



# WELCOME

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**7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**4<sup>th</sup> August 2019**

## ST MICHAEL'S HYMNS

Introit 612 Tell out my soul

Gradual (Projector) Our God is a great big God

Offertory 416 Lord the light of your love

Communion 663 This is my body,

495 O let the Son of God enfold you

Recessional (Projector) I am a city on the hill



## COLLECT

Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard  
seed,  
make it grow to your glory  
and the flourishing of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine  
and the source of life, ever giving  
himself that the world may live:  
may we so receive within ourselves  
the power of his death and passion  
that, in his saving cup, we may share his  
glory and be made perfect in his love;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for  
ever.



FOR OUR PRAYERS: Doreen, Jacob, Janet, Pauline



## NOTICES

### PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

The administrator is on leave from 12:30 **Friday 2 August** and back in the office on **Tuesday 27 August**.



### BEAR AID

The sale of teddy bears has provided 184 mosquito nets and water for 78 people. Many thanks to all who make and buy the bears!



### WOMEN'S FRIDAY GROUP

Geraldine Constable, the head teacher of St George's school, has invited the WFG to the school on **Friday 27 September** at 14:00. And our next meeting will be a social at 20:00 on **Friday 6 September** to organise the year ahead - do come!



### WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

#### 8 - 10 November 2019

The 33 places booked have been filled but if you have now decided you would like to join us, please see Pat Russell as extra places may be possible.

### ROCHESTER PILGRIMAGE

Our pilgrimage to Rochester will be on **Thursday 12 September**. We'll leave at 09:30, have Morning Prayer at 11:30 and attend Evensong before we return about 19:30. It's a lovely city with plenty to see so please do think about joining us! The cost is £15 and the sign up sheet is in the lobby.



### FOOD BANK PART ONE!

The Food Bank are in need of good as new men's jeans and jogger, trainers and T-shirts, as well as the usual items. Opening hours are: 10:00 - 12:00 on Wednesdays and 11.00 - 14.00 on Fridays



### FOOD BANK PART TWO!

After George's retirement we need someone to take our donated items to the Food Bank on Wednesdays or Fridays. Please speak to Richard if you can help.



### ST MICHAEL'S TODDLER GROUP

is now closed for the summer. We'll re-start on **Wednesday 18 September** at the usual time of 09:30!

## SAVANNAH GARDEN

It has been decided to enhance the Savannah Garden at St George's by planting some shrubs. If members of the congregation would like to donate money towards a shrub (price to be confirmed), please speak to Richard, wardens or Janet.



## TEA, CAKE & BIBLE

The next Tea Cake and Bible meeting after the summer will be 14:00 on **Wednesday 11 September** at 16 Ticehurst Rd.



## ST MICHAEL'S PATRONAL FESTIVAL

We will celebrate St Michael's Patronal Festival in a joint service on **Sunday 29 September** at St Michael's church. Bishop Christopher will be presiding and preaching at the service. Please put it into your diaries!



## DRAGON SLAYERS SEPTEMBER

Our first Autumn meeting will now be **Sunday 22 September** and NOT 29 September because of St Michael's patronal festival.

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

**Monday 5 August - Monday 26 August**

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

### **Monday 5 August**

St George's Lobby: 11-14:30 - Coffee shop

St George's Church: 18:45 - Meditation group

### **Tuesday 6 August**

St George's church: 09:30 - Morning Prayer

St George's church: 10:30 - Eucharist

### **Wednesday 7 August**

St George's Church: 19:00 - 21:00 New Life

### **Thursday 8 August**

Chapel: 18:30 - Eucharist

### **Friday 9 August**

St George's Lobby: 11-14:30 - Coffee shop

### **Saturday 10 August**

St George's church: 09:30 - Morning Prayer

St Michael church: 15:30 - Outreach

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Friday 6 September**

St George's hall: 20:00 Women's Friday

Group planning social

### **Thursday 12 September**

Pilgrimage to Rochester

### **Sunday 22 September**

St George's: 10:00 - Dragon Slayers!

### **Sunday 29 September**

St Michael's Patronal Festival joint service

### **8 - 10 November**

Walsingham pilgrimage

### **30 November**

St George's: Autumn Fair

OT: Hosea 11: 1 - 11

When Israel was a child, I loved him,  
and out of Egypt I called my son.

<sup>2</sup> The more I called them,  
the more they went from me;

they kept sacrificing to the Baals,  
and offering incense to idols.

<sup>3</sup> Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk,  
I took them up in my arms;  
but they did not know that I healed  
them.

<sup>4</sup> I led them with cords of human kindness,  
with bands of love.

I was to them like those  
who lift infants to their cheeks.

I bent down to them and fed them.

<sup>5</sup> They shall return to the land of Egypt,  
and Assyria shall be their king,  
because they have refused to return to  
me.

<sup>6</sup> The sword rages in their cities,  
it consumes their oracle-priests,  
and devours because of their schemes.

<sup>7</sup> My people are bent on turning away from  
me.

To the Most High they call,  
but he does not raise them up at all.

<sup>8</sup> How can I give you up, Ephraim?  
How can I hand you over, O Israel?

How can I make you like Admah?  
How can I treat you like Zeboiim?

My heart recoils within me;  
my compassion grows warm and tender.

<sup>9</sup> I will not execute my fierce anger;  
I will not again destroy Ephraim;  
for I am God and no mortal,  
the Holy One in your midst,

and I will not come in wrath.

<sup>10</sup> They shall go after the LORD,  
who roars like a lion;

when he roars,

his children shall come trembling from  
the west.

<sup>11</sup> They shall come trembling like birds  
from Egypt,  
and like doves from the land of Assyria;  
and I will return them to their homes,  
says the LORD.



GOSPEL: Luke 12: 13 - 21

<sup>13</sup> Someone in the crowd said to him,  
'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the  
family inheritance with me.' <sup>14</sup> But he said  
to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge  
or arbitrator over you?' <sup>15</sup> And he said to  
them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against  
all kinds of greed; for one's life does not  
consist in the abundance of possessions.'  
<sup>16</sup> Then he told them a parable: 'The land of  
a rich man produced abundantly. <sup>17</sup> And he  
thought to himself, "What should I do, for I  
have no place to store my crops?"' <sup>18</sup> Then  
he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my  
barns and build larger ones, and there I will  
store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I  
will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample  
goods laid up for many years; relax, eat,  
drink, be merry." <sup>20</sup> But God said to him,  
"You fool! This very night your life is being  
demanded of you. And the things you have  
prepared, whose will they be?" <sup>21</sup> So it is  
with those who store up treasures for  
themselves but are not rich towards God.'