

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

Sunday 4th October – Harvest Festival Services this week

Harvest Festival After Trinity	4 th	8am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		9am	Holy Communion	Christ the King
		10.30am	Seeker Service	St. Michael's
		6.30pm	BCP Evensong	St. Michael's
		7.30pm	Harvest Supper	St. Michael's
Monday	5 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		2.30pm	Eco Committee	tbc
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Tuesday <i>William Tyndale 1536</i>	6 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		10am	Holy Communion	Christ the King
		10.30am	Drop In	Christ the King
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday	7 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Thursday	8 th	9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		10am	Drop In	St. Michael's
		2.15pm	Visiting Bellringers	St. Michael's
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Friday	9 th		No services	
Saturday	10 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		12 noon	Drop In Lunch	Christ the King
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Nineteenth Sunday After Trinity	11 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.

Then shall the earth bring forth her increase,
and God, our own God, will bless us. *Psalm 67.6*

Readings for Holy Communion – 6th September

The Collect

Eternal God,
you crown the year with your goodness
and you give us the fruits of the earth in their
season:
grant that we may use them to your glory,
for the relief of those in need and for our own
well-being;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

First Reading *2 Corinthians 9: 6-end*

⁶The point is this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. ⁷Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ⁹As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor;

his righteousness endures for ever.'

He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; ¹²for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God. ¹³Through the testing of this ministry you glorify God by your obedience to the confession of the gospel of Christ and by the generosity of your sharing with them and with all others, ¹⁴while they long for you and pray for you because of the surpassing grace of God that he has given you. ¹⁵Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

Lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are
ripe for harvesting.

Gather the fruit for eternal life. **Alleluia.**

Gospel

Luke 12: 16-30

¹⁶Jesus told the people a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly.

¹⁷And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my

crops?" ¹⁸Then 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. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry."

²⁰But 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?" ²¹So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

²²He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. ²³For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. ²⁴Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor

reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how

much more value are you than the birds! ²⁵And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? ²⁶If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? ²⁷Consider the lilies, how they grow: they

neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. ²⁸But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you

of little faith! ²⁹And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. ³⁰For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them.'

Prayer of preparation

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation;

you bring forth bread from the
earth.

Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all
creation;

you create the fruit of the vine.

Blessed be God for ever.

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of the harvest,

with joy we have offered thanksgiving for
your love in creation

and have shared in the bread and wine of
the kingdom:

by your grace plant within us a reverence
for all that you give us

and make us generous and wise stewards
of the good things we enjoy;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings for Evening Prayer

Psalm 65

Thou, O God, art praised in Sion : and unto thee shall the vow be performed in Jerusalem.

2 Thou that hearest the prayer : unto thee shall all flesh come.

3 My misdeeds prevail against me : O be thou merciful unto our sins.

4 Blessed is the man whom thou choolest, and receivest unto thee : he shall dwell in thy court, and shall be satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

5 Thou shalt shew us wonderful things in thy righteousness, O God of our salvation : thou that art the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of them that remain in the broad sea.

6 Who in his strength setteth fast the mountains: and is girded about with power.

7 Who stilleth the raging of the sea : and the noise of his waves, and the madness of the people.

8 They also that dwell in the uttermost parts of the earth shall be afraid at thy tokens : thou that makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to praise thee.

9 Thou visitest the earth, and blessest it : thou makest it very plenteous.

10 The river of God is full of water : thou preparest their corn, for so thou providest for the earth.

11 Thou waterest her furrows, thou sendest rain into the little valleys thereof : thou makest it soft with the drops of rain, and blessest the increase of it.

12 Thou crownest the year with thy goodness : and thy clouds drop fatness.

13 They shall drop upon the dwellings of the wilderness : and the little hills shall rejoice on every side.

14 The folds shall be full of sheep : the valleys also shall stand so thick with corn, that they shall laugh and sing.

First Reading

Joel 2: 21-27

²¹Do not fear, O soil;

be glad and rejoice,

for the LORD has done great things!

