

Morning Service – Sunday March 21st 2021

St Michael's Blundellsands

Gift Day



Hymn: God is working his purpose out.

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Welcome and Notices

Psalm 24

The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it;
for he founded it on the seas
and established it on the waters.

**Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD?
Who may stand in his holy place?**

The one who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not trust in an idol
or swear by a false god.
They will receive blessing from the LORD
and vindication from God their Saviour.
Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek your face, God of Jacob.

Lift up your heads, you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The LORD strong and mighty,
the LORD mighty in battle.
Lift up your heads, you gates;
lift them up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is he, this King of glory?

The LORD Almighty—
he is the King of glory.
We meet in the presence of God
who knows our needs,
hears our cries,
feels our pain,
and heals our wounds.

**O Lord of hosts,
purify our hearts
that the king of glory may come in,
Your Son Jesus our redeemer.**

Absolution

May God who loved the world so much
that he sent his Son to be our Saviour
forgive us our sins
and make us holy to serve him in the world,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Interview: with Jan Owen

Renovations to St Michael's Community Hall

Reading: Joshua 3v14-17 Read by Clare

¹⁴ So when the people broke camp to cross the Jordan, the priests carrying the ark of the covenant went ahead of them. ¹⁵ Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest. Yet as soon as the priests who carried the ark reached the Jordan and their feet touched the water's edge, ¹⁶ the water from upstream stopped flowing. It piled up in a heap a great distance away, at a town called Adam in the vicinity of Zarethan, while the water flowing down to the Sea of the Arabah (that is, the Dead Sea) was completely cut off. So the people crossed over opposite

Jericho. ¹⁷ The priests who carried the ark of the covenant of the LORD stopped in the middle of the Jordan and stood on dry ground, while all Israel passed by until the whole nation had completed the crossing on dry ground.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

Talk 1: By Neil

Song: Rejoice the Lord is King

Prayers: Written by Brian

All that we are, all that we do
All that we ever have, we offer Lord to you.

On this Gift Day let us look back with our thanks,
our love and our gratitude for those who built and financed our Church Community Hall.
The hall was dedicated in 1961 by Bishop Martin and the final cost, £24,000, was raised by 1969.
(Equivalent to £450,000 today). We thank you Lord.

At St Michaels, we serve our community by providing use of our hall to so
many different groups.

They, in turn, support our Church financially.

We pray for the leaders of these groups and ask that they may continue to support
us and provide the activities needed for the community.

Our hall is the perfect venue for us to celebrate together,
to break bread, make good memories and exchange ideas on building the future.
The hall now needs refurbishment and we pray that we may, together,
be able to raise the funds required for ourselves, our community and for future generations.

The life that we have is all that we have,
And all that we have is yours.
The love that we have is all that we have,
And all that we have is yours.

Amen.

We say together the Lord's Prayer:

Our father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation: but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, For ever and ever.

Amen.

Talk 2: By Neil

1 Chronicles 29v10-12 records King David's prayer when all the gifts for the building of the temple had been handed in.

David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly, saying,
**“Praise be to you, LORD, the God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.
Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power
and the glory and the majesty and the splendour,
for everything in heaven and earth is yours.”**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace and the blessing of
God Almighty, Father Son and Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always
Amen.

Hymn: To God be the Glory

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