



# ST MICHAEL'S BRAINTREE



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**31st March 2024 - Easter Day**



General Information	
Vicar	Rev Nigel Adams Email: <a href="mailto:revnigeladams@gmail.com">revnigeladams@gmail.com</a> <i>(Nigel's day of rest will be on Saturday this week)</i>
Churchwardens	Lin Terris Ade Odupitan
Honorary Curate	Rev Stephen Bailey
Children's and Youth Worker (part-time)	Rachel Grove Smith
Bookkeeper/Administrator	Angel Joseph-Aung
Pastoral Assistant	Jo Adams
Treasurer	Vacancy
Contact Margaret Kinniburgh to add items to the Notice Sheet (by noon <b>Thursday</b> ) email: <a href="mailto:notices@stmichaelsbtree.co.uk">notices@stmichaelsbtree.co.uk</a> .	

## Keeping in touch

The church office is normally staffed Mon-Wed, 9am-2pm – the church office phone number is 01376 321248.

St. Michael's Church website is on the following link - <http://stmichaelsbtree.co.uk/website/> (If this does not work, you might need to clear your browsing history/web cache from your browser. In most browsers this can be done using Ctrl+Shift+Del.) On this page you can see our Magazine, Notice sheets, Annual reports and other details and will be able to access our Sunday online services.  
Our Facebook page is: [www.facebook.com/stmichaelschurchbraintree/](http://www.facebook.com/stmichaelschurchbraintree/)

If you are new to St Michael's, welcome! If you would like someone to contact you, please leave your details in the collection box by the door.

Name(s) .....

Address .....

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## Easter services at St Michael's

### Friday 29th March – Good Friday

9.30am – United Service at Elim Church, Manor Street,  
followed by a Walk of Witness to George Yard  
3.00pm – An Hour by the Cross

### Sunday 31st March – Easter Day

8.00am – Holy Communion  
10.00am – Easter Family Praise  
6.30pm – Holy Communion

***Everyone is most welcome to join us***

## Church Services

All our services are in the church building and a video recording of the 10am services are later uploaded to our YouTube Channel "St. Michael's - Worship on the Web."

### **Sunday, 31st March - Easter Day**

- 8.00am Holy Communion - '*Marvelling at the tomb*' - Luke 24: 1-12  
- Rev Nigel Adams
- 10.00am Easter Family Praise - '*Marvelling at the tomb*' - Luke 24: 1-12  
- Rev Nigel Adams
- 6.30pm Holy Communion - '*Jesus appears to his disciples*' - Luke 24: 36-49  
- Rev Nigel Adams

### **Sunday, 7th April**

- 10.00am Church Family Worship - '*James: hating our enemies*' - Luke 9: 51-56; Acts 12: 1-2 - Rachel Grove Smith
- 4.00pm Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) - '*Hope in God*' - Psalm 42 - Rev James Wells
- 6.30pm Evening Worship - '*Hope in God*' - Psalm 42 - Rev James Wells

There is a Creche available (for those under the age of 3) in the Main Hall in Church House where there are lots of toys! Creche will start at the same time as Junior Church (usually after the second song), so please bring your creche aged children into church for 10am. Please speak to Rachel Grove Smith if you have any questions.

**SMASH holiday club** is happening during the Easter holidays Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am - 12.30pm and it is suitable for children of primary school age. As usual there will be lots of fun including Bible stories, games, craft and much more. If you have any questions then please do speak to Rachel or email her at [rgrovesmith@stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk](mailto:rgrovesmith@stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk).

**Coffee@St Michael's** will take place on Thursday, 4th April in St Michael's church, from 10am – 12noon. Everyone is very welcome.

Conor Stafford's Baptism is now going to be at a later date, so please note that there will **not** now be a lunch after Church Family Worship on Sun 7<sup>th</sup> April.

**Hope Explored** is a 3 week course, from the Christianity Explored team. It asks the question, "*What's the best future you could ever imagine?*" and looks at where we seek our Hope, Peace and Purpose in life. We will be running it on three Wednesdays, starting on 17<sup>th</sup> April from 7.30pm at the Vicarage. Please speak to Nigel or Jo Adams if you have any questions or would like to join us.

## **For your prayers:**

**Unwell:** [Rev Stephen Bailey](#), [Roger Cooke](#), [Theresa Lamkin](#), Frank Stafford, David Goodwill, Norma Huxter, Terry Clark, Robin Sewell, Sandra Savill, Linda (Lexi Allen's mother), Elaine Stoodley, Gill Bass, Michael Latta, Rev Canon Alistair McHaffie (former curate), Pamhi Shonhiwa, Kirsty Huxter, Angela Hibbert-Foy, Alan (Edward Toussaint's brother), Linda (Gloria Boar's daughter), Alan Bass, Dennis Buston, Katherine Cridland

**Bereaved:** Please pray for Anne Harvey following the death of David.

**Housebound:** Anne Harvey

**Mission of the Month: Church Pastoral Aid Society (CPAS):** are patrons for our church. This means they assist us here in the appointment of clergy. They also support the evangelism and mission of churches producing training, and resources. At this time of year, they are busy organising and encouraging young people from the age of 8 to 18 to join one of the 60 holidays that are arranged (Ventures and Falcon) during the summer months. Please pray for the recruitment and training of leaders for these house parties and encourage our young to join one such holiday, where they will learn more about Jesus and have lots of fun and activities arranged.

We are delighted to **welcome Revd James Wells** who is a curate part-way through his curate training. The Diocese are offering him the opportunity to serve in a further context to continue to support his learning and have invited Revd Nigel Adams to be his new Training Incumbent. The official transfer of licence is currently in process, but as this will take some time, permission has been granted for James to start at St Michael's Church on a placement in the parish with immediate effect.

Our next **Men's Breakfast** will be on Sat 20<sup>th</sup> April, 8.30am at The Mulberry Tree, Braintree Bypass, CM77 8GG. We look forward to **Andy Malcolm** (of the Fishermen's Mission) who will be sharing something of God's work in his life under the title, "A journey from the city to the coast". Unlimited cooked breakfast (£10.99) or unlimited continental breakfast (£8.99). Do please consider inviting guests. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church, if you plan to join us.

**Volunteers are needed at St Michael's School** to hear readers, or if you prefer Maths, to help with checking Math's Passports. Please see Jennifer Bailey or Richard Hollis if you are able to help.

Our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting** will be on Tues 21<sup>st</sup> May, 7.30pm. In order to vote at the annual meeting you need to be on the Electoral Roll. Please speak to Nigel Adams if you wish to know how to join.