



## Collect for the Second Sunday before Lent

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. Amen.

### A Gospel reading for today, Luke 8. 22-25

Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

#### Come and share our short session for children and young people during our Sunday 10am service EVERY WEEK!

We invite children of all ages, with their adults, to come into the Lady Chapel during part of the service, and share in A Godly Play (a short visual storytelling of scriptures, with wondering questions, stories, crafts, puzzles, and even some acting for those that want ... for all ages to share together; then various age related activities). There will be a display in the Lady Chapel most weeks, if vou'd like to find out more!



and discussion in our Godly Play

You might also like to explore the links on our Children & Young People page. There are lots of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus.

### 8am Holy Communion, in Church **10am Holy Communion, in Church** 12:30pm Holy Baptism

Come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in (or outside) the WCC after the 10am service.

You are welcome to share in our worship in the following ways:

1. Come to Church All are welcome! Remember to bring your order of service for the 10am service.

2. Join Zoom on your computer (not this Sunday) When signed in you can 'Join a Meeting' (ID: 846 662 9590 / Passcode: 834900).

3. Join with Audio Zoom via phone (not this Sunday) a) Call 0131 460 1196 b) Enter Meeting ID then #, then enter Meeting Passcode then #

## A Psalm for today, Psalm 65. 4-13 Refrain: Be joyful in God, all the earth.

With wonders you will answer us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas. In your strength you set fast the mountains and are girded about with might.

You still the raging of the seas,

the roaring of their waves and the clamour of the peoples.

Those who dwell at the ends of the earth tremble at your marvels;

the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise. [R]

You visit the earth and water it; you make it very plenteous.

The river of God is full of water; you prepare grain for your people, for so you provide for the earth.

You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;

you soften the ground with showers and bless its increase.

You crown the year with your goodness, and your paths overflow with plenty.

May the pastures of the wilderness flow with goodness

and the hills be girded with joy.

May the meadows be clothed with flocks of sheep

and the valleys stand so thick with corn that they shall laugh and sing. [R]

May the richness of your creation, Lord,

and the mystery of your providence

lead us to that heavenly city

where all peoples will bring their wealth,

forsake their sins and find their true joy, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



# **Newsletter and Notices**

The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon. An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.

Holy Communion, Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 10am - A service of Holy Communion, in church and via Zoom (ID: 846 662 9590 / Passcode: 834900). You can also dial in by phone; instructions on previous page.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 11 for 11:15am – Worship for babies/toddlers and their parents / carers; with a story, singing and instruments for little ones too! Join us for refreshments, fellowship and a little chance for the children to play before/after the service.

Prayers for our Community in Church, Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February, 9:30am A half hour session of informal prayer. All welcome.

TLC Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March from 2pm, Windhill Churches Centre - An opportunity for anyone who wishes to attend to be able to join in with tea and talk, read the paper, play board games ... and then later in the afternoon we welcome families after school for a short while, to share in reading/play and enjoy a biscuit/cake/fruit snack. Do come along ... and tell your friends too!

Ash Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March will offer Holy Communion with option of imposition of ashes, at 10am and 7:30 pm. There will be hymns and music at both services.

#### Lent Reflections How are you feeling? - Meeting God in our emotion Tuesdays from 8<sup>th</sup> March, 12pm in the Lady Chapel All are warmly invited to join these sessions during Lent. We'll explore feelings and theologically reflect on them in the light of Christ; through a meditative blend of Scripture, prayer, song, music and talks. 8<sup>th</sup> March - Isolation 15<sup>th</sup> March - Anger 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Love 29<sup>th</sup> March - Fear 5<sup>th</sup> April - Hope Each session will be followed by a frugal lunch at 12:30pm in the WCC, in aid of the two charities supported by our Charities Support Group Lent Appeal this year: Portland Child Contact Centre and the Delhi Brotherhood. Flower Festival for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022 - In aid of the St Michael's Church Bell restoration fund. We need your help: \* Flower arrangers \* Arrangement sponsorship

Please contact: Claire (07944 431873 claire.conquest62@gmail.com) or Jenny (01279 833523 jennyklincke@gmail.com) and don't forget to save the date!

Photocopier help needed - St Michael's Bells are undergoing restoration this year with work beginning immediately after Easter. Items in the area below will need to be moved and the office photocopier protected and so will be out of use during the summer. Katharine will still need to print the usual amount of paperwork and so we are wondering if there is anyone who has good photographic facilities either in their own or local business to help. Obviously, the closer to the Church the better as she only has so much time in a day to get things done! If you think you may be able to help please contact me asap. Rosemary Thomson, Churchwarden, 748389 r.thomson019@gmail.com Many thanks.

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Governors needed! Can you help St Michael's Primary School to deliver its Christian vision, by joining our governing body? We must have a majority of church governors but have several upcoming vacancies. Please speak to Katharine in the Parish Office if you'd like to know more. Thank you.

Would you like to receive news and information from St Michael's electronically? May we invite new or newer worshippers to think about completing a Welcome Card, and submitting your email on it if you wish.

Winter church opening - The Church will be locked at 3:30pm Monday -Thursday. Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays may be later to accommodate visitors.

#### **DIGITAL GIVING TO ST MICHAEL'S**

While fewer people carry cash, and our donations in the collection plates and offertory box remain much smaller than before the pandemic, the costs of running our parish remain. Please consider using our digital giving facility to support St Michael's. To give by phone: text STMIC (then a number from 2 to 20, e.g. STMIC7 or STMIC15) to 70085. The most efficient way to give is by Standing Order direct from your bank account: please see the Giving Sunday envelopes from our most recent Stewardship renewal, in the Welcome Area. Thank you for considering your giving to St Michael's.

More details of all services and events are available on the Calendar page on our website. Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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