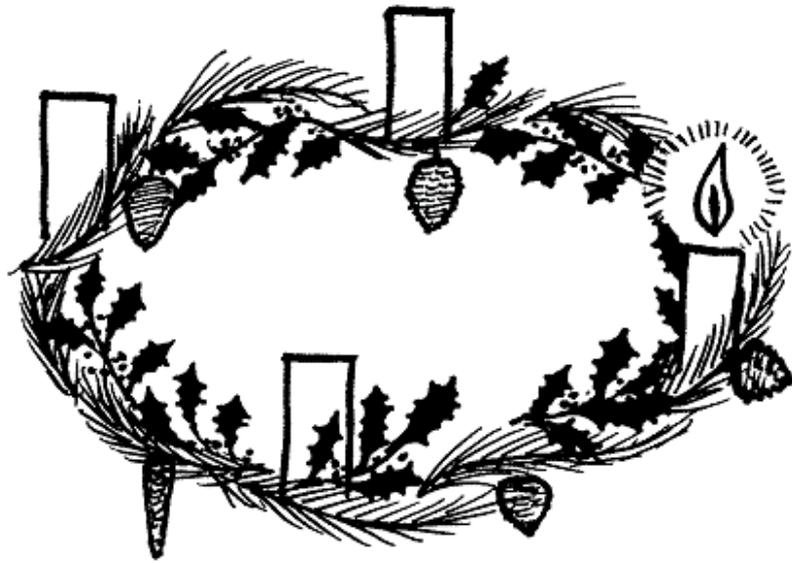


A very warm Welcome to St Michael's Church

Sunday 29th November



Advent Sunday

Happy New Year! Yes, today is Advent Sunday the beginning of the Churches New Year. We begin this holy season by hearing *God's* word challenge us to wake up, to stand ready and to prepare. As we gather in the Lord's presence, let us take his word and his challenge into our hearts.

Advent is a time of waiting and watching for the second coming of the Lord Jesus. The Holy Spirit is our constant help that we may always be on guard and remain awake so that we are prepared for the last day.

Opening Sentence

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

Greeting and Entrance

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
And with your spirit

Call to Confession

My brothers and sisters,
to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries,
let us first call to mind our sin.

Penitential Rite

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of
God's Kingdom **Lord have mercy**

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness.
Christ have mercy

You will come in glory with salvation for your people.
Lord have mercy

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring
us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God,
the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ
with righteous deeds at his coming,
so that, gathered at his right hand,
they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (63:16-17,64:1,3-8)

You, Lord, yourself are our Father,
'Our Redeemer' is your ancient name.
Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways
and harden our hearts against fearing you?
Return, for the sake of your servants,
the tribes of your inheritance.
Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down!
– at your Presence the mountains would melt.
No ear has heard,
no eye has seen
any god but you act like this
for those who trust him.
You guide those who act with integrity
and keep your ways in mind.
You were angry when we were sinners;
we had long been rebels against you.
We were all like men unclean,
all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing.
We have all withered like leaves
and our sins blew us away like the wind.
No one invoked your name
or roused himself to catch hold of you.
For you hid your face from us
and gave us up to the power of our sins.
And yet, Lord, you are our Father;
we the clay, you the potter,
we are all the work of your hand.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm 79(80):2-3,15-16,18-19

R Lord of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hear us,
shine forth from your cherubim throne.
O Lord, rouse up your might,
O Lord, come to our help. **R**

God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **R**

May your hand be on the man you have chosen,
the man you have given your strength.
And we shall never forsake you again;
give us life that we may call upon your name. **R**

Second Reading

A reading from St Paul's first letter to the Corinthians (1:3-9)

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace
and peace.

I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received
through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in
so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the
witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you
will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting
for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you
steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord
Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his
Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.

Alleluia, alleluia!



Gospel

The Lord be with you,
And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark (13:33-37)

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake,
because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man

travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!

This is the Gospel of Christ. **Praise to Christ our Lord.**

Sermon

Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessions

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Peace

May the God of peace make you completely holy,
ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.

Offertory Prayers

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness
we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human
hands have made; it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness
we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human
hands; it will become for us our spiritual drink.

Blessed be God for ever.

Let us pray my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be
acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Prayer over the Gifts

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make,
gathered from among your gifts to us,
and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below
gain for us the prize of eternal redemption.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Lord be with you,
and with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts,
we lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just

Preface

Father, all-powerful and ever-living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

When he humbled himself to come among us as a man,
he fulfilled the plan you formed long ago
and opened for us the way to salvation.

Now we watch for the day,
hoping that the salvation promised us will be ours
when Christ our Lord will come again in his glory.
And so, with all the choirs of angels in heaven
we proclaim your glory
and join in our unending hymn of praise:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

Who in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying.
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying.
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of all,
rejoicing at his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate the memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.
Send the holy spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Holy Mary mother of God,
St Michael and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Communion

Our Father

Let us pray with confidence to the Father
in the words our Saviour gave us:

**Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, the power,
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the bread

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one Body,
because we all share in one Bread.**

Lamb of God

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
grant us peace.**

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the World.
Happy are those who are called to His supper.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Communion Antiphon

Be on your guard, stay awake,
because you never know when the time will come.

If watching the Mass online, we would encourage you to join in with the liturgy. At the point at which the clergy who are present receive Holy Communion you may wish to make an act of spiritual communion by using one of the following prayers:

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

Or

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life and the one true vine. I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. I seek you. I worship and adore you. Since I cannot receive you in the Eucharistic bread and wine, I pray that you will come into my heart and soul, that I may be united to you, by your all-powerful and ever-present Holy Spirit. Let me receive you, and be nourished by you. Become for me the manna in my wilderness, the bread of angels for my very human journey through time, a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, and solace in the hour of my death. I pray all this, trusting that you yourself are our Life, our Peace, and our everlasting Joy. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Father,
may our communion
teach us to love heaven.
May its promise and hope
guide our way to earth.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

**Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord be with you,
and also with you.

Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing.....

