

# A very warm Welcome to St Michael's Church



The Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 15th August 2021

## Opening Sentence

Let us rejoice in the Lord and celebrate this feast in honour of the Virgin Mary, at whose assumption the angels rejoice, giving praise to the Son of God.

## 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.

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

## Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we  
worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your  
glory.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.**

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

## **The Liturgy of the Word**

O God, you have taken to yourself the blessed Virgin Mary, mother of your incarnate Son: Grant that we, who have been redeemed by his blood, may share with her the glory of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Let us sit and pay careful attention to the Word of God.

### **First Reading**

A reading from the book of Revelation (11:19;12:1-6.10)

The sanctuary of God in heaven opened and the ark of the covenant could be seen inside it. Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman, adorned with the sun, standing on the moon, and with the twelve stars on her head for a crown. She was pregnant, and in labour, crying aloud in the pangs of childbirth. Then a second sign appeared in the sky, a huge red dragon which had seven heads and ten horns, and each of the seven heads crowned with a coronet. Its tail dragged a third of the stars from the sky and dropped them to the earth, and the dragon stopped in front of the woman as she was having the child, so that he could eat it as soon as it was born from its mother. The woman brought a male child into the world, the son who was to rule all the nations with an iron sceptre, and the child was taken straight up to God and to his throne, while the woman escaped into the desert, where God had made a place of safety ready, for her to be looked after in the twelve hundred and sixty days.

Then I heard a voice shout from heaven, 'Victory and power and empire for ever have been won by our God, and all authority for his Christ, now that the persecutor, who accused our brothers day and night before our God, has been brought down.'

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

## **Responsorial Psalm(44)**

**On your right stands the Queen  
in garments of gold.**

The daughters of kings are among your loved ones  
On your right stands the Queen in gold of Ophir.  
Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words:  
forget your own people and your father's house. **R.**

So will the king desire your beauty;  
he is your lord, pay homage to him.  
They are escorted amid gladness and joy;  
they pass within the palace of the king. **R.**

## **Second Reading**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.(15:20-26)

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death, for everything is to be put under his feet.

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

## **Alleluia**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Mary has been taken up into heaven;  
all the choirs of angels are rejoicing.

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

## Gospel

The Lord be with you,  
**And also with you.**

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke,(1:39-56)  
**Glory to you, Lord.**

Mary set out and went as quickly as she could to a town in the hill country of Judah. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth.

Now as soon as Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. She gave a loud cry and said, 'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord? For the moment your greeting reached my ears, the child in my womb leapt for joy. Yes, blessed is she who believed that the promise made her by the Lord would be fulfilled.'

And Mary said:

'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord  
and my spirit exults in God my saviour;  
because he has looked upon his lowly handmaid.  
Yes, from this day forward  
all generations will call me blessed,  
for the Almighty has done great things for me.  
Holy is his name,  
and his mercy reaches from age to age  
for those who fear him.  
He has shown the power of his arm,  
he has routed the proud of heart.  
He has pulled down princes from their thrones  
and exalted the lowly.

The hungry he has filled with good things,  
the rich sent empty away.  
He has come to the help of Israel his servant,  
mindful of his mercy  
- according to the promise he made to our ancestors -  
of his mercy to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Mary stayed with Elizabeth about three months and then went back home.

**This is the Gospel of Our Lord. Praise to you O Christ.**

## **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 men 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.**

## **The Peace**

**Christ is our peace he has reconciled us to God in one body by the  
cross; we meet in his name and share his peace!**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And with your spirit**

## **Offertory Prayers**

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**

Lord,  
receive this offering of our service.  
You raised the Virgin Mary to the glory of heaven  
By her prayers, help us to seek you  
and to live in your love.  
We ask this through Jesus 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.

Today the virgin Mother of God was taken up into heaven  
to be the beginning and the pattern of the Church in its perfection,  
and a sign of hope and comfort  
for your people on their pilgrim way.

You would not allow decay to touch her body,  
for she had given birth to your Son, the Lord of all life,  
in the glory of the incarnation.

In our joy we sing to your glory  
with all the choirs of angels:

**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**

All generations will call me blessed,  
for the Almighty has done great things for me.

*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 the following prayer:*

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**

Lord,  
may we who receive this sacrament of salvation  
be led to the glory of heaven

by the prayers of the Virgin Mary.  
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.**

May the Holy Angels of God watch over and protect you  
May Mary the holy Mother of God, Saint Michael and all the holy saints surround you with their prayers  
And the blessing...

**The Mass is ended, Go in peace.  
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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**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.**

**Bounds Green food bank – wish list: -**

**Urgently** needed food items include tinned fruit/meat/fish/ sauces.  
tea bags, oil, dried pasta/Rice uht milk, condensed milk.  
breakfast cereal, jam, honey, sugar.  
Baby formula, sanitary towels and cleaning products.

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 on **Tuesdays and Thursdays 2-4pm**



**St Michael's Followers** – Our junior church meet every Sunday during the 10.30am Mass. At this moment in time with social distancing we can only accommodate 12 children over the age of 5

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

Christopher Gibbons, Georgia Cordell, Naomi Brown, Francis Ng Yu Tin, Milan, Baby Naira, Kathleen, Eric, Kate, Seelah, Maureen Clements, Jean Bjork, Simon Payen, Shirley Angus, Augustus Olufunwa, Chris Zinzan, Jazzmine Grimes, Androulla & Fannos Hadjiordani, Ray and Pam Bennett , Emmanuel Kuye, Doreen Lelliot, Bob Wood, Krystyna Hammil, Cicely Blalock, Amy Harris, Jerry Moran, Daniel Sintin, Sally Sintin, Amie Samura, Marcus Cullen, Jennifer Douglas, Alexandra F Assis, Joshua Rattray, Victorine Clarke, Thomas Hewitt, Geri Thompson, Mary Thompson, Sarah Reggerie, Ian Lennon, Kathleen Wale, Serena Forni, Derek Ogden, Lawrence Barrett, Dominic Swift, Peter John Clements, Patience Mafunga, Jereline Simoms, Ayo Dumbuya, , 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, Mark, Ogbonna Quarcoopme-Harper, Gabriel, Julie Zinzan, Margaret and Ted, Adeline

***for those who have died recently***

Mildred Stewart, Victor Snaith; Trevor Monerville, Rex Charles Samuels; Junior Yethman; Frederick Coker; Michael George

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

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| 15th August             | Ethelda Yethman       |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> August | Brother Roger (Taize) |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> August | Daniel Siemeeniako    |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> August | Oliver Blalock        |

**St Michael's Candle:** Is burning in loving memory of Oliver Blalock

**The Blessed Sacrament Candle:** is burning in loving memory of  
Oliver Blalock

**The Blessed Virgin Mary's Candle:** is burning in loving memory of  
Oliver Blalock

