

What's happening this week at St Michael & St George's Church and around the area?

Today

11.00 - 12.30 - Parish Eucharist for Candlemass (the 5th Sunday before Lent)

This week

Monday 11am —Felix Food with the Community Champions at Our Lady of Fatima

Tuesday Bingo - will restart on 12th February

Saturday 11am Fitness run round Wormholt Park, meet at the Flagpole

Looking ahead:-

Next Sunday 10th February - 11.00 - 12.30 - **Parish Eucharist** for the 4th Sunday before Lent
There will be a meeting of the Church Committee (PCC) following the service.

Thursday 14th February 10.am Coffee morning— understanding Universal Credit followed by soup lunch and Film Club

3rd February
2019

The White City Rainbow

Candlemass



Today's Bible reading - Also on our Facebook page

First Reading The Book of the Prophet Malachi
Chapter 3: verses 1 – 5
Page 692 at the front of the bible

Second Reading The letter to the Hebrews
Chapter 2: verses 14—end
Page 170—1 at the back of the bible

A beginner's guide to Christian Spirituality - Saturday 9th February 2 - 4.30pm,
St Paul's Cathedral.

What is Christian Spirituality? It is experiencing the transformative power of God's love, and living this out. explore the Anglican tradition, deeply rooted in the sense of place, the beauty of language and the poetic tradition. Tickets cost £15, bursaries are available, please speak with Fr Ben.

Would you like to join our rotas to read in church, lead the prayers or to be a steward?

Do you know anyone who needs a visit? Please speak to Fr Ben

Gospel Reading The Gospel according to St. Luke Chapter 2: 22—40

Jesus Is Presented in the Temple

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.'

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace,
according to your word;
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles
and for glory to your people Israel.'

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband for seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

The Return to Nazareth

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

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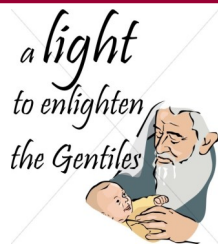
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Today's Collect

Almighty and ever-living God,
 clothed in majesty,
 whose beloved Son
 was this day presented in the Temple,
 in substance of our flesh:
 grant that we may be presented to
 you
 with pure and clean hearts,
 by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who is alive and reigns
 with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.



Post Communion Prayer

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna,
 who lived to welcome the Messiah:
 may we, who have received these gifts beyond words,
 prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes
 to bring us to eternal life;
 for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
 Amen.



“Cheap grace is the grace we bestow on ourselves. Cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, Communion without confession... Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate.”

— Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Dietrich Bonhoeffer was a German Lutheran pastor and theologian. He was also a participant in the German Resistance movement against Nazism, a founding member of the Confessing Church. His involvement in plans by members of the Abwehr (the German Military Intelligence Office) to assassinate Adolf Hitler resulted in his arrest in April 1943 and his subsequent execution by hanging in April 1945, shortly before the war's end. His view of Christianity's role in the secular world has become very influential.

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NOTICE



THE SPIRIT IS UPON ME

Confirmation Classes

Confirmation is the next step in the Christian life when you are ready to learn and understand more about our faith, and to make an adult promise to be a Christian.

So are you ready to be confirmed?

Classes for adults and young people over the age of 12 years, beginning this month

The Confirmation service will be on Saturday 20th April at 6pm in St Paul's Cathedral.

Please speak to Fr Ben if you want to know more.

White City Flicks Thursday Film Club—1pm

14th February: Legally Blonde

14th March: Cool Runnings

Join our running group!

Do you fancy getting fit in 2019? Jog with our fitness group on Saturday mornings in Wormholt park—for one or two laps—between 11am and 12 noon in the park.. Meet at the flagpole.



A meditation for our times

Everything Has Its Time

(The book of Ecclesiastes chapter 3 verses 1—8)

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:
 a time to be born, and a time to die;
 a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
 a time to kill, and a time to heal;
 a time to break down, and a time to build up;
 a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
 a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
 a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
 a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
 a time to seek, and a time to lose;
 a time to keep, and a time to throw away;
 a time to tear, and a time to sew;
 a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
 a time to love, and a time to hate;
 a time for war, and a time for peace.

The Fruit of the Spirit

(the letter to the Galatians chapter 5)

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control... There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another.

Today's rota

Readings	Veronica
Intercessions	Sherri
Stewards	David & Latrell
Chalice	Steve and Helen

Next Sunday's rota

Readings	Sherri
Intercessions	Fr Ben
Stewards	Elizabeth A & Veronica
Chalice	Elizabeth & Mr Johnson

Fair Trade Fortnight is from 25th February—10th March 2019.

We are a Fair Trade church, using Fair Trade products



Join us for coffee or tea after the service



St Michael and St George ten years as a Fair Trade Church

United in the sacraments, word and prayer



For those in any kind of need at the moment;

Comfort Dwomoah, Vita Williams, Mr Johnson, Fedora Stafford, Alice Harris, Bessie Peters, Alexandrina Matthews, Denis Noel, Connie Warren, Julian Greene.

For those who have recently been in hospital:

Linda Strong, Stevenson Phillips, Christine Carey, Fred Sackey, Denzil Brown.
 Ron Brown.



Blessed are those who have died in the faith of Christ:

Paulina McLeod, Ashley Bullard (late of Mitchell House), Marcus Hewett.

Anniversary: our names are written in heaven.

Colin Carey, Robert Osborne.

Please let the Fr Ben know if you would like someone to be remembered in our prayer list.



The Christian Healing Mission in Hammer-smith has drop-ins for prayer every Tuesday from 11-12.30 and Thursday 14.15 - 15.45. www.healingmission.org

Next Sunday's readings



The 4th Sunday before Lent

Isaiah ch.6 v. 1—8
 I Corinthians ch.15 v. 1—11