

CORONAVIRUS

*Middleton In Action Together
Reaching Out To You All*

Call: 07568 765379

For help or to volunteer

Email: stmichaelsc18@gmail.com

Coordinated by Neil, the voluntary
Team / Community leaders in each Middleton area
will match requests for help with volunteers.

Call or message if you:

- Need The Foodbank because of financial challenge
- Need food or shopping because you are self-isolating
- Need information on how to get your prescription
- Need to talk with someone
- Need prayers for you or a loved one
- Will donate food and basic provisions
- Will volunteer to help with any of the above



**Together we can reach the whole of
Middleton including:
Alkington, Boarshaw, Birch, Bowlee,
Cheapside, Hollins, Langley, Mills Hill,
Parkfield, Rhodes, Slattocks, Tonge.**

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Alkington,
St. Michael

THE CHURCH
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Diocese of Manchester

CHURCH
FOR A
DIFFERENT
WORLD

22nd Mar 2020
Mothering
Sunday

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

‘MIDDLETON IN ACTION TOGETHER’

In response to the challenges, practically and financially, many will be facing because of the Coronavirus, this new group, that includes leaders and volunteers throughout Middleton, aims to reach out to all those in need throughout our various communities. We have come together because none of us can do this alone. It is a great opportunity.

Together we can respond pastorally and practically in many ways.

Neil will be the main co-ordinator for the whole of Middleton, directly in touch with the various leaders in each community for them to mobilise help where it is needed in their own location.

We will offer NHS, Government, W.H.O., C. of E. guidance where there are questions or confusion; we will also publicise helpful information on the Facebook page.

Volunteers will be safer recruited. Hygiene and social distancing protocols will be used to keep you safe.

You can find more details on Facebook ‘Middleton In Action Together’ or contact Neil on **07568 765379**.

Please stay safe and don't hesitate to ask for help, we might not be open for business in the usual way but we are still here for you in every single way. Observing new rules and regulations as and when they occur.

More details can be found on the back page.

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SUNDAY 22nd March - Lent 4 *Mothering Sunday*

Readings. 1 Samuel 1: 20-end 2 Corinthians 1 3-7; John 19: 25b-27

All services for public worship cancelled until further notice
Today on Facebook live with Rev'd Jackie - the Eucharist at 9.30am

THE WEEK AHEAD... 23rd March until further notice

Morning Prayer will continue to be said in church by Rev'd Jackie Monday to Friday at 9.15am

We also aim to have one recorded service each Sunday - times to be advertised but likely to alternate between 9.30am in St Michael's and 11am in All Saints or we may simply keep one time for each Sunday.

For your PRAYERS...

Unwell: those with Covid-19, dementia, cancer, illness of any kind, who suffer in body, mind or spirit in any way, visible or invisible - at home, work, hospital, nursing home or hospice - for the power of God's healing hand, the gentleness & patience of those who care, the love of family & friends.

Those self-isolating: for love and safe care from good neighbours

Frontline staff: that they remain safe and protected

Our School Children and Parents: for patience and a new sense of compassion and care for neighbours in need.

RIP: Darrell Blakeley (88), Valerie Leonard, (77), and all who will die this day with Covid-19. May they rest in peace.

Book of Remembrance: We thank God for all we have become because of those who have loved us and who we continue to love; Elizabeth Morgan, Daisy Farrington, Marjorie Fairhurst, Coral Morgan, Charlie Lamb, Doris Ireland, Brian Hobson, Steven Slater, Edith Ridings, Norman Higham.

THE COLLECT (SPECIAL PRAYER) for today: Mothering Sunday.

*God of love, passionate and strong, tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us all the days of our life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Morning Prayer Readings - Please check website each week for updates

Pastoral Care Directory Details:

Please don't assume we have all your details.

For pastoral purposes to keep in touch with you, offering you any support you might need, please email your contact details to Rev'd Jackie as soon as you can: jackie.2026309@gmail.com

Full name:

Home Number:

Mobile Number:

Address:

Email Address:

Please also add a next of kin if you are able to

Please also indicate if you use any social media such as Facebook or Twitter

Alternatively, if you do not use internet, please text as many details as you can from above, to Rev'd Jackie by text: 07824 445596.

All your details will be safely secured and not shared beyond the ministry team or pastoral care team without your permission.

Keeping you close in our thoughts and prayers.

CORONAVIRUS - WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

1. Phone each other as often as practical. Try and keep a sense of hope.
2. Get in touch with Rev'd Jackie if you have concerns about anyone.
3. Donate to the Foodbank. Contact Neil for drop off times and places
4. Donate non-perishable food to 'Middleton in Action Together' who are making up parcels for those who are self-isolating
5. Volunteer to make up and/or drop of parcels or even shop.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY....

With deep regret all public services and activities in March, April and May are cancelled until further notice. Our church will not be open at any time until further notice, even for private prayer.

I will continue to pray for the whole community and when services can be live streamed or recorded these times will be published on the website and social media. God bless you and please stay safe.

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