

## PARISH DIARY

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

8:00am Holy Communion St Michael's  
 10:00am Holy Communion St Michael's  
 10:00am Holy Communion St John's  
 12:30pm Baptism: Hayden Lloyd St Michael's  
 6:00pm IONA Service Methodist Church

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February

8:15am Morning Prayer St. Michael's  
 1pm Film Club St Michael's  
 6:30pm Parish Surgery St Michael's  
 7:30pm Music Group St Michael's

### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February

8:15am Morning Prayer St. Michael's  
 9:00am School Service St Michael's  
 10:15am Extended Communion Beechfields  
 3:00pm SACRED Book Group St Michael's  
 8:00pm Baptism Preparation St Michael's

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February

8:15am Morning Prayer St. Michael's  
 9:30am Holy Communion St Michael's  
 5:15pm Beavers' Visit St Michael's  
 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal St Michael's

### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February

All Day Office Closed St Michael's  
 8:15am Morning Prayer St. Michael's  
 10:00am Knitting Group St John's  
 7:30pm Bell Ringing St Michael's

### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February

8:15am Morning Prayer St. Michael's

### Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February

10:00am Churchyard Working Party St Michael's

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February

8:00am Holy Communion St Michael's  
 10:00am Family Praise St Michael's  
 10:00am Holy Communion St John's  
 11:00pm Wedding Preparation St Michael's  
 Meeting  
 6:00pm Holy Communion St Michael's

## SAVE THE DATES

<b>Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Tuesday Club-Trevor James on the Duke of Wellington
<b>Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb</b>	Walking Group Chasewater
<b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Ash Wednesday
<b>Tues 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Tuesday Club – Tim Cockin, author
<b>Sat 16<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Walking Group Mill Farm Nature Reserve
<b>Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	MU Lent Lunch
<b>Sun 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Mothering Sunday
<b><u>THURSDAY</u> 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	Tuesday Club – Phillip Modiano on John Louis Petit

## CHURCHES TOGETHER

**FAIRTRADE EVENT** 'Stories From Afar' - Fairtrade tasting evening with cheese, wine and social justice stories from around the world on **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 p.m.** in St. Chad's Church Hall, Giffords Croft, Lichfield, WS13 7HH. Tickets £5 available from the Oxfam Bookshop in Lichfield.

### **CHURCHES TOGETHER ECUMENICAL LENT GROUPS 2019**

The subject this year is 'The Bible Rediscovered' five different ways of reading the Bible. The groups will begin after Ash Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March. If you would like further information please see the notice on the board at the back of church or ask Brenda Liptrot ( 01543 251863). You need to sign up for the course by Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February.

## VOLUNTEERING AND CHARITIES

**WELCOMERS NEEDED** please, on a rota when Ministers are booking baptisms and weddings on Monday evening, twice a month, 6.30 – 8.30pm. See Linda, Phil or Mel for details.

**LICHFIELD FOOD BANK.** Thank you for your continuing support for Lichfield Foodbank. The latest needs are **Rice Pudding, Tinned Fruit and Fruit Juice.**

# CHURCH NOTICES

February 3rd 2019

## Candlemas

**A WARM WELCOME** to any visitors here today. Please stop for a chat after the service.

### AIDS TO WORSHIP

~Large print orders of service & hymn books

~Hearing Loops at St Michael - Please set your hearing aid to 'T' to listen.

~Gluten-free wafers are available.

## SERVICES

**DOG BLESSING SERVICE** at St Michael's **Sat Feb 16th 12noon.** In partnership with Hall Green Greyhound Rescue. All dogs and well-behaved owners welcome! Refreshments served.  
*Linda*

**LINDA'S LAST SERVICE @ St JOHN** will be at 10.00am on **Sunday 17th March 2019.** Do please do your best to come and say thank you and goodbye to Linda.

**LINDA'S LAST SERVICE** As you all know Revd Linda Collins will retire at the end of March. Linda's last Service will be at 10.00am on **Sunday 24th March 2019.** The service will be followed by a bring and share lunch in church. Do please save the date and do your best to be with us as we say thank you and goodbye to Linda.

## ELECTORAL ROLL

**ST MICHAEL'S ELECTORAL ROLL** A new church electoral roll has to be prepared this year and will come into effect before the APCM. An application form and explanatory letter is available at the back of church for all people on the existing electoral roll. Please take yours and **return it to Mike Godfrey by Sunday 3rd March** at the latest. Forms are also available for any members of the Church who are not currently on the electoral roll. Please ask for one. Many thanks *Mike Godfrey*

**ST JOHN'S ELECTORAL ROLL** A new church electoral roll has to be prepared this year and will come into effect before the APCM on 31<sup>st</sup> March. If you are a regular worshipper at St John's please complete an application form, available at the back of church, and return your form by **March 10<sup>th</sup>.** Many thanks *Linda Rubisch*

## EVENTS

**FILM CLUB** will be on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February.** Refreshment £2.50 from 1pm and 1.30pm, film

**MOTHERS' UNION** extend an invitation to all to join them at their meeting on **Monday 11th February** in church, when the MU Archdeaconry leader, Helen Palfrey will talk about a visit to Matlosane. The Diocese of Matlosane is linked to Lichfield Diocese. It is in South Africa, about 2-3 hours travelling time from Johannesburg. Bishop Michael led

a team last February and Mothers' Union was invited to be part of that team, to meet with Mothers' Union members there, to see the work being done and to strengthen friendship links. There were visits to many churches and time shared with wonderful people working hard doing God's work. This will be a fascinating talk with slides so do join us if you can. Refreshments available. All welcome. *Elizabeth Allen*

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCHYARD** The next **Churchyard Working Party** session will be held on **Saturday February 9th., from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.** We will be clearing brambles and other weeds from gravestones and headstones, including the poet Philip Larkin's family graves; pruning ivy; cutting holly growing at the base of some trees; and planting bulb plants in the Tower Bed. Do join us if you can. **Tea/Coffee/Cake** will be provided during our Mid-morning Break. *Ray Allen. 251654*

## OTHER

**DR MILLEY'S VACANCY** Studio apartment, completely modernised, will shortly be available for a single woman at Dr Milley's own kitchen & bathroom. No age restriction. For further details please contact the Administrator on 07580971928 or drmilley@hotmail.com