CHURCH NOTICES
March 19th 2017
3rd Sunday of Lent

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.

SAFETY IN CHURCH We respectfully ask that parents supervise their children when they are near any naked flames. *St Michael's PCC*

NO PARKING at the bottom of St Michael's Church drive **at all times**, including Sunday Services. Many thanks.

PIANO free to a good home but you must be able to make your own arrangements for collection! Contact Sue on 415242 or see me in church.

SERVICES

MARCH 26TH VISIT BY BISHOP MICHAEL Bishop Michael will be preaching at **St John's at the 10am** service for Mothering Sunday.

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL EASTER HC SERVICE in Church Tuesday April 4th 9.30am. All are welcome to come and represent the church family.

CONFIRMATION will take place at the Cathedral at 6pm on June 18th. If you'd like to think about being Confirmed please contact Linda before Easter Sunday (April 16th).

APCM Meetings

ST MICHAEL'S APCM will be held on **Tuesday 25th April,** 7.30pm at St Michael's Church. Can all members of the congregation please make every effort to attend this meeting. PCC Members – there will be a meeting prior to the APCM at 7pm to approve the audited accounts. *Sue and Lyn*

ST JOHN'S APCM will be held on **Sunday 30th April,** straight after the 10am service at St John's Church. Can everyone who is registered on the Church's Electoral Roll please make every effort to attend the service and the meeting afterwards. There will also be a short PCC meeting after the APCM. *Angie and John*

EVENTS, GROUPS AND CLUBS

MOTHERS' UNION The next meeting of the Mothers' Union is on **March 27th** at 7.45 in St Michael's Hall. This will be a Lent Meditation. All are welcome to attend.

ST MICHAEL & ST JOHN'S LENT COURSE - 2017
We will be examining themes arising from the Bishop of Lichfield's Lent Book.
Dethroning Mammon: Making Money Serve Grace.
Copies of the book have been ordered and will be available in church soon.
The books are free but any donations to cover costs would be welcome.
The dates of the course have been changed from those previously published:
Monday 20 March 7.30 in St Michael's
Saturday 25 March - Lent outing - The Geffrye Museum, London
Monday 3 April 7.30 in St Michael's

FILM CLUB April 3rd in the Hall. 1.30pm start, lunch from 1.00pm £2.50. 'I, Daniel Blake' drama, cert 15. Ken Loach directs this challenging drama about a 59-year-old carpenter navigating the benefits system.

FIRST STEPS will be held in the **Church Hall** in **April** because of the building work that is going on in Church at the moment.

VOLUNTEERING AND CHARITIES

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY (St. Michael's group) A reminder that March is the month for the annual collection of our home boxes. I will be at the 8:00 am services and Sonia at the 10:00 am. I can arrange to collect your box from home if you wish. With thanks, Maureen Duff (262037)

INSPIRE Volunteers need for **22-26 May, 5-9 June, 12-16 June** at Lichfield Cathedral to help with talking to children, leading workshops, helping with refreshments, preparing resources, sharing your faith. Contact Sue Blackmore on 07891 611760 or email her on sue.blackmore@lichfield.anglican.org

ST MICHAEL'S TRANSPORT ROTA More volunteers are required for the transport rota on Sunday mornings. If you feel that you can help in any way, please contact *Ron Lewis on 317448*

FOOD BANK specific requests at present are for tinned tuna, tinned fruit, fruit juice and 500g sugar. Please give generously.

A BIG THANK YOU to all those people who gave clothes or money donations, or helped with the Symi collection. The van came on Monday afternoon and will be leaving for Greece next week. *Linda H*

ITEMS NEEDED BY PATHWAY PLEASE. Donations of clothes for older children (8-14), presents for older children, curtains and pots and pans would be gratefully received by Pathway for their families. Please contact Caroline Green tel 262342 for collection or any further information.

OTHER NOTICES

ST MARY'S KNEELERS have been taken to St Michael's to be used in the side aisles. If anyone wishes to take one that they have some personal connection with then they are more than welcome to. *Simon.*

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT. Ron Lewis and Trevor James have negotiated for **An Audience with Katherine Swynford, followed by Afternoon Tea** at Tutbury Castle on Saturday 25 March, 2.00-4.30. This event will generate a substantial donation to Macmillan Cancer Support. If you would like to know more, please ask Ron or Trevor.
WALL VILLAGE HALL SKITTLES EVENING will be held on **Saturday 25th March**, 7pm. Tickets are £7 including Fish and Chip Supper. BYO Drinks. Ring Aleen on 481096 to reserve your tickets.

CHURCHES TOGETHER

http://www.churchestogetherinlichfield.co.uk/calendar/

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 19th March
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8:00am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
10:00am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
10:00am	Morning Worship	St. John's
4:30pm	Messy Church	Church Hall

Monday 20th March

11:30am	Extended Communion	Darwin Court
6:30pm	Parish Surgery	St. Mary's
7:30pm	Lent Workshop	St. Michael's

Tuesday 21st March

9:00am	School Service	St. Michael's
2:30pm	Cake & Cameras Visit	Cathedral
7:30pm	St. Michael's PCC	St. Michael's

Wednesday 22nd March

9:30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
6.30pm	Choir Rehearsal	St Michael's

Thursday 23rd March

10:00am	Knitting Group	St. John's
2:00pm	MU Lady Day Service	St Chad's
7:30pmr	Bell Ringers	St Michael's

Friday 24th March

	MU Posy Making	St. Michael's

Saturday 25th March

	Lent Trip to London	
7:30pm	Skittles Night	Wall Village Hall

Sunday 26th March

8:00am	Holy Communion	St. Michael’s
10:00am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
10:00am	Holy Communion with +Michael	St. John’s
6:00pm	Evensong	St. Michael's

SAVE THE DATES

Sat 6th May – History Wardrobe, Agatha Christie & Art Deco