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

### **Today**

We say farewell to Fr Bob and Sylvie after the service

### **This week**

**Monday** I Iam —Felix Food with the Community Champions at Our Lady of Fatima Tuesday Bingo - will restart on 12th February

Friday — 10am Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins—opening prayer at Our Lady of Fatima, Saturday 10.15 am Unity Prayers at St Michael and St George's Church.

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

### Looking ahead:-

Next Sunday 20th January - 11.00 - 12.30 - All-Age Eucharist

for the 3rd Sunday of Epiphany with Holy Baptism

Monday 21st 10.15am Unity Prayers at St Michael and St George

Tuesday 22nd 10.15am Unity Prayers at Our Lady of Fatima Church

Wednesday 23rd 10.15am Unity Prayers at St Michael and St George

Thursday 24th 10.15am Unity prayers at Our Lady of Fatima

Friday 25th 10.15am Unity Prayers at St Michael and St George

**Friday 25th January** Ceilidh Scottish folk dance evening, on Burns Night and at the end of the Unity week. Any offers of help to Michael our musician please—more details next week.

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

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# **Today's Collect**

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit:

grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children:

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.

### **Post Communion**

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.





# The White City Rainbow

13th January 2019
The Baptism of Christ

Today we welcome Fr Bob Mayo and Sylvie to their farewell service with us, and we wish them well for their future.

Today's Bible readings - Also on our Facebook page

First Reading The Book of the prophet Isaiah

Chapter 43 : I – 7

Page 520 at the front of the bible

Second Reading The Acts of the Apostles

Chapter 8: 14—17

Page 96 at the back of the bible

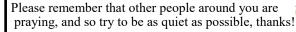
Gospel Reading Gospel according to St. Luke

Chapter 3: 15 –17, 21—22

The Baptism of Jesus

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'









# Justice and only justice you shall pursue.

(Deuteronomy 16:18-20)

### What is the week of Prayer for Christian Unity?

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an international Christian ecumenical observance kept annually between January 18 and January 25. It is an octave, that is, an observance lasting eight days.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began in 1908 as the Octave of Christian Unity, and focused on prayer for church unity. The dates of the week were proposed by Father Paul Wattson. cofounder of the Graymoor Franciscan Friars, who are an Anglican religious community in New York.. He conceived of the week beginning on the Feast of the Confession of Peter, on January 18, and concluding with the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul on January 25.

The theme for the 2019 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity comes to us from Indonesia: "Justice.

and only justice, you shall pursue" (Deuteronomy 16:18-20).

This year's theme calls us to move from shared praver to shared action. Drawing on the traditional values of Bhineka Tunggal Ika (Unity in Diversity) and gotong royong (living in solidarity and by collaboration). Indonesian Christians invite us to be a united witness. and an agent of Christ's healing grace in a broken



Thank you for supporting our Christingle and Christmas charities, we have made the following donations

commitments to justice, equality, and unity.

The Children's Society: £58.81.

Shelter: £257.00.

Thursday Film Club 14th February: Legally Blonde

14th March: Jackie

# 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 prayer for Christian Unity

At least once a year, Christians are reminded of Jesus' prayer for his disciples that "they may be one so that the world may believe" (see John 17.21).

Eternal Father.

we praise you for sending your Son to be one of us and to save us. Look upon your people with mercy. for we are divided in so many ways. and give us the Spirit of Jesus to make us one in love.

We ask this gift, loving Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Today is Fr Bob's last Service with us, we wish him and Sylvie well for the future, Fr Bob's ministry will be as Chaplain in Rochester prison. Many thanks, Fr Bob., for all the inspiration you've given over the last thirteen years.



### United in the sacraments. word and prayer



## For our 'at home' friends unable to attend church at the moment:

Comfort Dwomoah, Vita Williams, Mr Iohnson, Fedora Stafford, Alice Harris, Bessie Peters, Fred Sackey, Alexandrina Matthews. Denis Noel. Connie Warren.

For those who have recently been in hospital:

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

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

Paulina McLeod, Ashley Bullard (late of Mitchell House), Revd. Gill Toogood, Colin Brown, Faisal Plummer, Esmine Shaw.

### Anniversary: our names are written in heaven.

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

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

# Today's rota

Readings Queen Intercessions Veronica Stewarding Latrell, Elizabeth A Chalice Elizabeth and Mr John

### Next Sunday's rota

Readings Sherri Intercessions Helen Stewarding Veronica and Alfred Chalice Vita and Sherri

#### Next Sunday's readings



The 3rd Sunday of **Epiphany All Age** Holy Baptism

John 2; I-II

Since 2008 we have been a Fair Trade church, serving Fair Trade communion wine, tea and coffee bought at a fair price from those who produce it.



# Join us for coffee or tea after the service

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