

We Pray For Those In Need

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Bobby Jones, Nicky and James, William, Janice, Peter Anderson,
Jeanette, Karen Buss

AND THOSE KNOWN ONLY TO GOD

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY AND THEIR FAMILIES

For those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time

Doris Keefe, Albert Johnson, Joan Thompson, Linda Terry, George Craven

COLLECT

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

Readings

Sunday 17 th March	Palm Sunday
Jeremiah 31 31-34	The Passion Reading
Psalms 51 1-13	Mark 14 – end of 15
Hebrews 5 5-10	Evan
John 12 20-33	

Hymns

795 You laid aside your majesty
987 Here is love, vast as the ocean
478 My song is love unknown
465 Meekness and majesty



St Michael and All Angels Fifth Sunday in Lent

Sunday 17th March 2024

Holy Communion 10.30am

Led by Rev'd Carol Cockcroft

Future services at St Michael's Church

Wednesday 20th March 11.00am

Holy Communion Service

Led by Rev Carol Cockcroft

Palm Sunday 24th March

10.30am Holy Communion

Led by Rev'd Carol Cockcroft

We request that all general and pastoral matters be addressed in the first instance to **Iain** on iainsd@hotmail.co.uk/730653

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(Except Tuesday and Friday)



Pews News

Items for Pews News by Wednesday evening please.

Pews News and Halls bookings contact Edna Akam

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POST BOX on pillar at church drive entrance. PRAYER REQUESTS can also be posted here

Healing Prayer Group, first Tuesday of month at 2pm in small hall

Church Prayer Group with Rev'd Carol Cockcroft in church prayer room every Thursday at 2.30pm

John and Alison's Home Group alternate Fridays at 10.30am. Contact Alison or John for dates and details.

Hazel and Jim fortnightly on Tuesdays 6.30pm. Next meeting Tuesday 19th March Remember – "Thought for the Week" can be accessed on our website Sundays 9.30am we all do together. This has been diligently thought out and prepared every week by Rosemary and her contribution to our worship is enormously appreciated by all. Thank you from all your friends at St Michael's.

St Michael's DCC Mission Action Plan

Lists available at back of church

This week please pray for roads on list from 17th March 23rd March

EASTER LILIES. If you would like to buy a lily in memory of a loved one, there is a list at the back of church. The lilies will be in the Easter display and names of loved ones will go in the book of remembrance at the back of church. The cost is £5 which can be given to Jill.

GOOD FRIDAY CRAFTS Help is needed with the crafts for children on Good Friday (19th) from 10-12. This is a popular event and good outreach. You don't need to provide anything (unless you want to) but just man a table. Let Jill know if you are available. Thank you.

Lent is an opportunity to follow Jesus into the wilderness, leaving 'stuff' behind, to focus on God and the implications of our baptism promises; to go wherever God takes us, For St Michael's and St Peter's, Stephen and I are recommending Rowan William's 'Meeting God in Paul' as a Lent book. It is an accessible read and has a Bible passage for each day in Lent with reflections and questions to consider. It can be studied individually and in small groups. At St Michael's we are also having three Saturday morning prayer stations, based on the three chapters of the book: Outsider and insiders; the Universal welcome, and The new creation, from 10am to 12 noon on 9th March and 22nd March. Lenten Bible study '24 The Beatitudes, Sermon on the Mount, Wednesdays from 21st February to 20th March. 10am to 12 noon, Bexhill United Reform church.

Confirmation Preparation

Confirmation is a special church service, led by the Bishop, in which a person confirms the promises that were made when they were baptized. It is an opportunity to affirm a commitment to follow Jesus for life, There will be a youth confirmation preparation group on 6 Thurs evenings from 6-7pm starting on 22nd February until 28th March based on Youth Alpha. This will be joint with St Peter's and will be for ages c12-18. We should Also be happy to run an adult confirmation class in February. If you would like to consider being confirmed please speak with Rev'd Carol.

Volunteers Needed

Would you like to help homeless people OFF the streets and back ON their feet? Come and be part of our Transom Trust Team. We are looking for pastoral support volunteers to befriend mentor and support residents for around 2 hours per week-to enable the residents to establish a new life for themselves and prevent repeat homelessness. To volunteer, or for more details, please watch the video n our website where 3 of our pastoral support team openly share about their role. Email transomtrust@outlook.com <https://transomtrust.org.uk/uncategorized/july21-its-like-this-ups-downsbut-so-worth-while/>

Six churches represent members of The CTiB Men's Coffee Fellowship.

We invite men from all churches to come and enjoy friendship, tea, coffee and biscuits the third Monday each month. Next: Monday, 18th March 10.30 a.m. Beulah Baptist Church Buckhurst Road Speaker: Barry Turnwell.

Subject: My secret Red Book

Colin Clarke R.I.P

Colin's funeral will take place on Wednesday 20th March 4pm at Beulah Baptist Church. All friends welcome at the church. 3.15 is the Committal at Hastings Crematorium and thanksgiving service at Beulah at 4pm followed by refreshments.

Thank you to those who have brought food for our Barnabas fund collection for Christians in famine areas who need actual food not just cash to try to buy "non-existent food" locally. We will be collecting until the end of lent, by Maundy Thursday at latest. After that, please take your gifts to the Coach House, House of Prayer at Manor Barn, or give to Alison to deliver. Thank you.

Please see the Barnabas Fund petition, calling on our government to seek to pressure the governments of Nigeria and other Southern African Commonwealth nations to protect Christians in their nations. eg: the Nigerian Christians in the northern and middle belts of Nigeria are increasingly subject to genocidal attacks from marauding Islamist groups who attack the rural Christian communities, kill those they can find, steal their livestock, burn their homes, abuse and abduct their children. eg. Just this month 2 large groups of children in Christian boarding schools have been either burned to death in their dormitories or abducted. The Nigerian Islamic government have for many years not protected Christians from these attacks, and there are now hundreds of thousands of displaced Nigerian Christians, on the move with nothing, trying to find a safe place to settle. Unless their government takes it seriously, the previously thriving Christian communities may well not survive. Please sign the petition at the back to seek help for our brothers and sisters in Jesus.

Forthcoming Events

Edna and Friends Concert Saturday 6th April 2.30pm
Beetle Drive Saturday 13th April