

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 12th September Trinity 15

8:00am	BCP Holy Communion	St Michael's
10am	Holy Communion	St Michael's
10am	Morning Worship	St John's
4.30pm	Messy Church	St Michael's

Monday 13th September

10:00am	Wedding Meeting	St Michael's
2:00pm	Pastoral Visiting Team Meeting	St Michael's
7:00pm	Deanery Synod Meeting	St James, Brownhills

Tuesday 14th September

11:30am	Funeral – Graham Stevens	St Michael's
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Wednesday 15th September

6:30pm	Choir Rehearsal	St Michael's
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Thursday 16th September

OFFICE CLOSED

9.00am	Cleaners in church	St Michael's
10:00am	Knitting Group	St John's
10:30am	Darwin Court Service	ZOOM
6:30pm	Wedding Rehearsal: Rob Wilson & Danielle Walker	St Michael's
7:00pm	Bellringing	St Michael's

Friday 17th September

12:30pm	Wedding: Rob Wilson & Danielle Walker	St Michael's
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Saturday 18th September

8am –	Sponsored Organ Recital	St John's
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Sunday 19th September Trinity 16

8:00am	BCP Holy Communion	St Michael's
10am	Holy Communion & Junior Praise	St Michael's
10am	Holy Communion	St John's
12:30pm	Baptism: Jacob Robbins	St Michael's

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SEPT 26th – Patronal @ St Michael's with Bishop Michael

SEPT 26TH – Petit Board Blessing by Bishop Michael

SEPT 26th – Guided Tour of St Michael's

SEPT 27th – Angels in Art Talk Dr J Allen

SEPT 28th – History Talk Dr T James

SEPT 29th – 19th Century Clergy & Their Parish Talk Revd Prof C Baker

SEPT 30th – Angel of Mons - Major T Green

OCT 1st – Angels in Scripture Talk Revd Dr S Barton

OCT 2nd Angel trail

OCT 2nd Macmillan Coffee Morning

OCT 2nd – Churchyard Tour

OCT 3rd Harvest

NOV 9th Tuesday Club - **The Korean War**, speaker Ted Green

THE ANGELS KEEP THEIR ANCIENT PLACES

Programme. The full programme is on the web site - there are a couple of events that have only just been finalised

- the blessing of the Petit display board in the churchyard and an exhibition of pictures by Alan Thompson - so do take a look.

Publicity Cards. For the celebration between our Patronal and Harvest a number of publicity cards have been prepared and are being handed out Sunday by Sunday. Today's highlights the Church tours and Evening talks. Do take your cards home and keep them handy for reference. In addition, there are spare copies at the back of church. Please do take some and distribute them as appropriate to friends, family and neighbours – we really do want to get as many folk into the church as we can, to show that we are open for business once again.

Holy Communion on Wednesday 29th September at 11.00.

On Michaelmas itself, we will be holding a said service of Holy Communion at 11.00, led by Rev. Linda Collins. While all are of course welcome, we would like to make a special effort to bring to church those who normally can't get to church regularly because of mobility issues. The service will be socially distanced, and we hope to serve refreshments afterwards. A letter has been sent out to a number of such members of our fellowship inviting them to the service and asking them to make contact if they wish to have lifts organised for them. If there are particular people you think should be invited, could you let Chris Baker know on c.j.baker@bham.ac.uk to check that they have been included.

CHURCH NOTICES

12th September

Trinity 15

GRAHAM STEVENS, whose funeral is at **11.30 on September 14th**, was a regular member of the 8.00 congregation with long lasting family links to St. Michael's. His family would like to invite any members of the congregation to attend the funeral in church, or indeed the committal at Fradley Crematorium afterward.

SPONSORED ORGAN PLAYING @ ST JOHN'S Paul Wright would really appreciate your support on **Saturday 18th September between 8am and 8pm** when he will be playing the organ for 12 hours (with a few comfort breaks!). Please come along and listen to him play. Refreshments available and knitted items also on sale. All proceeds to St John, Wall.

ECOFEST: Saturday 18th September, 10-00 am to 12-00 noon, at the Methodist Church, Lichfield. Climate change affects us all. Let's find solutions together. More details at <https://www.stmichaelmaryjohn.org.uk/notices-from-other-churches.html>

CLIMATE CHANGE WALK Join the climate change pilgrimage for a day, **22 September**, Streetly to Lichfield, 8 miles. See Christine Polhill for more details.

FESTIVAL FLOWERS *Patronal Festival - Friday September 24th from 10am*
Harvest Festival - Friday October 1st from 10am We will be decorating St Michael's church on the above dates and would welcome all who would like to help on either or both of these mornings. I would be very grateful if you could call or txt to let me know if you are available. Many thanks, Anne Lingwood 07702 043605

AN EXHIBITION OF 28 PAINTINGS BY THE LATE ALAN THOMPSON will be held in the Fellowship Corner in Church from **Sunday September 26th. until Sunday October 3rd.** Anyone is welcome to have a painting free of charge. In return for this we would ask for a voluntary donation which would go to St. Michael's Church Choir Funds. Alan had been a member of the choir for many years and we feel this would be a fitting tribute in appreciation of the work he did. If you would like to reserve a painting you will be asked to contact us to make the necessary arrangements for collection and donation payment. None of the paintings will be removed until the end of the exhibition on **Sunday October 3rd.** Lesley and Ray Allen. 01543 251654

THE FOODBANK NEEDS
tinned meat, tinned soup, jam
Must be **3 months, or more, in date.**

WOODEN BOWL SET Shirley Trelfa is a volunteer at Samuel Johnson Hospital, and she has been given a wooden fruit set by the Porter who made it to help raise

funds for our church. It will be on display during the 10am service at St Michael's Church. If you are interested, please place your donation in an envelope, stating 'Fruit Set' and place it on the collection plate at the back of church or hand it to Sue or Lyn.

CALLING ALL CAKE-BAKERS!

Our Michaelmas to Harvest celebrations include several occasions where it would be good to offer cake to participants – particularly after the Patronal Service on 26th September and at the Angel Trail event on October 2nd, when Chris would particularly like slices of "Angel Cake" to give to those taking part.

Also, on 2nd October, we are holding our annual cake sale in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support and donations of cakes, large or small, would be very welcome.

If you can offer to bake for any of these, please contact Chris Baker (c.j.baker@bham.ac.uk) for the Patronal Service and Angel Trail refreshments, or Ruth Bull (dkbrlcb@hotmail.com) for the Macmillan cake sale, for more details.

FOOD AND DRINK IN CHURCH

We have a pest control contract outside and inside St Michael's Church. If you consume any food and drink inside church, please ensure that it is cleared away. There are two vacuum cleaners available – one in the right-hand cupboard in the prayer corner and a second in the first cupboard leading into the vestry, plus dustpan and brushes in the kitchen area. *Sue and Lyn*