

Entrance antiphon:

After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended on him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered, *“This my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased.”*

Psalm response:

The Lord will bless his people with peace

Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! The heavens opened and the Father’s voice resounded, *“This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.”* Alleluia!

To follow 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:

Behold the One of whom John said:
I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

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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8th January, 2023

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord



WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S

If you are a visitor or new to the parish, we welcome you warmly. Masses will continue to be live streamed via You Tube from St Michael's. Mass 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.

Donation to the parish of £85: Goodwill offerings for rosary bracelets

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

If you would like your child (Year 3 and above) to receive their First Holy Communion in June 2023 and he/she does NOT attend St Martin's Primary school, please email Mrs Deborah West at dwest@stmartins.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.

PRAYERS AND MASSES FOR THE DEAD: If you would like a Mass to be celebrated for a deceased family member or friend, please fill out one of the envelopes at the back of church. An offering for the priest can be included in the envelope, but is not necessary. The deceased will then be included in the newsletter in the list of Masses for the week and be remembered at the desired Mass. Please give the envelope to Father Michael after Mass or post it into the presbytery at 18, Peppard Road.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Sunday 22nd January, 6.00pm at **St John the Baptist**, Kidmore End. Each year the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity runs from the 18th to the 25th of January. In 2023 the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is guided by the churches of Minneapolis and seeks to explore how the work of Christian unity can contribute to the promotion of racial justice across all levels of society. Do come and join the ecumenical service in Kidmore End.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, 3rd March 2022, 6:30pm
St John the Baptist Church, Kidmore End

Items for the Newsletter: Please send to stmichaels.rc@hotmail.co.uk marked Newsletter. Thank you

THIS WEEK'S MASSES

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord **8th January 2023**

Vigil Mass	5.30 pm	Dudley Vincent
Sunday	9.00 am	Marie Brennan RIP
	10.30 am	People of the Parish
Monday	9.30 am	Ukraine
Tuesday	12.00 pm	Bridget and Michael McDonnell RIP
Wednesday	9.00 am	Mass at St Martin's school - Maureen Chin dec'd
Thursday	12.00 pm	Holy Souls
Friday	9.30 am	Holy Souls

Second Sunday in Ordinary time **15th January 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 time and venue for Wednesday's Mass

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be available in the Sacristy this **Saturday 7th January 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 9723418

Please remember the sick in your prayers

Dominic Antão, Catherine Belletty, Peter Bussell, Savanna Clark, Jean Davies, Bob Ely, Cecilia Fung, Mary Haggar, Rogan Hodgson, Delia Hoban, Vivien Kear, Joh and Jennifer Learmonth, Louise Milledge, Reuben Muston, Veronica Parker, John Raynard, Elizabeth Rogers, Fr, Paul Rowan, Peppin Sanz, Beth Selwood, Shirley Trollop, Helen Williams.

May the Lord bring them healing and peace.

GOSPEL SHARE this Wednesday, 7pm, please contact ftheoald132@gmail.com for the zoom access.

WELCOMERS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR THE SATURDAY 5.30PM MASS

If you are able to help occasionally, please contact Deacon Brian of Shirley Rixon - tel. 01189723982 or email outcrush@tiscali.co.uk