

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **AN INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE BY FATHER MICHAEL**

FINAL SESSION THIS WEDNESDAY 23RD JUNE

Sign up sheet now available at the back of Church

**CONFIRMATION MASS - SUNDAY 30TH JUNE AT 12.00PM**

**NEXT PPC MEETING JULY 9TH AT 7PM**

If you have any suggestions on the life of the parish please leave them in the silver box at the back of church or email the office: [stmichaels.rc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stmichaels.rc@hotmail.co.uk)

### **INTERNATIONAL MASS**

14th July 2024 at the 10:30 mass.

All parishioners, friends and families are a very welcome part of this service.

We would like to have any ideas you have to add to this year's international Mass

Please email the parish office or speak to Yvonne Mubanga.

**YOUTH MASS** EVERY 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**ECUMENICAL SAFARI SUPPER** Saturday, 6th July, 6.30pm.

This is a free event and a sign up sheet for catering numbers is now available at the back of Church.

If you can help with lifts on the night please let Krissie know.

### **THE WEEKEND OF THE 13TH OCTOBER**

**MASSES FOR THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

**20th OCTOBER** Special Mass for those having a significant Marriage Jubilee this year e.g. 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 years

## **Thought for the week**

**23rd June, 2024**

**12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Weather**



Well, what a summer we are having!!

I can well understand Job's unhappiness!

It isn't just the weather that gets him down, he can't help feeling that God is to blame for all his difficulties. Yet, somehow he also has an absolute belief that the same God's love for him is equally ever present and equally unshakeable.

In the passage from which our first reading is a part, in response to Job's complaining, God tells him that not only did he create the seas and the storms but he sets their bounds; he holds the snow and the hail yet causes the rain to fall making the wastelands green and fresh. The Lord holds all of creation in his hands and in the realisation of this immense power and purpose, beyond human comprehension, Job finds peace in God's love and overwhelming awesomeness.

In the same way, the disciples were terrified by the storm on the lake and were scared that their boat would be swamped. Their natural human fear and concern in the face of the power of nature to overwhelm them is very evident. When Jesus calms the storm, they too see evidence of that power and overwhelming awesomeness of God

So what does this mean for you and me?

When things are going wrong and everything seems to be against us, when friends seem distant or absent and we can't see a way out of our distress, God is still there! His awesome power, his absolute love and that overwhelming awesomeness that Job and the disciples experienced is there for each one of us.

All that is asked of us is faith.

A Parishioner



**We ask you please, to pray for the following people who need your prayers:**

Please pray for the repose of the soul and the consolation of the family of Ruth New whose funeral will be here at St Michael's on Thursday at 12.00pm

Please pray for Mary Edwards who has had hip surgery, after a fall at home, and is now recovering in The RBH.

Thank you for your continued prayers for Robert Brooks who is now undergoing chemotherapy.

Rosemary continues to need our prayers having undergone major surgery, as the recovery will be long and slow.

Please pray for Kim, Paul and Joe Bunton (Joe has severe learning difficulties ). Please pray that they receive the help they need.

Please continue to pray for Father Paul Rowan. Both cancer surgery and corneal graft are at last showing positive outcomes.

Please pray for Peter Halter's sister Jean who has macular degeneration and for her great grandson Rogan who had a bone marrow transplant - both continue to need our prayers

Please Pray for Maria McNamara's niece who is undergoing chemotherapy. Her name is Alison Flynn née McNamara.

Please pray for Reuben Muston aged 17 (Theresa and Mike Muston's grandson) who had Aplastic Anaemia. He still needs our prayers that he will continue to improve.

Please pray for Savanna Clark (aged 2 with eye trouble).

Please pray for Shirley Trollop.

Please pray for Isobel Messenger (Vera Bird's great granddaughter) she has now had her operation to improve her hearing.

Please pray for Simon Keen who is recovering from an operation.

Please pray for Mary Hagger.

Please pray for Vivien Kear (Krissie's friend) who has cancer.

Vera Bird has asked for our prayers for her Great, Great Grandson Harry.

Prayers please for Antonita's nephew Peppin who has long covid.

Please pray for the children and staff at St Martin's school



**Please also remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur at this time including;**

Rosena Faultner, Elizabeth Tonner,  
Petra Zambano de Roman, Joseph Cunningham,  
Norman Hutchinson, Frances Talkington,  
Babs Monaghan, Noel Moore, Marcus Fernandes,  
Rita Lavalette, Peter Perie, Joan Griffin,  
Patrick Joseph Treacy, Ray Samuels.