

### Collect Contemporary

Almighty Father,  
you have given your only Son to die  
for our sins  
and to rise again for our justification:  
grant us so to put away the leaven of  
malice and wickedness  
that we may always serve you  
in pureness of living and truth;  
through the merits of your Son Jesus  
Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

### Collect Traditional

Almighty Father,  
who hast given thine only Son to die  
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grant us so to put away the leaven of  
malice and wickedness  
that we may alway serve thee  
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through the merits of 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

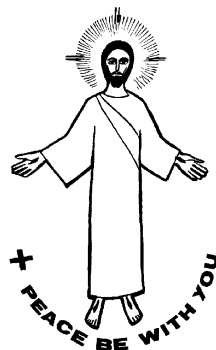
#### Acts 5.27-32

<sup>27</sup> When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, <sup>28</sup> saying, 'We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us.' <sup>29</sup> But Peter and the apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup> The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup> God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, so that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. <sup>32</sup> And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.'

### Gospel Reading

#### John 20-19-end

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'  
<sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.  
<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'



As the Father has sent me, so I send you.' <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.' <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!' <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.'  
<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

## 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

#### ***Those newly in need of prayer***

Lottie Allen, James Knight, Mark Berry,  
Dottie Collins, Sam Bassett

#### ***Those in continuing special need of prayer:***

Jamie, Jenny, Dorothy Clayton, Alison  
Cox-Toplis, Margaret Fellows, Sadie  
Hannon, Robert Harris, Bill and Dot  
Hill, Arthur Palin, Nick Rutter, Peter  
Salt, John Tipper, Sheila Vaughan,  
Renee Wellings

#### ***Those who have died***

#### ***Years Mind***

Brian Vaughan

### ST JOHN

#### ***Those who are ill and their carers:***

Jo Hearn, Nancy Hood, Ann Kinson,  
Allan Law

#### ***Those who have died***

Ro Halling,

### Post Communion Contemporary

Lord God our Father,  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ  
you have assured your children of  
eternal life  
and in baptism have made us one with  
him:  
deliver us from the death of sin  
and raise us to new life in your love,  
in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Amen**

### Post Communion Traditional

Lord God our Father,  
who through our Saviour Jesus Christ  
hast assured us of eternal life  
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**Amen**

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

## SERVICE DETAILS

28<sup>th</sup> April

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

### ST MICHAEL

**8:00am**      **Holy Communion**  
**President:**    The Venerable Simon Baker

**10:00am**    **Holy Communion & APCM**  
**President**     Revd. Chris Baker  
**Deacon:**     Alan Toplis  
**Preacher:**    The Venerable Simon Baker

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| <b>Hymns</b> | Processional | 209 |
|              | Gradual      | 193 |
|              | Offertory    | 197 |
|              | Communion    | 215 |
|              | Recessional  | 728 |

#### **Intercessions**

Open our eyes:

**To see things your way, Lord.**

**6:00pm**      **Evensong**  
**Minister:**    Lesley Allen

**Hymns**        507  
                    451  
                    221

### ST JOHN

**10:00am**    **Holy Communion**  
**President:**    Revd. Jeyan Anketell  
**Preacher:**    Trevor James

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| <b>Hymns</b> | Processional | 324 |
|              | Gradual      | 14  |
|              | Offertory    | 24  |
|              | Recessional  | 335 |