

Entrance antiphon: The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

Psalm response: O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful and I will give you the crown of life. 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: To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in the God the Lord

The newsletter is also available at www.saintmichael.sonningcommon.org.uk
If you do not need to take this one home, please do return it to the console at the back of Church after Mass, so that it can be reused. Many thanks.



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19th November, 2023
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Do not bury your talents.

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

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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEK: Non Gift Aid £180.35

THERE WILL BE A **SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND**
ON BEHALF OF THE **CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE**

A THOUGHTFUL CHRISTMAS

The Churches own Thoughtful Living Group have created a display at the back of Church with ideas on how we can all make our Christmas a little more sustainable and thoughtful.

Please take the time to look at the display and hopefully get some great ideas on ways to give a little something extra this Christmas.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A COMPETENT VOLUNTEER TO PLAY THE PIANO OR ORGAN at the Children's Christmas Mass at 5pm on Christmas Eve. Please speak with Deacon Brian or Father Michael if you can help.

WE ARE INVITED TO THREE ADVENT SESSIONS ON PRAYER.

Sacred Heart Church Henley on Thames, Tuesdays 28th November and 5th and 12th December from 7.30pm—9.00pm. Please see the poster at the back of Church.

CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE this weekend.

Donate £1 to CIRDIC and choose up to 10 cards to take away.

WE ARE INVITED TO THE FINAL TALK AT THE SACRED HEART CHURCH, 21st November 7.30pm - 9.00pm in the parish library— the theme is Mission.

CHRISTMAS PUDDING MAKING EVENING FRIDAY 24TH NOV.

Last chance to book a place - please email the office: stmichaels.rc@hotmail.co.uk

THE BIG CLEAN

Please pencil in **SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 9.30AM** onwards for the cleaning of the inside of the church before Christmas. Please join us for as long as you can - 30mins - 2hours to get the Church ready for Christmas

CHRISTMAS FLOWER WORKSHOP

Saturday, December 16th in the Church Hall. 10am - 12pm **This is now full.**

CIRDIC Thank you for all the towels parishioners collected and are hoping we might be able to now collect: Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Deodorant, Shower Gel, Soaps, Shampoos, Razors, Medium underwear for men and size 12 for ladies and socks for all. Please put in a bag and leave in or by the box at the back of Church (in the alcove)

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

19th November, 2023

Vigil Mass	5.30 pm	Peace in the Middle East
Sunday	9.00 am	Stan Stewart
	10.30 am	People of the Parish
Monday	9.30 am	Rosaleen Thomas' Intentions / Adrian Bird
Tuesday	12.00 pm	Requiem Mass for Diana Lovegrove
Wednesday	9.00 am	Mass at St Martin's School - All Welcome
Thursday	12.00 pm	Ukraine
Friday	9.30 am	Holy Souls

THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

26th November, 2023

Vigil Mass	5.30 pm	Peace in the Middle East
Sunday	9.00 am	Holy Souls
	10.30 am	People of the Parish

**Please note the change of time and location
of Mass on Wednesday this week**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be available in the Sacristy this Saturday, 18th November, from 10.00am - 10.30am or at any time on request.

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

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS

Dominic Antão, Catherine Belletty, Joe Bunton, 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.

Please pray for the repose of the souls and the consolation of the families of **Diana Lovegrove** (funeral this Tuesday) and **Lilian McLewee** whose funeral is on Wednesday 29th November



GOSPEL SHARE - Wednesdays at 7.00pm - please email Brian for the zoom codes dcn.brian.theobald@rcaob.org.uk

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Mary Lewis** who can be contacted at: sg.stmichael.sonningcommon@rcaob.org.uk

or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.