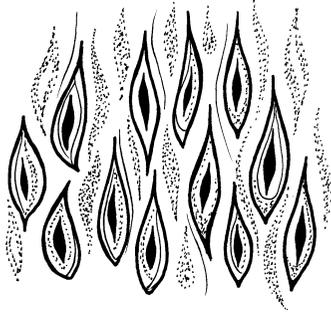


The United Benefice of St Michael
on Greenhill and St Mary, Lichfield
with St John, Wall

Sunday 14th August 2016
SERVICE DETAILS
12th Sunday after Trinity



ST MICHAEL

8.00 am **Holy Communion**
President: The Venerable Simon Baker

10.00 am **Family Praise**
Minister: Revd. Linda Collins
Deacon: Peter Salt

6:00pm **Holy Communion**
President: Revd. Ruth Bull

Hymns Processional 239
 Gradual 258
 Offertory 232
 Recessional 631

ST JOHN
10.00 am **Baptism**
President: Revd. Ruth Bull

Collect Contemporary

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear
than we to pray
and to give more than either we desire
or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of
your mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our
conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of 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.

Collect Traditional

Almighty and everlasting God,
who art always more ready to hear
than we to pray,
and art wont to give more than either
we desire or deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of
thy mercy,
forgiving us those things whereof our
conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things
which we are not worthy to ask,
but through the merits and mediation
of Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 11.29-12.2

²⁹By faith the people of Israel passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned.
³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days.
³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.
³²And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets – ³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented – ³⁸of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

³⁹Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Gospel Reading **Luke 12.49-56**

Jesus said to his disciples: ⁴⁹I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵²From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-

in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

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**

Marriage

Shaun Thompson & Laura Granger

Those who are ill and their carers:

The Jackson Family
Christopher Browne, Clifford Browne, David Easton, Jean Eastwood, Joe Edwards, Margaret Fellows, Dorothy Grant, Pam Hedgecox, Bill and Dot Hill, Doris Hughes, Rebecca Jackson, Grant Miles, Prebendary John Taylor, Renee Wellings

Those who have died:

Harriet Jackson, Lillian Yates, Isla Hufton

ST JOHN

Baptism

Thomas Watton, Georgina Briggs

Marriage

Those who are ill and their carers:

Connie Carvill, Pat Ellet, Nancy Hood, Ann Kinson, Allan Law

Those who have died:

Nancy Robbins

Post Communion – Contemporary

God of all mercy,
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in Christ
may bring that healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Post Communion – Traditional

Merciful God,
who in this holy sacrament hast put away our sins
and given us thy healing;
grant that as we are made whole in Christ,
so we may bring thy healing to this broken world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen