



# A very warm Welcome to St Michael's Church

Fourth Sunday of Lent

## Mothering Sunday

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2022

Today we take a short respite from our Lenten discipline and celebrate Mothering Sunday. We give thanks especially this day for our Mother Church, our Mother Mary and our own Mothers. This day is also known as refreshment Sunday and marks the halfway mark between Ash Wednesday and Easter. As part of our celebrations we shall break our Lenten fast by sharing traditional Simnel cake. Also flowers will be blessed and distributed in thanksgiving for all Motherhood.

### Opening Sentence

Hail, Holy Mother! The child to whom you gave birth is the king of heaven and earth

**Hymn:** Tell out my soul

### 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.**

### 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**

O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come.

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** (Sit)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians (6:1-4)

Children, be obedient to your parents in the Lord – that is your duty. The first commandment that has a promise attached to it is: *Honour your father and mother*, and the promise is: *and you will prosper and have a long life in the land*. And parents never drive your children to resentment but in bringing them up correct them and guide them as the Lord does.

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

**Gradual Hymn:** Now thank we all our God

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians (3:12-17)

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you, and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; you must now do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful.

Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home in you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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

## **Gospel Acclamation**

**Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**  
I am the light of the world, says the Lord  
Anyone who follows me will have the light of life  
**Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

## **Gospel**

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

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to (John 19: 25-27)  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. Seeing his mother and the disciple he loved standing near her, Jesus said to his mother, 'Woman, this is your son'. Then to the disciple he said, 'This is your mother'. And from that moment the disciple made a place for her in his home.

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

## **Sermon (Sit)**

## **Intercessions (Sit)**

(Lead by our children)

For our holy mother Mary who loves and cares for us  
**All: We pray to you O Lord**

For our mother Church and all God's people  
**All: We pray to you O Lord**

For our own mothers who do so much for us

**All: We pray to you O Lord**

For the Queen and the royal family

**All: We pray to you O Lord**

For the peace of the world and an end to all wars

**All: We pray to you O Lord**

For the sick and all in any kind of need

**All: We pray to you O Lord**

Fr Ian: Let us pray for those who have died especially...  
May they rest in peace

**All: And rise in glory**

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

## **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 also with your spirit.**

Let us offer one another a sign of that peace

**Offertory Hymn:** Ye who own the faith of Jesus

## **Offertory Prayers**

### **Prayer over the Gifts**

We place before you with joy these offerings,  
which bring eternal remedy, O Lord,  
praying that we may both faithfully revere them  
and present them to you, as is fitting,  
for the salvation of all the world.

Through Christ our Lord.

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  
as we celebrate the motherhood of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
she became the virgin mother of your only Son,  
our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who is for ever the light of the world.

Through him the choirs of angels  
and all the powers of heaven  
praise and worship your glory.  
May our voices blend with theirs  
as we join in their unending hymn:

**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.**

*the priest continues.....*

**For thine is the Kingdom, the power,  
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **Breaking of the Bread:**

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**People: Though we are many we are one body, because we all  
share in the one bread.**

### ***Preparation for Communion:***

All: **With this bread...**

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the  
sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of  
the Lamb.

People: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my  
roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

All: **With this wine...**

*We now come forward to receive Communion or a blessing*

### **Communion Antiphon**

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.

**Communion Hymn:** Colours of day dawn into the mind  
Holy virgin by God's decree

### **Prayer after Communion**

Lord, you give us the sacraments of eternal redemption.  
May we who honour the memory of the mother of your Son  
rejoice in the abundance of your grace  
and experience your unfailing help. **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.**

### **Notices & Giving of flowers**

I watch the sunrise lighting the sky

## The Blessing & Dismissal

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

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

May the Lord who brought us to birth by his Spirit,  
strengthen us for the Christian life.

May the Lord who provides for all our needs  
sustain us day by day.

May the Lord whose steadfast love is constant as a mother's  
care, send us out to live and work for others.

And the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The Mass is ended, Go in peace. **Thanks be to God!**

**Final Hymn:** How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him

## The Angelus

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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.**

**Food Bank -Thank you** to all who have given so far, it is much appreciated especially as we are feeding more each week on **Tuesdays and Thursdays 12-4pm**



**St Michael's Followers** – Our junior church (children over the age of 5.) meet every Sunday during the 10.30am Mass. We continue to use hand sanitizer and ensure all touch areas are cleaned before and after use. The children are given their own supplies for their use only. We ask that parents complete a registration form for their children.

**Lent at St Michael's-** What difference has Lent made to you so far? Are you making full use of this holy season to walk a little closer with the Lord?

**Lent Course:** Lent is the great season of springtime in the Church's calendar through which we prepare for the great climax of Easter. So it's appropriate, alongside our fasting – our giving up of things upon which we've become too dependent or taking up of a particular commitment – Lent course Meeting weekly on Thursdays at 7pm



**Stations of the Cross** will take place every Sunday evening throughout Lent beginning at 6pm. This powerful and demanding devotion really helps us in our understanding of God's deep love for us and would be a great Lenten discipline to take on in the holy season.

**Flowers for Easter** – If you would like to purchase Easter Lilies in memory of a loved one for Easter. Lilies can be purchased for £5 and any donations for flowers for Easter will be gratefully received. The lilies will be arranged in Church on Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday with the names of loved ones listed on the altar. A list will soon be appearing at the back of Church

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

Lurleen, Osita Nwakor, Christopher Gibbons, Georgia Cordell, Naomi Brown, Francis Ng Yu Tin, Baby Naira, Kathleen, Eric, Kate, Seelah, Maureen Clements, Jean Bjork, Simon Payen, Shirley Angus, Augustus Olufunwa, Chris Zinzan, Jazzmine Grimes, Claudette, 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 Adebowale ,Una and Pat Murphy , Andrea Negri, Shane Claridge, Francis Burniston, James Ighodaro, Theresa Naish, Loiuisse, 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, Carmel

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

Austin, Joe and Fananda,

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

28<sup>th</sup> March                      Nyamako Banya

1<sup>st</sup> April                              Steve Payen

**St Michael's Candle:** Is burning for the people of Ukraine

**The Blessed Sacrament Candle:** is burning in loving memory of  
Nyamako Banya

**The Blessed Virgin Mary's Candle:** is burning in loving memory of  
all our departed mothers



## **Lenten Journey 2022**



### **Sundays in Lent**

**Said Mass 8.30am  
Parish Mass 10.30am  
Stations of the Cross 6pm**

### **Tuesdays in Lent**

**Mass 11am St Michael at Bowes**  
Followed by Lent Group bible study at St Michael at Bowes

### **Wednesdays in Lent**

**Mass 12noon**  
Silent prayer from 11.30am

### **Thursdays in Lent**

**Lent course 7pm SMWG**

### **Fridays in Lent**

Fast Day  
**Mass 5.30pm**  
Followed by breaking of the fast with spiced loaf and hot chocolate

### **Saturdays in Lent**

**Mass 12noon**