

## WELCOME TO ALL

**St. Michael's Church, East Ardsley, [www.stmichaelspc.co.uk](http://www.stmichaelspc.co.uk)**

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February, – Lent 2  
10.0 Holy Communion

Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> February – 8.30 a.m. – Morning Prayer (said)  
27<sup>th</sup> Feb. – 7.30 p.m. – Lent course – looking at the Parables  
of Jesus on growth - In the Church Hall.

Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> March – 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Lent 3  
10 a.m. Morning Worship  
4 p.m. Holy Communion at St. Gabriel's

For your prayers

Link Parish – Borenga, Mara, Tanzania, Issenye School.

Sick: Barbara Bruce, Mary Flint

R.I.P: Nadine Kaminski, Paul Sadler, Pat Hurworth

### **Today's hymns**

686 Through all the changing scenes of life

693 Thy will be done

337 I will sing the wondrous story

387/388 Let us break bread together

728 What a wonderful change

### **Today's readings**

New Testament : 2 Corinthians 4: 3 – 6

Gospel – Mark 8: 31 – end

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### Coffee Morning

The next coffee morning in Church will be between  
10 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

The next Film Night will be Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March when “Guess who's coming to dinner” will be shown.

### Electoral Roll

The Church's Annual meeting will be held in the Church Hall on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Everyone is welcome to attend but only those registered on the electoral roll are allowed to vote and/or hold office. Please check the list at the back of Church and if you are not on the list please ask the Church Warden for the necessary form to complete.

### Looking towards Lent

Easter this year is early with Easter Day falling on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> April. As usual there are various services and events taking place during Lent in the lead up to Easter Day.

Also we are holding Lent lunches in the Church Hall on Monday's during Lent starting on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> February at 12.00 The food will comprise soup and a sandwich followed by a short meditation on Lent/Easter. Please sign up at the back of church if you intend to join us and then we have an idea for catering. Thanks.

Our Lent talks on Tuesday nights are taking a different style this year with three of the five evenings focusing on our 'Leading Your Church into Growth' project. You are encouraged to join us in the Church Hall on these evenings at 7.30 until 9.00 as we journey together sharing and discussing God's call upon our lives as his church family here at St. Michael's. The evenings are an opportunity to receive teaching and allow us to input our own thoughts and ideas for building up the life and witness of St. Michael's.

**Lent course – Tuesday nights – Church Hall – tea/coffee served from 7 p.m.**

**Session – Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> February**

- Looking at the Parables of Jesus on growth

**Session 2 – LyCiG – Local Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> March**

- Our plan – developing a strategy for growth and doing it.

**Session - Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> March**

- Re-building the walls – lessons from Nehemiah

**Session 3 –LyCiG-Local – Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March**

- Our culture – developing a community of invitation – welcome and hospitality

**Please note** the three LYCiG-local sessions over Lent will also be run after the Thursday morning Holy Communion service starting at 10.45 and will finish by 12.00 at the latest. The dates are March 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. This offers members of the congregation an opportunity to look at the material in a day time session.

CAP Money Management Course

Ardsley and Tingley Churches together are running a CAP (Christians Against Poverty) Money Management course at West Ardsley Methodist Church in February/March. The course will take place over three consecutive Wednesday evenings, commencing on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 7 p.m. and concluding on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March. Please note, that the first meeting also includes a complementary light meal. The course provides excellent advice on budgeting and money management, and is beneficial to everyone. If you would like to attend, or know someone who might benefit from the course please have a word with Catherine Rainford on 0113 2380631 by 18<sup>th</sup> February, thanks.

Bistro Night – Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 7.30 p.m.

Michelle and Alison are hosting a Junk Food Bistro night on 3<sup>rd</sup> March in the Sunday School at 7.30 p.m. This will be a three course meal on a “pay as you feel” basis (byob and glass). We would like you to donate tinned/ fresh fruit or veg to make the meal. Anything that you have that you may not need or want will be gratefully accepted and put together to make a fabulous meal. We will be in Sunday School from 5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March to accept donations of food. Donations will also be accepted in Church, after the Service, that evening. Please put your name on the list at the back of church to secure you place at the table. Any questions, please see either Michelle or Alison.

Women’s World Day of Prayer

Everyone is invited to join in the service (one of over 5,000 being held) on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 7 p.m. in St. Michael’s to pray for the planet. The service this year has been written by the women of Suriname in South America with the title “All God’s Creation is Very Good!” An estimated 3 million people around the world are expected to join in a Service.

We are asked to pray for conservation and the protection of wildlife, through an awareness of pollution, misuse and abuse, as well as for the situation in Suriname and concerns for the future.

Murder Mystery

At 7.30p.m on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> March A Murder Mystery will be enacted by Lidgett Park Players at St. Andrew’s Community hall, Bruntcliffe, Morley for Christian Aid. Tickets are £6 (adults), £3 (children) including light refreshment (BYOB) from Hazel Rennison.

**Non-Returnable Medical Aids & Medication (in date)**

can be put to use by JOY – our Jan/Feb adopted charity. Contact Malcolm or Hazel who can collect and deliver to JOY.