

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 Deacon Brian Theobald
Tel: 07484332580 or email the parish office.

This weekend we welcome **Fr Meehan** who will celebrate all the Masses.

A MASS OF THANKSGIVING

for Fr Michael Sharkey's pastoral care of our parish,
will be celebrated here, **next Sunday, 12th January** at 10.30am
Please save the date and do join us. There will be refreshments afterwards.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

with a service on **January 19th at 6pm** here at St Michael's
We hope you will join us.

We are also looking for helpers on the evening to set up
and serve refreshments.

Please contact Deacon Brian if you can help

FATHER MICHAEL's booklet **A POCKETFUL OF PRAYERS**—is now available again
The price is slightly increased at £3.50 as we had to incur delivery charges.

THE NEXT PARISH PASTORAL COMMITTEE MEETING

will be held this **Thursday, 9th January at 7pm**. If you would like anything
added to the agenda or discussed, please do telephone or email the office
Tel: 0118 972 3418, or pop your message into the silver box at the back of
Church (on the desk, under the noticeboards)

YEAR OF JUBILEE.

Following the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter last week, information about the
Year of Jubilee can be found at **www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk**.
If there are ways you think we should celebrate the Jubilee as a parish
please let the pastoral council know. (See above)

CHRISTMAS GIFT AMNESTY - DO YOU HAVE ANY UNWANTED GIFTS?

We are looking for a some prizes for a raffle we will be holding at the start of
February to help raise funds for a local charity.
Can you help? Please bring any prize donations to the Church office or give
them to Deacon Brian after any of the Masses

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY

5th January, 2025

Vigil Mass	5.30 pm	Holy Souls
Sunday	9.00 am	People of the Parish
	10.30 am	Maddy Sharman/Aldridge Family

Monday	9.30 am	Eucharistic Liturgy
	7.00 pm	Holy Hour

Tuesday	12.00 pm	Mass
Wednesday		No Liturgy
Thursday	9.30 am	Mass
Friday	9.30 am	Eucharistic Liturgy

THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

12th January, 2025

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

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be available in the
Sacristy before and after each of the weekend Masses.

The Sacrament of the Sick - on request, telephone 0118 972 3418

Please remember the sick in your prayers

Dominic Antão, Catherine Belletty, Robert Brooks, Liz Bouchier,
Joe Bunton, Savanna Clark, Mary Edwards, Mary Hagger,
Rogan Hodgson, Vivien Kear, Jennifer Learnmouth,
Fr. Paul Rowan, Dominic Sakrouge, Peppin Sanz.

May the Lord bring them healing and peace.

First Holy Communion 2025

If you would like your child (Year 3 and above) to receive their First Holy Communion
in June 2025 and he/she **does NOT** attend St Martin's Primary school, please email
Mrs Deborah West at dwest@smartins.reading.sch.uk as soon as possible

If you would like to be a prayer sponsor for one of the communicants, then
please do sign the sheet at the back of Church and Deacon Brian will be in
touch with you, with your child's name.

**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 by telephoning: 0121 230 6240
or emailing **safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk** if you have any concerns

Entrance antiphon:

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

Psalm response:

All the nations on earth shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia. We saw his star when it rose
and have come to worship the Lord. Alleluia.

The Apostles Creed is on page 456.

After the Bidding Prayers:

Hail Mary Full of grace, the Lord is with thee;
blessed art thou among women
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

To conclude the bidding prayers:

We give you thanks, Lord Jesus Christ,
for all the benefits you have gained for us,
for all the pains and insults you have borne for us.
Most merciful Redeemer, friend and brother,
may we know you more clearly,
love you more dearly
and follow you more nearly. Amen.
(St Richard of Chichester)

Communion Antiphon:

We have seen his star in the East,
and have come with gifts to adore the Lord

The newsletter is also available at www.saintmichaelsonningcommon.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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5th January, 2025
The Solemnity of the Epiphany



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