²²Do not fear, you animals of the field,

for the pastures of the wilderness are green;

the tree bears its fruit,

the fig tree and vine give their full yield.

²³O children of Zion, be glad
and rejoice in the LORD your God;
for he has given the early rain for your vindication,
he has poured down for you abundant rain,
the early and the later rain, as before.

²⁴The threshing-floors shall be full of grain,
the vats shall overflow with wine and oil.

²⁵I will repay you for the years
that the swarming locust has eaten,
the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter,
my great army, which I sent against you.

²⁶You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied,
and praise the name of the LORD your God,
who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame.

²⁷You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel,
and that I, the LORD, am your God and there is no other.
And my people shall never again
be put to shame.

Second Reading *1 Timothy 6: 6-10*

⁶There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; ⁷for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; ⁸but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

The summer is usually a quiet time but there are things to look forward to later in the year.

1st November: Memorial Service with refreshments

21st November: Christmas Fayre

5th December: Christmas Draw

13th December: Christingle Service

20th December: Candlelit Carol Service

24th December: Midnight Mass

Welcome back to Christ the King!

Saturday Lunch

Saturday 10th October 2026

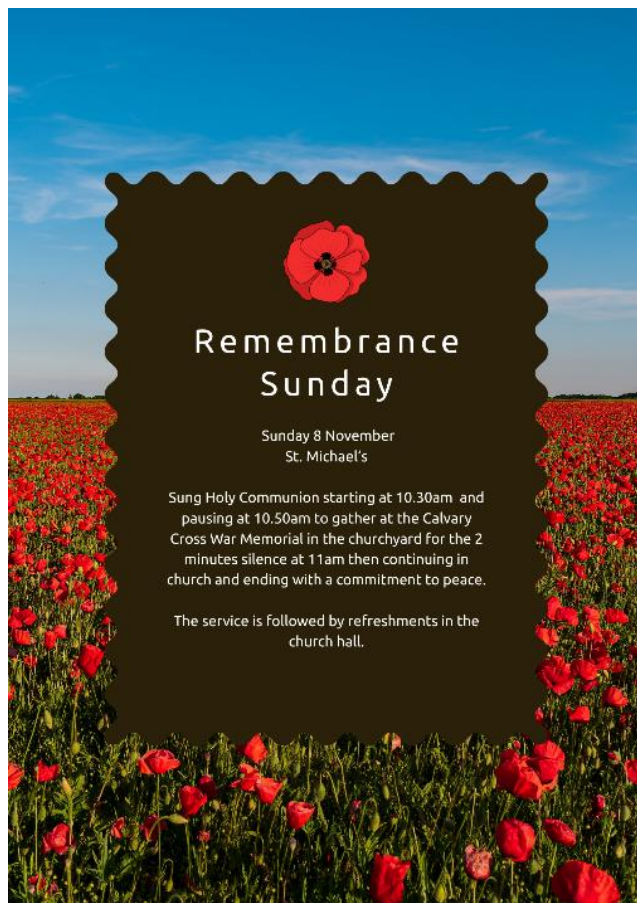
12pm-2pm

Homemade soup

Everyone is welcome.

All we ask is a donation towards the food





Remembrance Sunday

Community Gathering

10.50am
Sunday
8th November

At the memorial stone
outside Rushall Hub
(The old Rushall Library)



*Please join neighbours and friends
as we gather in remembrance*

Annual Memorial Service Candles of Remembrance



A time to remember loved ones

6.30pm Sunday 1st November
Followed by refreshments
St. Michael's

Christmas Fayre



Saturday 21st November
11am -1pm
St. Michael's Church and
Hall

Coming up soon:

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		10.30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		6.30pm	Evening Prayer	St. Michael's
Monday	12 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
Tuesday	13 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday	14 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Thursday	15 th	9.30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's
		10am	Drop In	St. Michael's
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Friday	16 th		No services	
Saturday	17 th	8am	Morning Prayer	Zoom
		6pm	Evening Prayer	Zoom
Luke the Evangelist	18 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

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