

Welcome to the Parish of Rushall and the Churches of St. Michael the Archangel and Christ the King

Sunday 9th November is Remembrance Sunday Services this week

Sunday Remembrance Sunday	9 th	8am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		9am	Holy Communion	Christ the King
		10.30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		11.50am	Act of Remembrance	Rushall Hub
		6.30pm	Evening Prayer	St. Michael's
Monday	10 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Tuesday	11 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		9.30am	<u>No service today</u>	Christ the King
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday	12 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		10.15am	Funeral	Streetly
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Thursday	13 th	9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		10am	Drop In	St. Michael's
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Friday	14 th		No services	
Saturday	15 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Sunday Second Sunday before Advent	16 th	8am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		9am	Holy Communion	Christ the King
		10.30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		6.30pm	Evening Prayer	St. Michael's

Services online

The Sunday 10.30am service at St. Michael's is streamed live on Facebook for those unable to attend in person.

Morning and Evening Prayer take place on Zoom on various days of the week: please contact us for the link if you wish to join us.

The 11am silence will take place at the War Memorial in St. Michael's Churchyard together with those inside church and online and also outside Rushall Hub on Sunday 9th November." We will remember them".

Readings for Holy Communion – 9th November

The Third Sunday before Advent

The Collect

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in
authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading

Job 19.23-27a

- ²³‘O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
²⁴O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock for ever!
²⁵For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
²⁶and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
²⁷whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

Psalm 17: 1-8

R: Incline your ear to me, O Lord, and listen to my words.

1 Hear my just cause, O Lord; consider my complaint;
listen to my prayer, which comes not from lying lips.

2 Let my vindication come forth from your presence;
let your eyes behold what is right. **R**

3 Weigh my heart, examine me by night,
refine me, and you will find no impurity in me.

4 My mouth does not trespass for earthly rewards;
I have heeded the words of your lips. **R**

5 My footsteps hold fast in the ways of your commandments;
my feet have not stumbled in your paths.

6 I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me;
incline your ear to me, and listen to my words. **R**

7 Show me your marvellous loving-kindness,
O Saviour of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them. **R**

8 Keep me as the apple of your eye;
hide me under the shadow of your wings. **R**

Second Reading

2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-17

¹As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, ²not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. ³Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. ⁴He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. ⁵Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

¹³But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. ¹⁴For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

¹⁶Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, ¹⁷comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven.

Alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 20.27-38

²⁷Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus, and asked him a question, ²⁸‘Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; ³⁰then the second ³¹and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. ³²Finally the woman also died. ³³In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.’

³⁴Jesus said to them, ‘Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; ³⁵but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. ³⁶Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. ³⁷And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. ³⁸Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.’

Prayer of preparation

Look upon us in mercy not in judgement;
draw us from hatred to love;
make the frailty of our praise
a dwelling place for your glory.

Post Communion Prayer

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Readings for Evening Prayer

Psalm 40: 1-12

R: Let all who seek you rejoice in you and be glad.

1 I waited patiently for the Lord;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.

2 He brought me out of the roaring pit,
out of the mire and clay;
he set my feet upon a rock and made my footing sure. **R**

3 He has put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God;
many shall see and fear
and put their trust in the Lord.

4 Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,
who does not turn to the proud that follow a lie. **R**

5 Great are the wonders you have done, O Lord my God.
How great your designs for us!
There is none that can be compared with you.

6 If I were to proclaim them and tell of them
they would be more than I am able to express. **R**

7 Sacrifice and offering you do not desire
but my ears you have opened;

8 Burnt offering and sacrifice for sin you have not required,
then said I: 'Lo, I come. **R**

9 'In the scroll of the book it is written of me
that I should do your will, O my God;
I delight to do it: your law is within my heart.'

10 I have declared your righteousness in the great congregation;
behold, I did not restrain my lips;
and that, O Lord, you know. **R**

11 Your righteousness I have not hidden in my heart;
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;
I have not concealed your loving-kindness and truth
from the great congregation.

12 Do not withhold your compassion from me, O Lord;
let your love and your faithfulness always preserve me. **R**

First Reading

1 Kings 3.1-15

¹Solomon made a marriage alliance with Pharaoh king of Egypt; he took Pharaoh's daughter and brought her into the city of David, until he had finished building his own house and the house of the LORD and the wall around Jerusalem. ²The people were sacrificing at the high places, however, because no house had yet been built for the name of the LORD.

³Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. ⁴The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt-offerings on that altar. ⁵At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, 'Ask what I should give you.' ⁶And Solomon said, 'You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. ⁷And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. ⁸And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. ⁹Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?'

¹⁰It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. ¹¹God said to him, 'Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, ¹²I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. ¹³I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honour all your life; no other king shall compare with you. ¹⁴If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life.'

¹⁵Then Solomon awoke; it had been a dream. He came to Jerusalem, where he stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. He offered up burnt-offerings and offerings of well-being, and provided a feast for all his servants.

Second Reading *Romans 8.31-39*

³¹What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?

³²He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

³⁵Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶As it is written,

‘For your sake we are being killed all day long;
we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.’

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

³⁸For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, ³⁹nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Christmas Fair takes place on Saturday 22nd
November.

List for volunteers at the back of church.

**Christmas Draw tickets
now at the back of
church!**

**Our church funds need
replenishing after the
current restoration
works – every ticket sold
helps!**

Christmas in Rushall.

Sunday 14th December: 4pm Christingle Service

Sunday 21st December: 4pm Carols by Candlelight

Christmas Eve: 11.30pm Midnight Mass

Christmas Day: 8am Holy Communion

9am Holy Communion at Christ the King

Coming up soon:

Sunday	16 th	8am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
Second Sunday		9am	Holy Communion	Christ the King
Before Advent		10.30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		6.30pm	Evening Prayer	St. Michael's
Monday	17 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Tuesday	18 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		9.30am	Holy Communion	Christ the King
		10am	Drop In	Christ the King
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday	19 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Thursday	20 th	9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		10am	Drop In	St. Michael's
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Friday	21 st		No services	
Saturday	22 nd	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		11am	CHRISTMAS FAYRE	
		6pm	Evening Prayer	St. Michael's
Sunday	23 rd	8am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
Christ the King		9am	Holy Communion	Christ the King
		10.30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		6.30pm	Evening Prayer	St. Michael's

Church Hall Bookings

Please ring Gill on 01922 624583.