

Contemporary Collect

God of compassion,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of
Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth,
and on the cross drew the whole
human family to himself:
strengthen us in our daily living
that in joy and in sorrow
we may know the power of your
presence
to bind together and to heal;
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.

Amen

Traditional Collect

Merciful God,
whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of
Mary,
shared the life of a home in Nazareth
and on the cross drew the whole
human family to himself:
strengthen us in our daily lives
that in joy and sorrow
we may know the power of thy
presence
to bind together and to heal;
through 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

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 1.20-end

²⁰So it came to pass in the process of time that Hannah conceived and bore a son, and called his name Samuel, saying, "Because I have asked for him from the Lord."

²¹Now the man Elkanah and all his house went up to offer to the Lord the yearly sacrifice and his vow. ²²But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, "Not until the child is weaned; then I take him, that he may appear before the Lord and remain there forever."²³So Elkanah her husband said to her, "Do what seems best to you; wait until you have weaned him. Only let the Lord establish His word." Then the woman stayed and nursed her son until she had weaned him.²⁴Now when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bulls, one ephah of flour, and a skin of wine, and brought him to the house of the Lord in Shiloh. And the child was young. ²⁵Then they slaughtered a bull, and brought the child to Eli. ²⁶And she said, "O my lord! As your soul lives, my lord, I am the woman who stood by you here, praying to the Lord. ²⁷For this child I prayed, and the Lord has granted me my petition which I asked of Him. ²⁸Therefore I also have lent him to the Lord; as long as he lives he shall be lent to the Lord." So they worshiped the Lord there.

Gospel Reading

Luke 2.33-35

³³The child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about Jesus. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'



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

Those newly in need of prayer

Mary Bailey, Sadie Hannon, Baby Thea Hussain, Alison Knight, Hazel Ruffle, Gloria Spencer, Alison Cox-Toplis, Brian Vaughan, John Wragg

Those in continuing special need of prayer:

Jamie, Dorothy Clayton, Margaret Fellows, Mary Hathersmith, Bill and Dot Hill, Rosemary Hunt, Mary Jones, Queenie Jones, Arthur Palin, Nick Rutter, David Shiel, Renee Wellings

Those who have died

Ken Richmond, Pam Morris, John Barlow, Dr Victoria Dumbill

ST JOHN

Those who are ill and their carers:

Nancy Hood, Ann Kinson, Allan Law, Tammy Leighton,

Post Communion Contemporary

Loving God,
as a mother feeds her children at the breast
you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life:
help us who have tasted your goodness
to grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen

Post Communion Traditional

God of love,
who in this sacrament dost feed us with the food and drink of eternal life,
even as a mother feedeth her children at the breast:
mercifully grant that we who have tasted thy goodness
may grow in grace within the household of faith;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

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

SERVICE DETAILS

**11th March – 4th Sunday of Lent
MOTHERING SUNDAY**

ST MICHAEL

8.00 am Holy Communion
President: Rev. Linda Collins

10:00am Family Praise
President: Rev. Linda Collins
Deacon: Phil Clayton

6:00 pm Holy Communion
President: The Venerable Simon Baker

Hymns	Processional	2
	Gradual	587
	Offertory	455
	Recessional	610

Intercessions:
We are all your children:
Help us grow in love.

ST JOHN

10:00am Holy Communion
President: Rev. Jeyan Anketell
Preacher: Rev Stephen Barton

Hymns	Processional	13
	Gradual	67
	Offertory	467
	Recessional	188