

**Entrance antiphon:** You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;  
Treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

**Psalm response: O that today you would listen to his voice!  
Harden not your hearts.**

**Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord,  
consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

**The Apostles Creed** is on page 8.

**To follow the Bidding Prayers:**

**Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary,**  
that it is a thing unheard of,  
that anyone ever had recourse to your protection,  
implored your help, or sought your intercession and was left unaided.  
Filled, therefore, with confidence in your goodness,  
I fly to you, O Mother, Virgin of Virgins.  
To you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner.  
Despise not my poor words. O Mother of the Word of God,  
but graciously hear and grant my prayer. Amen.

**To conclude the Bidding Prayers:**

May He support us all the day long,  
'til the shades lengthen  
and the evening comes ,  
and the busy world is hushed,  
and the fever of life is over,  
and our work is done.  
Then, in His mercy,  
may He give us a safe lodging,  
and a holy rest,  
and peace at the last. Amen.

**Communion Antiphon:** Like the deer that yearns for running streams,  
so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God,  
the living God.

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back of Church, after Mass so that it can be reused. Many thanks.

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10th September, 2023  
Twenty - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Be reconciled.

## WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S

If you are a visitor or new to the parish, we welcome you warmly.  
All Masses are live streamed and Mass streaming links can be found at  
[www.saintmichaelsonningcommon.org.uk](http://www.saintmichaelsonningcommon.org.uk)

If you would like a home visit please call Fr Michael Tel: 0118 972 3418,  
Deacon Brian Theobald Tel: 07484332580 or email the parish office.

**PLASTIC BLITZ ALONG THE THAMES RIVER BANK, FROM SONNING**  
**This Saturday, 9th September, 10am—12pm**

## VOLUNTEERING IN THE LIFE OF THE PARISH

Fr Michael would also like to thank everyone who has volunteered to take on volunteering roles in the parish. If you have volunteered but have not yet been contacted please speak with Fr Michael or Deacon Brian.

## ST MICHAEL'S PARISH WEEKEND

**29TH SEP - 1ST OCT**

Talks by Canon Paul Fitzpatrick on  
Friday 29th September 7pm  
And Saturday 30th September at 10am

## SATURDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER, 7PM—11PM

**St Michael's parish Ceilidh** at the Peppard War Memorial Hall  
£10 per person or £20 for a family of 4 . The price includes a light supper.  
Please email the office if you would like tickets. [stmichaels.rc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stmichaels.rc@hotmail.co.uk)  
Tickets will also be available to buy after Masses this weekend.

## SUNDAY, 1ST OCTOBER

**Parish Shared lunch** after 10.30 am Mass and **produce sale on behalf of cirdic**  
If you have any homemade jams, chutneys or spare crops of any fruit or vegetables or if you make gifts and would be happy to donate something to the stall we would be very grateful - please contact Marlena via the church office email - produce can be left

## THE GARDENING GROUP

We meet every Tuesday at the presbytery (weather permitting) from  
9:30am -12.30pm. Tools and refreshments provided

**GOSPEL SHARE** - Wednesdays at 7.00pm - please email Brian for the zoom codes [dcn.brian.theobald@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:dcn.brian.theobald@rcaob.org.uk)

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**10th September 2023**

Vigil Mass	5.30 pm	Holy Souls
Sunday	9.00 am	People of the Parish
	10.30 am	Children of the Parish
Monday	9.30 am	Syria
Tuesday	12.00 pm	Ukraine
Wednesday	<b>9.00 am</b>	<b>Mass at St Martin's school.</b> All welcome
Thursday	12.00 pm	Holy Souls
Friday	9.30 am	Greta Cotter intentions

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**17th September 2023**

Vigil Mass	5.30 pm	Holy Souls
Sunday	9.00 am	People of the Parish
	10.30 am	Children of the Parish

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)** will be available in the Sacristy this Saturday, 2nd September from 10.00am - 10.30am or at any time on request.

**The Sacrament of the Sick**-any time on request. Tel: Fr. Michael on 0118 972 3418

## PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Dominic Antão, Catherine Belletty, Savanna Clark, Jean Davies, Bob Ely, Alison Flynn, Cecilia Fung, Mary Hagger, Jim Hardiman, Rogan Hodgson, Vivien Kear, Jennifer Learmonth, Mary Lewis, Louise Milledge, Reuben Muston, Veronica Parker, John Raynard, Elizabeth Rogers, Fr, Paul Rowan, Peppin Sanz, Beth Selwood, Geoffrey Stitt, Shirley Trollop.

**May the Lord bring them healing and peace.**

*Peter Bussell* died this afternoon (Friday). Details later. RIP

## MASSES FOR THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

**Saturday 14th and Sunday, 15th October**

Do you know someone who would like to come to the service or would you like to come yourself, but need transport? Please contact the Church office or speak with Fr Michael or Deacon Brian.

## DAY FOR MARRIED COUPLES

**Saturday, 14th October. 9.45am—3.00pm**

An opportunity for spouses to remember their wedding day and reflect on their marriage journey together. There is no cost  
The day will be led by couples from St Michael's and St Anne's using words, images and music. Drinks will be provided. Bring your lunch.

**The Dates For Your Diary are also on the back of the Thought for the Week**