

**Entrance antiphon:** Look to your covenant, O Lord,  
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.  
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,  
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

**Psalm response:** Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.

**Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia ! Blessings on the King who comes,  
in the name of the Lord !  
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens ! Alleluia !

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

**To follow the Bidding Prayers:**

**Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy,**  
hail our life, our sweetness and our hope.  
To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve,  
to you do we send up, our sighs,  
mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.  
Turn then, most gracious advocate,  
your eyes of mercy towards us, and after this our exile,  
show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.  
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

(V) Pray for us O most holy Mother of God  
( R ) that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ

**To conclude the Bidding Prayers:**

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon; where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled  
as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive;  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

**Communion Antiphon:** O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,  
who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

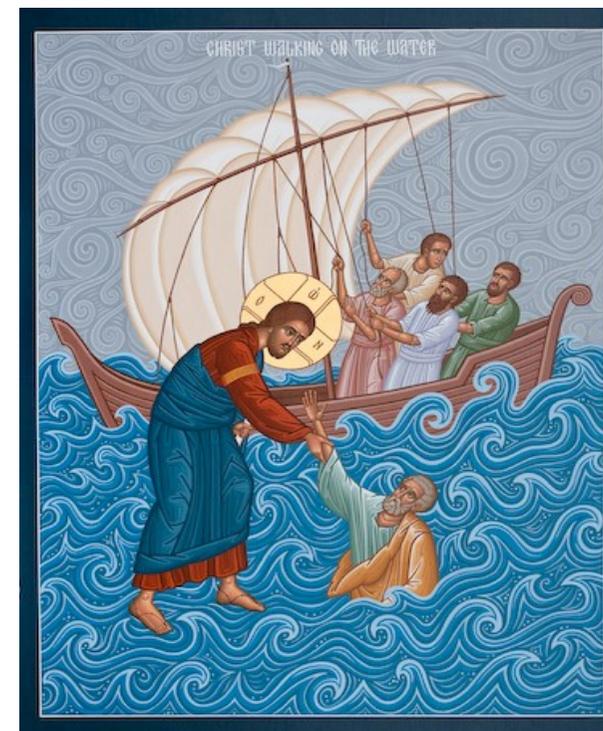
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13th August, 2023  
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Lord ! Save me, or I perish !

## 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.

**Tuesday is the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady.**

It is a holy day of obligation Masses are at  
7.00pm on Monday the evening and midday on Tuesday.

**“BIBLE ALIVE”** Are you following the Daily Reflections on the Mass readings?

### YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOUR HELP

This week we are asking for additional volunteers to help with the  
**Church Cleaning**—this would be on a rota about once every 6 weeks. The  
cleaning involves dusting and hoovering and takes about 1 hour.  
If you enjoy a little quiet time alone in Church then this is the job for you.  
If you are able to help—Please talk to Fr Michael or Deacon Brian or contact  
Stephen Fox who is the coordinator via the parish email .

### PARISH PRODUCE SALE ON BEHALF OF CIRDIC

To all those parishioners, their families and friends who are planning to  
make chutneys, jams and cordials in the coming weeks—this is a reminder  
that on **Sunday, 1st October we will be having a produce sale** to raise  
money for the homeless charity CIRDIC. So if you have any extra jars of  
jam or spare crops of tomatoes, courgettes or apples 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

### CEILIDH

Please put the date in your diary **Saturday, 30th September, 7pm—11pm**  
at the Peppard War Memorial Hall

£10 per person or £20 for a family 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)

### THE GARDENING GROUP

We meet every Tuesday (weather permitting) from 9:30am -12.30pm Tools  
and refreshments provided—come for 30 minutes or the whole 3  
hours—every little helps and everyone is welcome.

### NO GOSPEL SHARE THIS WEEK

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

## NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

13th, August 2023

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

**Monday 11.00 am Funeral Mass for Kathleen Kearns**  
**7.00 pm Vigil Mass Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady.**

<b>Tuesday 12.00 pm Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady.</b>
Wednesday 9.30 am Holy Souls
Thursday 12.00 pm Ukraine
Friday 9.30 am Syria

## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

20th, August 2023

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

**Please note the change of Mass times on Monday**

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)** will be available in the Sacristy this  
Saturday, 12th August, 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, Peter Bussell, 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.**

### PARISH SAFEGUARDING

Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Mary Lewis** who can be con-  
tacted at: [sg.stmichael.sonningcommon@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmichael.sonningcommon@rcaob.org.uk) or alterna-  
tively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/  
[safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

Please pray for the repose of the soul and the  
consolation of the family of **Kathleen Kearns**  
who died last week and whose funeral will be  
at St Michael's this Monday, 14th August, at 11am.

