

WELCOME TO ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Together in God, growing in faith and love, reaching out to all

6th January – EPIPHANY

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
Diocese of Manchester

CHURCH FOR A DIFFERENT WORLD



SERVICES TODAY

8am Said Eucharist
9.30am Sung Eucharist
5.30pm Family Service
followed by Holy Communion

SERVICES 6th January to 13th January

Monday – Friday Morning Prayer at 9.15am
Wednesday: 10am Eucharist
Sunday BAPTISM OF CHRIST 8am Eucharist;
9.30am Parade Eucharist
5.30pm Family Service followed by Holy Communion

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

UNWELL: those with dementia, cancer, illness or disability of any kind, who suffer in body, mind or spirit in any way, visibly or invisibly - at home, hospital, nursing home or hospice – for the power of God's healing hand, the gentleness and patience of those who care, the love of family and friends.

H&M DEANERY, DMPC AND OUR PCCs: please pray for our parish Mission Action Plans, area dean Sister Frances, Archdeacon Cherry and all clergy / DMPC members in our deanery as we work together on the Deanery Mission Action Plan.

*Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child:
guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

NOTICES: INFORMATION: NEWS:

PCC MEETING: Wednesday 16th January at 7.15pm in the Old Vic.

ALKRINGTON & MIDDLETON AUTISM GROUP: You are invited to attend our introductory meeting on **Saturday 26th January** in the Old Vic; 1pm to 3pm. This will be an informal session at which parents and carers can share experiences as well as meet with each other. For additional info contact Lucy Blunn at lucyblunn@hotmail.co.uk or facebook; *Alkrington and Middleton Autism Group*.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE: Sunday 27th January at 5.30pm with St Michael's Band. Join us to celebrate Jesus, the Light of the World, as we support the Children's Society Charity. Please pick up a candle/envelope and add your name to the list for your Christingle, or see the Wardens. Those connected with St. Michael's SCHOOL will automatically receive a candle and be allocated a Christingle.

APCM REPORT: If you are connected with any group/organization for St Michael's and normally submit a report for inclusion in the annual report, please ensure this is forwarded to the PCC Secretary, James Watson, no later than **31st January**.

MENS GROUP: Friday 1st February, 7.30pm in the Old Vic, celebrating 47 years of John Robinson's work at St Michael's. Please, we require someone to take on the organization of this Group for 2019 and beyond, all nominations will be discussed at this meeting.

MOTHERS UNION: We extend our best wishes for the New Year to all. There will not be a meeting in January. The next meeting will be our AGM on Wednesday 6th February at 2pm. Our programme for 2019 will be shared at this meeting. MU subscriptions for 2019 will be £23 and are now due please, these can be paid to the Treasurer, Annette Heys or to Yvonne Jennings.

SOUND DESK OPERATOR: We urgently require a volunteer for the sound desk at the 9.30am service. The duty, suitable for any adult male or female, would be for ONE WEEK only in every FOUR. Full Training will be given, please contact Graham Barr 643 4055.

READERS LIST: Readers/lectors during January/February 2019 have been or will be approached by Peter, in good time, and given copies of their readings. The readers list for March will be similarly notified during the second half of February.

USED STAMPS: We will donate them to charity – please place in the box in the welcome area – ask a welcomer!

ST MICHAEL'S PRAYER CHAIN: Do you need someone to pray for you? It takes one phone call to May Towler, 643 2579, to activate the prayer chain. All we need is the name OR purpose we are to pray for, our Heavenly Father knows all the other details.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY: Those who have collection boxes are requested to bring them into Church or make arrangements to hand them to either Ann Mackenzie or Yvonne Jennings please, as soon as possible.

FOODBANK: This has been a wonderful year in the manner you have supported the hungry. If you are able a continued gift of a food item would be much appreciated and ensure that we are reaching out to others in our community who are less fortunate than ourselves.

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MAGAZINE; entries to Rev'd Jackie by **Thursday 10th** for inclusion in February magazine please.

PEW SHEET: Entries for next week: to Peter Duce, pd21up@aol.com by **Thursday** evening please.

WEBSITE: <http://www.stmichaelsmiddleton.co.uk> AND www.allsaintsrhodes.org.uk

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GRADUAL HYMN: To Be In Your Presence

1.

To be in Your presence
To sit at Your feet,
Where Your love surrounds me,
And makes me complete.

CHORUS

This is my desire, O Lord,
This is my desire.
This is my desire, O Lord,
This is my desire.

2.

To rest in Your presence,
Not rushing away;
To cherish each moment,
Here I would stay.
Chorus x 2

MORNING PRAYER READINGS FOR W/C 7th January;

Mon. Psalm 99; Isaiah 63: 7-end; 1 John 3.

Wed. Psalm 148; Isaiah 65: 1-16; 1 John 5: 1-12.

Fri. Psalm 150; Isaiah 66: 1-11; 2 John.

Tues. Psalm 46; Isaiah 64: 1 John 4: 7-end.

Thurs. Psalm 149; Isaiah 65: 17-end; 1 John 5: 13-end.

Sat. Psalm 96; Isaiah 66: 12-23; 3 John.