



ST MICHAEL'S BRAINTREE



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28th April 2024 - Fifth Sunday in Easter

General Information

Vicar	Rev Nigel Adams Email: revnigeladams@gmail.com (Nigel's day of rest will be on Saturday this week)
Curate	Rev James Wells (James's day of rest will be on Saturday this week) Email: jwells@stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk
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 Thursday) email: notices@stmichaelsbtreetree.co.uk .	

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://stmichaelsbtreetree.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/

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

Telephone

Email

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, 28th April

10.00am Junior Church (3-14s) & Creche (under 3s)

10.00am Morning Worship - 'A priceless pair' - Philippians 2: 19-30
- Rev James Wells

6.30pm Churches Together United Service - focus on Hope House 'seeking to break the cycle of homelessness' - Ephesians 2: 1-10 - Tony Britten

Sunday, 5th May

10.00am Church Family Worship - 'Philip: Learning to trust' - John 6: 1-13
- Jennifer Bailey

4.00pm Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) - 'God's steadfast love'
- Psalm 103 - Cyril Bamforth

6.30pm Evening Worship - 'God's steadfast love' - Psalm 103 - Cyril Bamforth

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.

10.00am Morning Worship

Welcome & notices

Opening Prayer

Song: Be bold, be strong

Birthday slot

Prayer before the children & young people leave

Song: Guide me O thou great Jehovah (MP 201)

Confession and prayer for forgiveness

Song: You're the word of God the Father (MP 1141)

Prayers: Laura Smith

Song: Eternal Father, Gracious King

Bible reading: Philippians 2: 19-30 (p. 1180) - Helen Kemp

Talk: 'A priceless pair'
- Rev James Wells

Song: I will offer up my life (MP 990)

Closing prayer

6.30pm Churches Together United Service

Welcome & notices

Song: Give thanks to the Lord (MP 1046)

Confession and prayer for forgiveness

Update on the work of Hope House - Tony Britten

Song: The Servant King (MP 162)

Prayers including the Lord's Prayer - Jennifer Bailey

Song: With a prayer (MP 1129)

Bible reading: Ephesians 2: 1-10 (p.1175) - Rachel Grove Smith

Talk: 'Being a simple servant'
- Tony Britten

Song: I want to serve the purpose of God (MP 859)

Closing prayer

Retiring offering for Hope House

For your prayers:

Unwell: Kirsten Terris, Elaine Stoodley, Rev Stephen Bailey, Brenda Brown, Roger Cooke, Frank Stafford, David Goodwill, Norma Huxter, Terry Clark, Robin Sewell, Sandra Savill, Linda (Lexi Allen's mother), 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: David Cridland & family (particularly his mother) following the recent death of David's father. Please pray for Anne Harvey following the death of David.

Housebound: Anne Harvey

Mission of the Month: A Rocha: was founded in Portugal in 1983 by Peter and Miranda Harris. St Michael's have been supporters for many years and now more than ever it is important that we continue this support as a church and individually. As Christians it's vital we support their work in caring for God's amazing creation. We are excited to have gained our Bronze Eco Church Award. Please take a look at two excellent websites:

Arocha.org.uk for information on UK work and items for prayer and encouragement. Arocha.org to read about the work around the globe where A Rocha are involved.

Women@St Michael's Conference Day: will be held on Saturday, 11th May 10.00am - 3.00pm in Church House. The Theme will be *Joy for Life* and our speaker will be Michelle Sweeting from Holy Cross Felsted. The cost is £8 which includes lunch, refreshments and all materials. There are forms to complete on the table on the crossing or you can apply online using the QR code on the form. Please return forms or let Jennifer know by Sunday, 5th May if you wish to attend.

Bereavement service: we will be having a service to remember and give thanks for the lives of loved ones that we have lost on **Sun 19th May, 3pm** followed by refreshments in the Welcome Area in church. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of church, or let Nigel & Jo Adams know, by Sun 12th May, if you (or guests) plan to join us. Anyone would be most welcome to attend.

Coffee@St Michael's will take place on Thursday, 2nd May in St Michael's church, from 10am – 12noon. Everyone is very welcome.

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. The course started on **Wed 24th April, at 7.30pm** at the Vicarage, and will run for three Wednesdays. Please speak to Nigel or Jo Adams if you have any questions or would like to join us.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting: will be on Tuesday 21st May from 7.30pm in church. If you are not on our Electoral Roll (which allows you to vote at the Annual Meeting) you can join by completing a form. We will have elections for Churchwardens and up to eight Parochial Church Council members - nomination forms are at the back of the church and should be returned to Jennifer Bailey by Sunday 12th May. Please contact Rev Nigel Adams if you have any questions.