



ANGELS & SAINTS

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All Souls Service
Sunday 4th November
3pm
St. Michael's Church



Civic Service for
Remembrance Sunday
Sunday 11th November
9.45am

Christmas Market

Saturday 17th November

1pm – 4pm

St Michael's Christmas Market is on **Saturday 17th November** from 1pm – 4pm in The Parish Centre. If you are able to use your God-given talents to make a cake, knit, sew or create a gift or decoration please let me know. Likewise, if you are able to run a stall for all or part of the afternoon, there is a sign up sheet in the meeting room, or contact me.

This year we are also looking for donations of bottles (alcoholic or non-alcoholic) for a bottle tombola, raffle prizes, and plates of sandwiches and cakes for refreshments. These can all be left at the Parish Office.

I do hope that you will pass the word to friends and family and help build on last year's successful fundraising. If you would like a copy of the poster to display please contact the parish office or Ali Milward.

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WHY DO WE DO THAT IN WORSHIP?

ADVENT GROUP 2018



Tuesday evenings in The Meeting Room at 7.15 for coffee to begin by 7.30pm

**November 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th
& December 4th, 11th**

On these evenings we will:

- Think about rituals and practices in our worship, whilst noting the history of worship in the Christian tradition
- Discuss the reasons for different liturgy and colour during the Christian Year
- Ask questions as they arise and respond to questions that you bring with you.
- Prepare for and reflect upon the season of Advent

Everyone Welcome

Please sign up on the list in the meeting room if you are planning to come along

Parish Posada Journeying with the Holy Family 2018

I invite you to join in with this Advent journey. This is based on the Mexican tradition of a young couple visiting all the houses in a parish re-enacting Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.

The statue of Mary and Joseph will travel around the parish and stay overnight in different homes throughout Advent.

When the statue arrives at your house, you invite those who bring it to you into your home for hospitality. Please make sure you allow enough time to give and receive the figures and have a conversation and cup of tea (or whatever is offered).



It is important to remember that Advent is a time to make space and not rush around.

There is a short liturgy for you to say as you give and receive the figures. There are also some prayers and Bible references for you to look up and read. How you use these resources is up to you, please feel free to be imaginative. Please also leave a comment or draw a picture in the book provided relating to the visit of the Holy Family to your home. You could also take a photograph of the figure with family and friends or of where you have placed them in your home.

This is a wonderful way for children to think about the journey that Mary and Joseph made before the birth of Jesus. However, this is for people of all ages.

We can all appreciate taking time out of a very busy season to think and pray, looking to the coming of God.

Not everyone will be able to have the statue stay overnight with them, but it may be a nice idea if you invite other church members into your home for coffee whilst the statue is with you.

You will need to take responsibility for contacting the next person on the list to arrange a mutually convenient time to give and receive the statue. (don't leave this until the last minute!)

The statue is fragile, and breakable, so will need to be well cared for and handled by adults.

May you be blessed by this time and in this season of Advent.

***Lord of all time bless this season,
come amongst us in all we do.
Help us prepare for your coming
as we journey with Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem.
Amen***

If you would like the Holy Family to come to visit your house, please sign up on the noticeboard. Please write your name and telephone number clearly on the date that you will collect the figure. You will then need to take it to the next person on the list on the following day. This is a good opportunity to get to know each other better, so don't just sign up to visit those you know well.

L.I.F.T. Firework Party

Friday 2nd November

7.30pm

We are going to have a Firework Party on Friday 2nd November 2018 at Verwood Scout Hut. The charge for this event is a firework to be set off as part of the display. I thought it would be nice if we made this a family event so please bring your partners, husbands, children and friends.

We will start the display at 7pm due to having some little ones coming and then carry on until we run out of fireworks.

Hot Dogs £1.50, Burgers £2.00 and Homemade Slimming World Tomato Soup £1 will be available.

Tea, Coffee and Squash will also be available but if you wish to drink anything else please bring it with you.

