

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 9TH DECEMBER 2018

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The deadline for notices for the Sunday sheet is Wednesday at 12.00 noon

WELCOME TO OUR INCLUSIVE, CHURCH FAMILY

St Michael & All Angels is a church where people are called to come together to explore the mystery of God's love. All of us, without exception, are called by God. A special welcome to all visitors and newcomers. May God bless you this day and every day. Please help yourself to a *Welcome Pack* before you leave.

ANTIPHON

Prepare the way of the Lord: make his paths straight. (Matthew 3: 3)

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SERVICES FOR THE FAMILY

The Candlelight Service of Lessons & Carols - Sunday 16th December at 6.30pm

The Crib Service is on Christmas Eve - 4pm.

Midnight Mass - 11.30pm

Christmas Day - 10am

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Helpers needed urgently to help with Christmas flowers on Christmas Eve. Pots and foliage already prepared. Will just need the flowers already provided, added. If interested, please speak to Ann Zacheis on 07748355373 or Doreen.

THE 2018-19 CHRISTMASTIDE QUIZ IS OUT NOW!

Clues of varying difficulty on this year's theme: *Flora*. Entry is *by email only*; contact me to go on the recipients' list. Jenny Gerrard bjg1@waitrose.com

ASYLUM WELCOME WEEKEND UPDATE

Thanks to all of you for coming to the Asylum Welcome fundraising weekend, and more thanks for buying a photograph. In all, we raised well over £7,000 for Asylum Welcome, which will make a real difference. Many thanks.

COLLECTIONS FOR THE HOMELESS

As in previous years there will be two boxes in church on Today and 16 December:
- for Gatehouse – *New* warm waterproof gloves, socks, scarves, underwear, chocolate bars (nb no woolly hats needed this year); and for The Porch/Steppin Stones – thermal underwear, soap, shampoo, shower gel, toothpaste, toothbrushes, chocolate bars.

FIRE ALARM TEST THIS MORNING AFTER 10AM SERVICE

CAROLS

Carols at Green Gates Nursing Home in Hernes Road on Monday the 17th December 6-15 pm for a 6-30 start.

Carols at the Lady Nuffield Residential Home on the corner of Beechcroft Road with the Banbury Road on Tuesday the 18th December 7-15 pm for a 7-30 start. After singing with a group of residents we sing along the corridors for people in their rooms who often have requests for favourite carols.

Many of the residents come from our Partnership Churches and this annual event is an opportunity for the church family to show they are not forgotten.

WHY I LIKE ST MICHAEL'S

Some recent comments from those in the know!

"... very friendly and welcoming"

SUNDAYS

8.00 am Holy Eucharist
Traditional Language

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

1st Sunday of the month:

All-Age Family Eucharist

3rd Sunday of the month:

Sung Eucharist from the High Altar

6.30pm Contemplative Prayer
In the Lady Chapel

WEEKDAYS

9.00 am Silent Prayer
In the Lady Chapel

9.30 am Morning Prayer
In the Lady Chapel

**TIMES CHANGE IN NEW YEAR
TO 8.30AM & 9AM**

Holy Eucharist

Thursdays 10.00am

1st Thursday of the month: Healing -
the laying on of hands and anointing.

Choir Practice

Thursdays 6.30-7.45pm

Contact Steve Allen - 07717 852020

Men's Breakfast

1st Saturday of the month

Contact Steve Hunter - 01865 552475

FOR CHILDREN

'Children's Church' on Sunday
meets in the vestry during
10.00am Parish Eucharist (term time only)

Godly Play

every 4th Sunday

at 10am with a crèche provided

St Michael's Choristers Age 3+

practise Thursdays in church

in term-time at 5.30 pm and sing on the

1st Sunday of the month

Contact Alice - 07791 328108

Baby & Toddler Group

Tuesdays 10.00 - 12.00 noon

