

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

**Sunday 19th February
SERVICE DETAILS
2nd Sunday before Lent**

ST MICHAEL

8.00 am Holy Communion

President: Revd. Ruth Bull

10.00 am Holy Communion

President: The Venerable Simon Baker

Deacon: Alan Toplis

Hymns

Processional	238
Gradual	725
Offertory	533
Communion	443
Recessional	713

Intercessions

Lord or creation:

Let your kingdom come!

4.30 pm Messy Church

Leaders: Revd. Linda Collins

Revd. Denise Youngs

ST MARYS

11.00 am Smith Service

Minister: Trevor James

ST JOHN

10.00 am Morning Worship

President: Lesley Allen

Hymns

Processional	442
Gradual	220
Offertory	90
Recessional	293

Collect Contemporary

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

Amen

Collect Traditional

Almighty God,
who hast created the heavens and the earth
and hast made us in thine own image:
teach us to discern thy hand in all thy works
and thy likeness in all thy children;
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

New Testament Reading

Romans 8.18-25

¹⁸I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; ²⁰for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, ²¹in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²²We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; ²³and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 6.25 – end

Jesus taught his disciples, saying: ²⁵Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁸And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you— you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not worry, saying, “What will we eat?” or “What will we drink?” or “What will we wear?” ³²For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

³⁴So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.’



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

Those who are ill and their carers:

Bonnie Blue, Dorothy Clayton, Rebecca Daly, Margaret Fellows, Dorothy Grant, Bill and Dot Hill, James Knight, Grant Miles, Marielouise Oliver, Arthur Palin, Nick Rutter, Ken Sharman, Prebendary John Taylor, Renee Wellings, Rena White

Those who have died:

Mary Meakin, Barbara Dellar, Doris Irene Howles

ST JOHN

Baptism

Marriage

Those who are ill and their carers:

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

Post Communion – Contemporary

God our creator,
by your gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of your Church:
may we who have been nourished at your table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Post Communion – Traditional

O God our creator,
by whose gift
the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise,
and the bread of life at the heart of thy Church:
may we who have been nourished at thy table on earth
be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross
and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen