

## WELCOME TO ALL

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

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – 22<sup>nd</sup> Trinity  
10.0 Holy Communion

Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> October – 8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Thursday, 26<sup>th</sup> October – 9.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October – 20<sup>th</sup> Trinity  
10 a.m. Holy Communion  
6 p.m. All Souls Service

For your prayers

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

Sick: Mary Flint, Val Hargreaves, Eric Blakeley,

Rev. David Peat, Paul Sadler,

R.I.P: Malcolm Srachan.

### **This morning's hymns**

739 When morning gilds the skies  
436 Majesty, worship his majesty  
762 You are the King of Glory  
622 Sweet sacrament divine  
564 Praise him, praise him, praise him

Today's readings:

New Testament – 1 Thessalonians 1: 1 – 10

Gospel – Matthew 22 : 15 – 22

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### Coffee Morning

There will be coffee served at the Flower Club Christmas Fayre in the Church Hall on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> November, therefore, no coffee in Church on this day

### Girls' Night Out

The next meeting will be on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> November when we will be going out for a meal.

Alpha Away Day - Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November.

At the moment there is Alpha being run on a Tuesday lunchtime and the Prayer & Praise group who meet on Thursday night. Part of the Alpha course is to meet up for a day's teaching on the Holy Spirit and it is lovely to announce that on Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November Canon Derek Walmsley (Carolyn's husband) will lead the day at Archbishop Holdgate's retreat centre. If you would like to join us for the day then please place your name on the list at the back of Church. Also there are one or two people who have been on previous Alpha courses and have not been able to join the day away – again please consider joining us and anybody who has been on the day and would like to consider joining us again then please speak to Glenn or Angela. Many thanks.

### Churchyard

We have recently had to pay out for a new mower and strimmer for the Churchyard. If you would like to make a contribution towards the costs of maintenance equipment to help keep our churchyard looking lovely please see John.

## Harvest – Thank You

Our fresh harvest offerings were again taken to All Hallows Church in Leeds for their Junk Food Café. The ‘Rainbow Junction Bistro’ is now up and running again on a Friday evening, fortnightly.

We are hopefully planning a trip there on Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> November. I already had 19 people signed up to go, when unfortunately the Bistro closed for a while and it is only in recent weeks that I have been advised of the re-opening. Those already on the list I will contact by phone but if anyone else would like to go please let me know by Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October so that I can make a firm booking – which is essential. Tele: Kath on 01924 823164. Transport arrangements to be advised. Thank you, Kath.

## Social Events

In order to plan our events in good time for 2018 we will be having a meeting in the Church Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> November. Please come along, - all very welcome – with your ideas or offers of help so we can decide how best to raise the money required to keep us going in an interesting and joyful manner.

## Afternoon Tea

On Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November, between 2 – 4 p.m. the Sunday School will be hosting an afternoon tea in the Church Hall in aid of Martin House Children’s Hospice. Tickets are £5 and are available from any of the Sunday School teachers or Kath Barker in Church.

## Leading Your Church into Growth

Four of us will be attending this course in November.

The course is designed to help stem the declining congregations within the Church of England and to build in numbers and in the spirituality of its people and bring them closer to God and his son Jesus Christ.

Please pray for the course and the aims and ambitions it has for St. Michael’s Church.

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church

Send your Holy Spirit to give

Vision to our planning

Wisdom to our actions, and

Power to our witness.

Help our Church to grow in numbers,

In spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Gift Day 2017

This year’s Gift Day has, so far, raised £1140. Last year £1620 was raised. Thank you to those who have given. There is still time to give towards the Day.

## All Souls Service

Please note our annual All Souls service will be held at 6 p.m. on Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> October

## Church Flowers

As you will know Mavis Roberts tries to keep the church looking lovely with fresh flowers when possible. Her funds are running a bit low at present and if you would like to make a small contribution towards future decorations this will be appreciated. Many thanks to those who have already given.

