

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 9th December

8:00am	Holy Communion	St Michael's
10:00am	Family Praise Toy Service/ Follow the Star	St Michael's
10:00am	Holy Communion	St John's
6:00pm	Holy Communion	St Michael's

Monday 10th December

8:15am	Morning Prayer	St. Michael's
10:00am	First Steps	St Michael's
7:15pm	MU	St Michael's

Tuesday 11th December

8:15am	Morning Prayer	St. Michael's
9:00am	School Service	St Michael's
2:30pm	Tuesday Club	St Michael's

Wednesday 12th December

8:15am	Morning Prayer	St. Michael's
9:30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
6:30pm	Choir Rehearsal	St Michael's

Thursday 13th December

All Day	Office Closed	St Michael's
8:15am	Morning Prayer	St. Michael's
10:00am	Knitting Group	St. John's
10:30am	Abacus Nursery Visit	St Michael's
7:30pm	Bell Ringing	St Michael's

Friday 14th December

8:15am	Morning Prayer	St. Michael's
9:00am	Magazine Distribution	St Michael's

Saturday 15th December

Sunday 16th December

8:00am	Holy Communion	St Michael's
10:00am	Holy Communion	St Michael's
10:00am	Holy Communion	St John's
4:00pm	Christingle	St John's
4:30pm	Messy Church	St Michael's

EVENTS, GROUPS & CLUBS

JUNIOR CHOIR. We are starting a new Junior Choir that will practise from 6.30 – 7.15 pm on **Wednesdays**. As several of its members will have elder siblings/parents, who will not finish choir practice until 8 pm, I am planning to start an activities group for them from **7.15 – 8 pm** and **I WILL NEED A SECOND ADULT TO ASSIST ME.** You will not need a DBS unless you help out on a regular basis. Please contact me at church, on 262342 or ctgreen@ntlworld.com if you may be able to help. *Ted Green*

MOTHERS' UNION The next meeting of the Mothers' Union is on **December 10th** at 7.15 in the Church. This will be the Christmas Party.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TUESDAY CLUB will be on Tuesday 11 December in St Michael's Church when Jonathan Oates will speak on **18th Century Lichfield's Famous Four – Johnson, Garrick, Darwin and Seward.** 2.30 pm in St Michael's Church. Coffee, tea and biscuits will be available. Everyone welcome.

CHURCHES TOGETHER

CTIL Christian Aid Peace Vigil Speakers' Corner **Dec 15th**, 11 - 12 noon. See poster at back for details.

VOLUNTEERING AND CHARITIES

LIFT TO CHURCH Peter and Elizabeth Salt need a lift to the 10am Sunday Service, as Peter cannot drive after his accident. They live at 7 Redlock Field, Lichfield WS140AB. If anyone can help please let me know on 251863 or speak directly to Peter and Elizabeth. Many thanks *Brenda*.

WELCOMERS NEEDED please, on a rota when Ministers are booking baptisms and weddings on Monday evening, twice a month, 6.30 – 8.30pm. See Linda, Phil or Mel for details.

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS FLOWERS We will be decorating the church on **Saturday December 22nd from 9am** and would welcome all who would like to help. If you wish to make a donation in memory of a loved one, please put the money, the name of the person and your message into a blue gift aid envelope and mark it Christmas flowers. **All donations should be received by Sunday December 16th.** Many thanks, *Anne Lingwood*

LICHFIELD FOOD BANK. Thank you for your continuing support for Lichfield Foodbank. The latest needs are **Jars of Pasta Sauce, Tins of Fruit, Tins of Custard, 500g Sugar**



CHURCH NOTICES

December
9th 2018
**2nd Sunday
of Advent**

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.

#FollowTheStar: We are providing booklets from this year's Church of England's National Christmas campaign #FollowTheStar to members of the congregation at several of St Michael's Christmas services and are seeking sponsorship to help cover the costs. The booklets are a great resource for all ages which take us on a reflective, spiritual journey through the 12 days of Christmas. If you would like to contribute please contact Mel or Linda.

STREETHAY CAROLS

SPARE ARTIFICIAL CHRISTMAS TREE? Anyone got an artificial tree over 6feet we could use for **Streethay Carols on Dec 22nd** please? Contact Mel or Linda!

CHRISTMAS CARD DISTRIBUTION STREETHAY. We are planning to follow up on our Welcome to the occupants of the new development in Streethay by holding outdoor Carol Singing there on Saturday 22 December. The invitation is included in our United Benefice Christmas Card and we would be grateful for **help in distribution there on Sunday 9th to Saturday 15th of December.** If you can help in any way please contact Ted Green on 262342, ctgreen@ntlworld.com or after the Family Praise Toy Service at St Michael's on 9 December. You can also contact Mel Clark or Alan Toplis if it's more convenient.

ST JOHN WALL

WALL VILLAGE CAROLS will be held in the Village Hall on **Tuesday 18th December at 7.30pm.** Mulled wine, mince pies and the Christmas Cake Raffle! Everyone welcome - INVITE A FRIEND.

WALL CHRISTINGLE is on **Sunday 16th December a 4pm** with Rev Ruth Bull. Spread the word to all your friends and family and bring along as many children as you can.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES @ ST MICHAEL'S

Monday 10th December

10:00am First Steps @ Christmas

Thursday 13th December

10.30am Abacus Nursery Christmas Service

Sunday 16th December

4.30pm Messy Church @ Christmas

Monday 17th December

11:30am Extended Communion and Carols at Darwin Court

Tuesday 18th December

10.30am Queen's Croft School Carol Service

Saturday 22nd December

5:00pm Streethay Christmas Carols
Thompson Way, Roman Heights, Streethay.

Sunday 23rd December

4.00pm Family Lessons and Carol Service

Christmas Eve Monday 24th Dec

4.00pm Christingle Service
6.00pm Christingle Service
11.15pm Midnight Holy Communion

Christmas Day 25th December

8.00am BCP Holy Communion
10.00am Christmas Family Carols and Communion