You believe that the Son of God once came to us;
you look for him to come again.
May his coming bring you the light of his holiness
and free you with his blessing. **Amen.**

May God make you steadfast in faith,
joyful in hope, and untiring in love
all the days of your life. **Amen.**

You rejoice that our Redeemer came to live with us as man. When
he comes again in glory,
may he reward you with endless life. **Amen.**

May Almighty God bless you,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

The Angelus

The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit

Hail, Mary, full of grace
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners, now,
And at the hour of our death.**
Behold the handmaid of the Lord
Be it unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary.....
Holy Mary.....

And the Word was made flesh.
And dwelt among us
Hail Mary.....
Holy Mary.....

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts;
That as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by
the message of an angel, so by his Cross and Passion we may be
brought to the glory of his Resurrection; Through Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen**

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Advent
A Season of Hope
& Expectation

Advent Sunday at St Michael's Church – Advent begins on the 29th November. As we begin a New Year in the life of the Church where in union with the Church throughout the world we begin the season of joyful hope as we wait for the Lord to be revealed in all his glory.



In response to the parish Survey the Clergy will be offering a series of devotions for use at home as we prepare for Christmas.

Making an offering to the Church via your bank: -

St Michael Wood Green Business Premium Account
Sort code 20-98-21 Account number 00790869

Using as reference: Gift and you name, if you wish.

You can also make a donation via **Pingit** using a Debit or Credit Card.

You do not need a Pingit

account or the App to do this. Pingit makes no charge to the church for these donations:

<https://www.pingit.me/giving/theparishofwoodgreen>

Bounds Green food bank – wish list: -

Urgently needed food items include tinned fruit, tea bags, dried pasta, uht milk and breakfast cereals. Thank you to all who have given so far, it is much appreciated. We are pleased to accept any donations and pass them on to the food bank.

Thank you for the support it really is appreciated especially as we are feeding over 250 families each week.

We pray for all who are ill, that God may grant them health and peace:

Milan, Baby Naira, Ansell, Mildred, Kathleen, Trevor Thompson, Eric, Eileen Potter, Kate, Seelah, Maureen Clements, Simon Payen, Shirley Angus, Augustus Olufunwa, Chris Zinzan, Doreen Lelliot, Bob Wood, Krystyna Hammil, Cicely Blalock, Androulla & Fannos Hadjiordani, Christopher Gibbons, Jazzmine Grimes, Emmanuel Kuye, Alexandra F Assis, Joshua Rattray, Elijah Blake, Jeffrey Blake, Victorine Clarke, Amy Harris, Thomas Hewitt, Geri Thompson, Mary Thompson, George Batley, Nancy Brittain, Sarah Reggerie, Jean Bjork, Ian Lennon, Kathleen Wale, Serena Forni, Naomi Brown, Derek Ogden, Lawrence Barrett, Dominic Swift, Jennifer Douglas, Peter John Clements, Patience Mafunga, Jereline Simoms, Joy, Ayo Dumbuya, Ray and Pam Bennett, Dorren Norine, Beverley Pownall, Shola Adebawale, Una and Pat Murphy, Andrea Negri, Shane Claridge, Francis Burniston, James Ighodaro, Theresa Naish, Louiise, Anastasia, Allen, Jean Bromley, Angela Whyte, Josephine Baker, Saman Joseph, Myrtle, Brenda la Rose, Joe Donkor, Dorothy, Brandon, Ronald, Edna Noel, Anita Atherley, Evelyn Baker, Vincent Booth, Rita Thompson, Zena Godfrey, Mark, Veronica Reekie; Peggy Speirs; Daniel Sintin, Sally Sintin, Amie Samura, Victor Snaith

for those who have died recently

Esarlatin Yildirim, Alberta, Ellerston, Rachael Jarvis, Terry, Adam, Sunnie Briggs, Eileen Ridge, Stella, Joan McLoughlin, Daniel Siemeeniako, Ray James, Shirley Collins, Elaine and Tina, Stephen Palmer, Gemma Marshall

and for all whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

30th November	Darris Williams
2 nd December	Vincent Venson
5 th December	Lucy Bunker

St Michael's Candle: Is burning in Loving memory of
Darris Williams and Arthur Grove Earp

The Blessed Sacrament Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Jayne James and Marcel and Marlene Ng Yu Tin

The Blessed Virgin Mary's Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Guy and Liline NgYu Tin

Sunday Mass live on Facebook 9.30am or later on our YouTube Channel. <https://www.facebook.com/StMichaelsWoodGreen/> or <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0N6wZDORWQ2rX89tnwLSIq>

Church open Sunday morning from 10.30am till midday for private prayer

Monday – St Michael at Bowes private prayer 10am – 12noon

Tuesday Church open from 10am – 12noon for private prayer

Zoom Bible Study 1.30pm <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88277927414>

Zoom Evening prayer at 6pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2093952395?pwd=S0E4YWtpRGNkNW5QZUpTQWtsWjhYZz09>

Wednesday St Michael at Bowes Church open 10am – 12noon

Zoom Evening Prayer at 6.00pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2093952395?pwd=S0E4YWtpRGNkNW5QZUpTQWtsWjhYZz09>

Thursday Night Prayer on Facebook 8pm

<https://www.facebook.com/StMichaelsWoodGreen/>

Friday Church open from 10am – 12noon