

## Notices

### Fire escape

In case there is a need to evacuate church, please make yourself familiar with the fire exit routes before the service starts.

### Compline

There won't be a Compline service for the next three weeks. We will begin again on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October.

### Quiet Morning – 13<sup>th</sup> September

A last call if you would like to attend next Saturday. Please let Fr Alex know today.

### Dates for your diary

Harvest supper at St Michael & All Angels church on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

Christmas Fayre at St Michael & All Angels church on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

### MacMillan Coffee Morning - Sat 27<sup>th</sup> September 11.00am

If you can offer any help and/or cakes, please let Jane know.

### Saturday lunch club – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October

There won't be a lunch club in September because of the oversight area quiet morning. The next lunch club will be in October.

### Rota

If you normally help administer the chalice there is a copy of the service rota through until November in the Narthex. Please take a copy.

### Prayer list

Our prayer list has been refreshed. If you would like anyone to be included on the new list, please let either Jane, Faith or Fr Alex know.

### Creationtide 2025

The church annually sets aside a period of time which is dedicated to God as Creator and Sustainer of all life. This year Creationtide runs from the 1<sup>st</sup> September until the 4<sup>th</sup> October. There is a simple prayer activity available at the back of church to help us enter more fully into this important season. Please take one, stick it on your fridge ticking off the prayers as you complete them.

### **Advent course**

More details in due course but make a note of the dates of an Advent course exploring the theology/doctrine in some popular advent hymns. Each Monday starting on the 24<sup>th</sup> November and finishing on the 22<sup>nd</sup> December 10.30am (for around 75 minutes) at St Michael & All Angels church.

### **Harvest Festival**

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October and will be taking a collection of dried food products offered during the service to support the work of Birmingham City Mission's food bank.

## **Prayers across our churches**

### **Saint Benedict's church**

Lord, you work through all things for good. We hold before you our funding bid to conduct a feasibility study on the church hall. May the deliberations and outcome enable us to do your will more fully, serving more deeply those who live in Bordesley.

### **Saint Cyprian's church**

Thank you for the blessings that flow through the buildings that we have access to. Clear our sight and build up our will so that we may both see and commit to all that you would have happen with the Memorial Hall.

### **Saint Michael & All Angels church**

As Harvey Road pre-school return after a summer break, we pray for those children who will come to pre-school for the first time and for the new staff that they may find the change freeing and inspiring.

### **Saint Mary's church**

As The new initiative of Bishops Michael and Esther begin, may we all take time to pray and particular hold five people in those prayers, that we know need your loving support.

## God is love let heaven adore him

1 God is love: let heav'n adore Him;  
God is love: let earth rejoice;  
let creation sing before Him,  
and exalt Him with one voice.  
He who laid the earth's foundation,  
He who spread the heav'ns above,  
He who breathes through all creation:  
He is love, eternal love.

2 God is love; and He enfoldeth  
all the world in one embrace;  
with unfailing grasp He holdeth,  
ev'ry child of ev'ry race.  
And when human hearts are breaking  
under sorrow's iron rod,  
then they find that selfsame aching  
deep within the heart of God.

3 God is love, and though with blindness  
sin afflicts the human soul,  
God's eternal loving-kindness  
guides and heals and makes us whole.  
Sin and death and hell shall never  
o'er us final triumph gain;  
God is love, so love forever  
o'er the universe must reign.

Source: [Our Great Redeemer's Praise #87](#)