

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE LED BY FATHER MICHAEL

THIS WEDNESDAY 12TH JUNE

AND EVERY WEDNESDAY IN JUNE AT 7PM IN THE HALL

Sign up sheets now available at the back of Church

NEXT PPC MEETINGS JUNE 11TH AND 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

FIRST COMMUNION MASS - SUNDAY 16TH JUNE AT 10.30AM

CONFIRMATION MASS - SUNDAY 30TH JUNE AT 12.00PM

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.

SEPTEMBER date to be confirmed

Special Mass for those having a significant

Marriage Jubilee this year e.g. 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 years

OCTOBER date tbc **MASSES FOR THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Thought for the week

9th June, 2024

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalm 26 invites us to believe that our Faith in God will remain strong as long as we stay true to Him.

“The Lord is the stronghold of my life - before whom shall I shrink.”

A stronghold is a place of security and safety and where can be safer than in God's arms? As David wrote this he knew he had no reason to fear because the Lord was on his side and keeping him safe. Life without fear is not possible without faith. Faith can call us to do God's will for our lives and stay true and strong to God's word. Our lives will not be reduced by fear and insecurity.

Our world today is so full of conflict and hatred in many countries, with fear being a constant companion for many. Even peaceful countries have problems which make people uneasy and fearful. I am sure we all feel helpless sometimes, but we must continue to pray for peace- after all we BELIEVE in Christ the Lord.

Let us try and *“rest in the Lord”* and *“seek His face”* in all aspects of our life and community. We need to show that Christ or Lord is our light, our inspiration, our brother and the source of our salvation and with Him we fear nothing. We love Christ - who can stand against that faith?

Let us pray that the people experiencing fear and hatred in the world, in Gaza, in Ukraine, in Nigeria, in Pakistan and China, as well as elsewhere, can find the courage of Christ's love and comfort.

A Taize chant says:

“Look to God - do not be afraid.

Lift up your voices; the Lord is near”

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 who has died.

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 get 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 continues to need our prayers following his bone marrow transplant,

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;

Sebastian Franciso, Fr Tony Milledge, Al Terry, Stanley Francis Robinson, Bobby Alston, Arthur Burns, Eric Wright, Seta Goode, Mrs A King, Bridget Mc Donnell, Stanley Smith, Ena Wilson, Elizabeth Allison, Janine Corie, Ron Theobald, Brian Bird, Michael and Julia Keogh, Lily Weegan, Marcelle Edwards, Bridie Burke, Mary Cunningham, Stan Goodchild.