

Collect Contemporary

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power
and come among us,
and with great might succour us;
that whereas, through our sins and
wickedness
we are grievously hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
your bountiful grace and mercy
may speedily help and deliver us;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honour and glory, now and for ever
Amen

Collect Traditional

O Lord, raise up we pray thee thy power
and come among us,
and with great might succour us;
that whereas, through our sins and
wickedness
we are sore let and hindered
in running the race that is set before us,
thy bountiful grace and mercy
may speedily help and deliver us;
through the satisfaction of thy Son our
Lord,
to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit
be honour and glory, now and for ever.
Amen

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 11.1-10

¹A shoot shall come out from the stock of
Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.
²The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge

and the fear of the LORD.
³His delight shall be in the fear of the
LORD.
He shall not judge by what his eyes
see,
or decide by what his ears hear;
⁴but with righteousness he shall judge
the poor,
and decide with equity for the
meek of the earth;
he shall strike the earth
with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips
he shall kill the wicked.
⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around
his waist,
and faithfulness the belt around his
loins.
⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb,
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,
the calf and the lion and the fatling
together,
and a little child shall lead them.
⁷The cow and the bear shall graze,
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.
⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole
of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand
on the adder's den.
⁹They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain;
for the earth will be full of the knowledge
of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.
¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall
stand as a signal to the peoples; the
nations shall inquire of him, and his
dwelling shall be glorious.

Gospel Reading Matthew 3.1-12

¹In those days John the Baptist appeared
in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming,
²'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has
come near.'
³This is the one of whom the
prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,
'The voice of one crying out in the
wilderness:
"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight."
⁴Now John wore clothing of camel's hair
with a leather belt around his waist, and
his food was locusts and wild honey.
⁵Then the people of Jerusalem and all
Judea were going out to him, and all the
region along the Jordan, ⁶and they were
baptized by him in the river Jordan,
confessing their sins.
⁷But when he saw
many Pharisees and Sadducees coming
for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood
of vipers! Who warned you to flee from
the wrath to come? ⁸Bear fruit worthy of
repentance. ⁹Do not presume to say to
yourselves, "We have Abraham as our
ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from
these stones to raise up children to
Abraham. ¹⁰Even now the axe is lying at
the root of the trees; every tree therefore
that does not bear good fruit is cut down
and thrown into the fire. ¹¹I baptize you
with water for repentance, but one who is
more powerful than I is coming after me;
I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He
will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and
fire. ¹²His winnowing-fork is in his hand,
and he will clear his threshing-floor and
will gather his wheat into the granary;
but the chaff he will burn with
unquenchable fire.'

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

To have someone prayed for or remembered please contact the Benefice Office.

A new list will start the first Sunday each month.

ST MICHAEL and ST MARY

Baptism

Rosa Mitchell-Jones, Noah Mitchell

Marriage

Gregory Allen & Faye Whelan

Those who are ill and their carers:

Bonnie Blue, Dorothy Clayton, Joe Edwards, Margaret Fellows, Dorothy Grant, Bill and Dot Hill, Robert McAllester-Jones, Grant Miles, Marielouise Oliver, Arthur Palin, Nick Rutter, Ken Sharman, Baby Rose Stephenson, Prebendary John Taylor, Renee Wellings, Rena White

Those who have died:

Betty James, Jean Eastwood, John Mills

ST JOHN

Baptism

Heath Ashmore

Marriage

Those who are ill and their carers:

Connie Carvill, Pat Ellet, Nancy Hood, Ann Kinson, Allan Law, Ray Hoskins, Linda Rubisch, Val Redman

Post Communion – Contemporary

Father in heaven,
who sent your Son to redeem the world
and will send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him
in the humility and purity of his first
coming
that, when he comes again,
we may be ready to greet him
with joyful love and firm faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Post Communion – Traditional

Heavenly Father,
who didst send thy Son to redeem the
world
and wilt send him again to be our judge:
give us grace so to imitate him
in the humility and purity of his first
coming
that when he shall come again,
we may be found ready to greet him
with joyful love and steadfast faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The United Benefice of St Michael
on Greenhill and St Mary,
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with St John, Wall

Sunday 4th December
2016

SERVICE DETAILS
2nd Sunday of Advent



ST MICHAEL

8.00 am Holy Communion

President: Revd. Ruth Bull

10.00 am Holy Communion

President: Revd. Linda Collins

Deacon: Peter Salt

Preacher: Revd. Ruth Bull

Hymns:

Processional	46
Gradual	319
Offertory	38
Communion	437
Recessional	35

Intercessions

Come to us, Lord:

we know our need of you.

12:30pm Baptism

Minister: Revd. Denise Youngs

ST JOHN

10.00 am Baptism

President: Revd. Denise Youngs

Hymns

Processional	296
Gradual	490
Offertory	277
Recessional	153