Notices

Holy Cross and St Matthew's Day 14th & 21st September

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 1st October.

Dates for your diary

MacMillian Coffee Morning 27th September 11am at St Michael and All Angels church. Harvest supper at St Michael & All Angels church on Saturday 4th October. Christmas Fayre at St Michael & All Angels church on Saturday 22nd November.

Prayer list

The prayer list has been refreshed. If you would like anyone to be included in the prayers, either new names or a continuation of who is on already, please let Fr Alex know.

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. Monday's 24th November to 22nd December 10.30am at St Michael & All Angels course.

PCC meeting – 28th September

An agenda for the meeting is available at the back of church for PCC members.

Harvest Festival - choral Mass

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival on **Sunday 5th October** at 11am 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. Our thanks go to Dennis for organising once again for a choral Mass.

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 1st September until the 4th 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.

Area Dean Rev Tony Rindl

We welcome and thank Tony on Saint Matthews day as he joins us to lead Mass.

Harvest supper and Beetle Drive

If you would like to attend the Harvest Supper and Bettle Drive at St Michael & All Angels church on Saturday 4th October at 5pm, please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of church by the **28th September at the LATEST**. Jacket potatoes will be available with a choice of three different fillings. You will need to indicate the filling that you would like on the sheet to ensure that St Michael's caters properly. As there won't be a dessert you will need to bring your own along with any drinks that you would like (there will be tea, coffee and squash).

Rota and Readings - Saint Matthew

LeadRev Tony RindlNumbers 21: 4-9ServerDoreenPsalm 22: 23-28IntercessionsLizPhillipians 2: 6-11Sides personRitaJohn 3: 13-17

Crucifer Sam

Prayers

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.

We pray for all those who are in need at this time, for

Peter Aldridge, Sue Cattell, Jenny Lother, Mayleen Harewood, John Fergus, Edgar Bailey, Laura Baker, Charlotte, David Mashikinya and Colin.

We remember those who have died in faith... along with those whose years mind is this week...

<u>WB 14th September</u> – Ivy Daley, Patricia Abbott, Lucy Fryer, Beatrice Dilling, Cecil Smyth, Beatrice Boyle, Leslie Stone, Elizabeth Thorpe, Thomas du Crow, Lester Nation, Louise Cooper

<u>WB 21st September</u> – Lawrence Ginnifer, Evan Rees, Mary Bill, John Nicholls, Raymond Hooper, Roy Bibbey, Frederick Bazen, Harold Bartram, Violet Roger