

## St Michael's Maintenance Appeal Committee

**We are desperate for donations for the tombola and raffle prizes.** so please have a look to see if you have any items for the tombola and raffle prizes. **We cannot do this without your help. The next Tea & Toast on Saturday 2nd November, and the special stall is a Christmas Stall and the Tombola is a Christmas theme.** So if you can please donate any of these items please see Lynne Corker or you can put items in the old flower storage place, on the shelves on the right hand side. **This place is opposite the Church organ.** The committee is seeking you inspiration for new and different stalls, so please let the committee know your ideas.

### Food Bank

The food bank collection place is in the cupboard at the back of church for you to put your donations of food or money in. **The Foodbank warehouse still want food but they are in desperate need of Rotary Tin Openers, Sponge Puddings and Rice Pudding. The food bank would prefer their regular donors to avoid giving beans if possible as they always receive plenty of these from supermarket donations. Please can I ask you to check the dates on your donated goods. This week we donated 8.6kg of goods and £10 in cash**  
**Thanks Joan**

### CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Regarding the Christmas Tree Festival we are still looking for volunteers to help on the days of the Christmas Tree

Festival or volunteer on the door taking the money. There is a spreadsheet in the Meeting Room. If you can help please put your name on the list or see Barbara Nickson or Colin Keam. Also there is a list on the noticeboard in the meeting room for people to put down if they have a Christmas Tree Stand or a trestle table. The Festival will take place from Wednesday 27th November to Saturday 30th November with the climax of the Carols around the Christmas Tree at 5.00pm. **The Grand Christmas Draw tickets will be on sale from Sunday 6th October. See Barbara Nickson for your books of draw tickets.**

### SAMARITANS PURSE

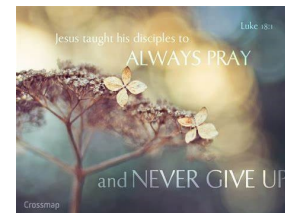
Once again it is time for the Samaritans Purse Shoe Box Appeal. Leaflets are on the table at the back of church and if you cannot fill a box yourself there is a container for gifts and money, which will be used to fill boxes on your behalf. Flat pack boxes are again available at **50p each**. Please **NOTE** this time **NO SWEETS, CHOCOLATE OR TOOTHPASTE** can be included in the contents of the boxes due to new custom rules now in force. Sorry about this. **The shoe boxes need to be back in church before 6th November as they are going from church after the morning service on the 6th November**

**Wendy Sefton**

**A big St Michael's welcome to our visiting vicar today, the Ven Michael Gilbertson**



## Parish Church of St Michael and All Angels Sunday 20th October 2019 18th Sunday after Trinity



### Services Today

**8.30am** Holy Communion  
**Rev Helen Browne**  
**10.00am** Holy Communion  
**The Ven: Michael Gilbertson**  
**Mission Praise**  
**457** Make way, Make way  
2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5  
**496** O for a Thousand tongues  
Luke 18: 1-8  
**770** Will you anchor hold  
**275** *I heard a voice*  
**50** *Be Still*  
**33** And can it be that I should gain  
**6.45pm Bible Study**

### Monday 21st October

**9.00am-10.30am** Little Treasures  
Tots Group.

### Tuesday 22nd October

**10.00am-12.00noon** Crafters

### Wednesday 23rd October

**10.00am** Holy Communion  
**1.00pm** The funeral of Gail Bethell

### Thursday 24th October

**10.30am-12.30pm** Places of Welcome  
**7.30am-9.00am** Bible Study with  
Breakfast in the  
Meeting Room

### Saturday 25th October

**10.00am-12.00noon** Art Club

### Sunday 27th October

**8.30am** Holy Communion  
**10.00am** Holy Communion  
**6.45pm Bible Study**



**Any queries please contact the Churchwardens**

**Colin Keam 01928 576293**

**or**

**Rosemary Lunt 01928 569863**

**or the**

**Church Mobile**

Bookings for baptisms and weddings

**Tel: 07722470940 and speak to Robbie**

**Church website**

**[www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk](http://www.runcornstmichaels.org.uk)**

**Facebook**

**Saint Michael and All Angels Church, Runcorn**

## Collect and Readings

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5**

<sup>14</sup> But you must remain faithful to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you. <sup>15</sup> You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. <sup>17</sup> God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.

I solemnly urge you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who will someday judge the living and the dead when he comes to set up his Kingdom:

<sup>2</sup> Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favourable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching.

<sup>3</sup> For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. <sup>4</sup> They will reject

the truth and chase after myths.

<sup>5</sup> But you should keep a clear mind in every situation. Don't be afraid of suffering for the Lord. Work at telling others the Good News, and fully carry out the ministry God has given you.

### **Luke 18: 1-8**

One day Jesus told his disciples a story to show that they should always pray and never give up. <sup>2</sup> "There was a judge in a certain city," he said, "who neither feared God nor cared about people. <sup>3</sup> A widow of that city came to him repeatedly, saying, 'Give me justice in this dispute with my enemy.' <sup>4</sup> The judge ignored her for a while, but finally he said to himself, 'I don't fear God or care about people, <sup>5</sup> but this woman is driving me crazy. I'm going to see that she gets justice, because she is wearing me out with her constant requests!'"

<sup>6</sup> Then the Lord said, "Learn a lesson from this unjust judge. <sup>7</sup> Even he rendered a just decision in the end. So don't you think God will surely give justice to his chosen people who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? <sup>8</sup> I tell you, he will grant justice to them quickly! But when the Son of Man returns, how many will he find on the earth who have faith?"

### **Post Communion**

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign with all your saints for ever.

## The active ME

Walking for Health Halton

See the walks schedule Oct-Dec 2019

On the noticeboard by the hatch in the Meeting Room.

### Wanted your old spectacles

The Halton Haven shop in the High Street, near Boots the chemist, will welcome your old spectacles.

**David Walker**

## Kidney Care UK

Many thanks to you all who support our collection of used postage stamps. We have just sent off 1000 stamps including over 30 foreign countries. In addition to Commonwealth and European countries we had stamps from Chile, Costa Republic, Dubai, Israel, Montenegro, Nigeria, Pakistan, South Africa, The Gandia, Trinidad and Tobago, Taiwan, USA, and the Yemen. Runcorn communicates with the world! Please see the poster on the noticeboard in the Meeting Room for more tips on stamp donations.

Thank you for your continued support

**David Walker**