Salisbury Women's Refuge

Coffee Morning

24th November, 10am-12noon



All welcome to come and join us for a cup of coffee and a chat whilst bringing along your donations for the Salisbury Women's Refuge.

Items required:

Christmas Food (not Christmas puddings)
Biscuits, Chocolates, Crackers, Tablecloths,
Serviettes
Wrapping Paper
Gifts for Ladies
NEW children's toys and books (ages 1-12)

Thank you
Jenny Burge

ALPHA COURSE

An Alpha course is on offer this Autumn.



Course dates: Wednesday 31st October, 7th & 14th November plus another to suit and Saturday 1st December (daytime)

Course Time: 7pm

If you are interested in attending, please email Duncan Moss on - dross@duncanmoss.co.uk



Thank You

The Coffee Morning held at All Saints has raised £403.00 after the donations from boxes left in both churches was added in to the earlier total. Thank you all for your donations to this amazing cause. Carolyn

Prayer & Fellowship Group

At our October meeting we enjoyed a Quiz with twenty miscellaneous questions. The winning pair were Ally and Daphne.

At our 15th November meeting we will be making a Christmas card. Please remember to bring along a ruler, pencil and scissors.

On Saturday 17th November we will be joining Ladies Group for the Christmas Market and running a Tombola. Please bring your gifts to our November meeting.

Parish Giving Scheme



So far we have at least 30 individuals or couples moving to this new, easy scheme.

It would be most appreciated if more donors were able to change to this very tax efficient means of donating to the Church. It cuts out an awful lot of administration on our part, whilst also paying any Income Tax refunds directly to our bank, the month that you make the payment. This helps our cash flow into the bank.

Please, please, consider transferring to this scheme. If you have any questions or would like another form please contact me.

Neil Gibson

Baptisms - November

Thomas Christopher Brayshaw

REST IN PEACE

Kit Gibson
Audrey Hutchison

Confirmation

Please pray for Claire Roberts who is to be confirmed at Salisbury Cathedral on 3rd November at 6.30 pm. You will be very welcome to the cathedral for the service to support Claire.

Calendar of Events for November

Friday	2nd	LIFT Firework Party	7.00pm	Scout Hut
Sunday	4th	All Souls Service	3.00pm	St Michael's
Tuesday	6th	Coffee Morning (weekly)	10.00am	Meeting Room
Tuesday	6th	Advent Group (5 week course)	7.15pm	Meeting Room
Wednesday	7th	Ann's Wednesday Workout	10.30am	Meeting Room
Wednesday	7th	Alpha Course (5 week course)	7.00pm	Potterne House
Thursday	8th	PCC Meeting	7.45pm	Meeting Room
Wednesday	14th	CTiV Christmas Card Count	6.30pm	Bethel Unit
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Sunday	11th	Civic Service for Remembrance	9.45am	St Michael's
Thursday	15th	All Saints Coffee Morning	10.30am	All Saints
Thursday	15th	Prayer & Fellowship	2.00pm	Meeting Room
Thursday	15th	CTiV Meeting	7.30pm	United Reformed
Saturday	17th	Christmas Market	1.00pm	Parish Centre
Sunday	18th	Parish Sunday Lunch	12 noon	Parish Centre
Tuesday	20th	Messy Church	3.30pm	Memorial Hall
Sunday	25th	Celtic Evening Prayer	6.00pm	St Michael's

Service Times

Monday-Thursday : Morning Prayer - 08.00 St. Michael's
Tuesday : Holy Communion - 6.30pm St. Michael's

Sunday Services

Holy Communion : 8.00am, 9.30am & 10.00am (All Saints)

Networks : 11.15am

Evening Worship : 6.00pm

Parish Office

Opening Hours: Monday - Friday 9am to 12pm

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Vicar: Revd. Deborah Matthews - 01202-823707 (Day off - Friday)



Services this month

4th Baptisms

11th Creative Church

18th Puppets

25th Communion