grace"* cost £3 each. If you wish to purchase a copy, please sign the list at the back of church.

### Access to Bluebell Wood now restored!



Don't be put off by the notices that you see as you approach the large barrier at the top of end of Moss Drive (see picture). Access to Bluebell Woods has now been legally restored and there is an opening for pedestrians on the right-hand side of the barrier. And if you go through you can enjoy beautiful woodland, access to which has been denied by for the last five years or so. Do enter and enjoy what you can see and hear in this beautiful, secluded place that many Bramcote residents, and others, have enjoyed for decades.

### Donations for Church Roof – Final Ask

Many thanks to those who have already contributed to the costs of the repairs to our church roof. We are very grateful indeed. If there are others, please contact one of the below. Thank you. [heptinstallstan@gmail.com](mailto:heptinstallstan@gmail.com), [a.jbateman@btinternet.com](mailto:a.jbateman@btinternet.com).

### Kneelers Available

There are still some kneelers left at the back of church that are looking for a good home. They are available to anyone who would like one. Do take a look. If, in return, you would like to make a donation to church funds, that would be great but this is not obligatory. We are delighted that you will be able to make use of them.

### Bestwood and Bulwell Foodbank

We receive and transfer gifts of non-perishable food items and toiletries to the Bestwood & Bulwell Foodbank. At present, the following are in short supply: **tinned potatoes, spaghetti, tinned fruit, toiletries**. All gifts, including monetary gifts, can be left at church any weekday between **10:00am and 12noon**. All are very gratefully received and go a long way to providing the regular help needed by a growing number of people.

**Please note that we will also be collecting for the foodbank at each of our Harvest services on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, as detailed on page 2 of this newsletter.**

### Contacting us at St Michael's

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The Bramcote Care Group offers practical help to anyone in the parish – phone Elaine on 07850 985349

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