

Thought for the Month, May

This month is Christian Aid Week; an annual chance to show our generosity to those less fortunate than ourselves.

I have a Bible that shows all the words Jesus said in printed in red, this helps me to focus on his message. So, what did Jesus have to say about the poor?

The poor are important, Jesus said I have come to bring good news to the poor. We all remember the rich young man who came to Jesus asking what he needed to do to gain eternal life, Jesus said if you want to be perfect go sell your possessions and give to the poor and then come and follow me.



At Bethany when an expensive perfume was poured over Jesus, the indignant disciples protested that the perfume could have been sold and the money given to the poor. Jesus said the poor you will always have with you, but you will not always have me.

As I write this, the fund raising to restore Notre Dame, a Christian Cathedral in Paris, exceeded a billion euros in a couple of days. Do we care more about our church buildings than desperately poor children starving to death? Giving to the poor brings relief to the poor that are here with us now, and it builds up our treasure in heaven.

So this Christian Aid week let us be generous and give out of the many blessing we have received from God to bless the poor.

Russell



May Networks Services		
5th May	11.15am	Networks Christening
12th May	11.15am	Big Brekkie in the Parish Centre
19th May	11.15am	Networks Praise with Puppets
19th May	6.00pm	Raise the Roof
26th May	11.15am	Holy Communion
2nd June	11.15am	Networks Christening

Regular Giving to support your Church

If you don't currently support your Church and would like to start regular (or even occasional) giving, please get in touch or, pick up a Parish Giving Scheme form in the box labelled 'New Church Donors' on the left side of the main Church entry doors.

Our Donations Secretary can then help and set up the easiest method for you, either by regular Direct Debit or weekly envelopes.

They will also advise you on Gift Aid with takes just one simple signature. There is **no** extra cost to you but if you pay tax, it will benefit the Church with an extra 25% income on all your donations.

<https://www.st-michael.org.uk/get-in-touch/>

LIFT Ladies in Faith Together



2019 Schedule of LIFT Events:

3rd May - Drinks and Nibbles @ Sue Hancocks House
7th June - Scavenger Hunt (start and finish TBA)
5th July - Family BBQ @ 54 Woodlinken Drive
2nd Aug - NO LIFT
6th Sept - Drinks and Nibbles & Christmas Market Planning @ Tansy's House
4th Oct - Christmas Craft @ Ali's House
1st Nov - Sugar Paste Cake Decorating @ TBA
6th Dec - Wreath Making and Christmas Party @ TBA

Don't forget to get them in your diaries now.
Love
Debs

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Sunday 5th May 2019 at 7pm.

Please prayerfully consider if you are being called to serve in one or more of the important roles for which elections will be held at the APCM.

We would very much welcome your input.

Details of the posts and meeting are on our website <https://www.st-michael.org.uk/annual-parochial-church-meeting-sunday-5th-may-2019/>



You're invited to the Big Brekkie!

Want to change the world over breakfast? Then come and tuck in at our Big Brekkie! We'll be serving a delicious morning meal, while raising money to fight poverty and injustice worldwide.

Come and join all of us on May 12th at 11.15am in the Parish Centre.



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reaching out
Personally - Locally - Globally



21st May
3.15 - 5.30pm
Theme - Breakfast at the Beach

The Memorial Hall
Food provided - usually jacket potatoes and fillings.
Churches Together, Verwood


Our Mission Statement: To know Jesus Christ and to make Him known

Following its huge success
3 years ago ...
St Michael's Music Festival for
the Community is back!!

Saturday May 25th
Continuous live music in church
from 10am to 4pm.
Plus
Stalls, Refreshments & Displays.


The weekend finishes with
Afternoon Tea in the Meeting
Room at 3.00pm followed by
Songs of Praise at 4.00pm on
Sunday May 26th





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Join easyfundraising and you can collect free donations for us every time you buy something online. It won't cost you a penny extra so please help us to raise funds.

£4,872.44

raised so far

41

supporters

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Doing some on-line shopping?

Please consider joining the portal www.easyfundraising.org.uk and find your on-line shop from the list of retailers.

Make Verwood PCC your beneficiary & a percentage of what you spend will then given by the retailer to Verwood PCC for much needed church funds.

It's as "easy" as that!

Ringwood and Verwood FoodBank

URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS

(May 2019)



UHT MILK
FRUIT JUICE
SPONGE PUDDINGS
CUSTARD
TINNED FRUIT
TINNED POTATOES
TINNED CARROTS
NON TOMATO BASED SAUCES
JAM

HOUSEHOLD CLEANING FLUIDS
WASHING UP LIQUID
CLOTHS WASHING LIQUID/POWDER
TOOTHBRUSHES (NOT TOOTHPASTE)
SHAMPOO (NOT CONDITIONER)
DEODORANT
TOILET TOLL

(The foodbank is not able to use out of date food or opened packets.)