

The Parish of S Michael and All Angels. Abbey Wood.  
SUNDAY 6 September 2020

## THE TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 13 September 2020

## THE TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY 20 September 2020

## THE TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## OUR PARISH LIFE

**WELCOME.** We welcome you back to S Michaels this Sunday especially it is your first Sunday back or you are new to our congregation.

**COME TOGETHER  
ON SUNDAY.  
PARISH MASS  
10:00**

**THE AGNUS DEI.** The Agnus Dei (Lamb of God) at Mass, on these three Sundays will be sung to a choral setting by cantors. Please don't try and join in as congregational singing is not allowed. Unfortunately, the Service Sheets were prepared before this was confirmed and they are now saved in format which cannot be changed, The Agnus Dei is the ancient chant that covers the breaking of the consecrated bread and the commixture at mass.

**PRINTING SHEETS.** We expect you if possible, to print of the service sheet each week. Please try and do this

### THE KALANDER

Mon 7	Monday of week 23 in Ordinary Time
<b>Tue 8</b>	<b>THE BIRTHDAY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Feast</b>
Wed 9	Wednesday of week 23 in Ordinary Time
Thu 10	Thursday of week 23 in Ordinary Time
Fri 11	Friday of week 23 in Ordinary Time
Sat 12	The Most Holy Name of Mary
<b>Sun 13</b>	<b>24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
<b>Mon 14</b>	<b>THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS Feast</b>
Tue 15	Our Lady of Sorrows
Wed 16	Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
Thu 17	Thursday of week 24 in Ordinary Time
Fri 18	Friday of week 24 in Ordinary Time
Sat 19	Saint Januarius, Bishop, Martyr

if you can. This is to meet government recommendations regarding service sheets.

If you are unable to do this there are a small number of sheets available in church, but these are intended for new people and visitors.

***If you don't revive the sheets each week, then please send your email address to Fr David [dasherratt@aol.com](mailto:dasherratt@aol.com) and he will send them to you each week.***

You are of course also welcome to download them to your phone.

**CONFIRMATION.** We will begin preparing candidates for Confirmation in September, probably after mass on a Sunday Morning. If you would like to be confirmed please contact Fr David to have a chat about what is involved. The confirmation will be in S Michaels in October.

**BUILDERS.** The builders are giving us a new church! Please be very careful around the scaffolding and when they are at work. You must follow any safety advice or instructions, this will be especially the case if you come to church on a weekday. This week there has been some work on the windows from inside the church, we came into church on Wednesday to find the Eifel Tower had appeared, so please be careful if towers or equipment are still around on Sunday.

**PCC** Our Parochial Church Council has recognised that it is very unrepresentative of our congregation and needs some new people. **Could you stand for election to the PCC?** Have a pray and a think.

A reminder to the PCC that they are meeting on Tuesday 15 September. The meeting begins with mass at 19:00.

**OUR HALL** is now open for regular users, although it will be sometime before many of them return. We are not currently taking booking for occasional lets, such as parties etc. If you are using the hall, please follow the distancing and hygiene directions.

**LECTORS.** We have been asking for a few weeks if people would like to be a reader at Sunday Mass? You will have to read the First Reading, the Psalm with its response and the Second Reading. Then later in the mass you will read the biddings in the Intercessions. The readings and prayers will be sent to you. We have several new need lots of volunteers, but we could do with more.

**EVERYONES SAFETY.** We have reorganised our church layout to ensure Social Distancing. Please use the hand sanitisers provided, we encourage you to do this frequently, but please always do so every time that you enter or leave church and before you receive Holy Communion. The government have made it a **legal requirement for people to wear a Face Covering when in church.** We therefore encourage you to comply with this, the Police have the powers and responsibility to enforce this. Your attention is drawn to the government guidance on meeting people from outside your own household, this can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/meeting-people-from-outside-your-household-from-4-july>

There are restrictions on singing and music in church and we have had to make a number of changes to our worship. We hope to do this however in ways that will also enrich us in our worship. We are unable to have a Kids Zone or refreshments at the moment.

We only want people to come back to church when you feel happy to do so, it may be that some people may prefer a weekday mass instead of a Sunday for a while.

Obviously you should not come to Church if you have the symptoms of Covid 19 or have been in contact with someone who has, if you are in any doubt please contact NHS 111. You should also not come to church if you are required to quarantine after traveling.

**Once the mass has ended on a Sunday you should leave by the SE door. Please do not stand around chatting in church, as this increases risks. Please chat and get to know each other outside the door.**

**SEPTEMBER SAINTS.** An excellent resource is being produced by The Society and the Church Union each month, giving accounts of the Saints that we celebrate day by day in church, The September edition can be accessed at [https://www.churchunion.co.uk/uploads/Saints\\_of\\_the\\_Month\\_-\\_September\\_FINAL.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0MNjt917uHWSg1HY\\_MFI-2DX3de\\_VBEGh13eylbrKBirLu5SR6HsCAaGY](https://www.churchunion.co.uk/uploads/Saints_of_the_Month_-_September_FINAL.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0MNjt917uHWSg1HY_MFI-2DX3de_VBEGh13eylbrKBirLu5SR6HsCAaGY)  
It is well worth having a look.

**JUBILATE.** We begin our children's club - Jubilate again on Wednesday 9 September. *For the moment however we are unable to take new members due to Social Distancing etc. But we hope this will change soon.*

**OFFICES,** On Sunday 13 September we hope to begin to say Morning and Evening Prayer together on Sundays. Throughout the Lockdown and up to now they of course have been said daily by the clergy. Please download the service booklets to use.

**MORNING PRAYER** will be said at 09:30 – because the Lady Chapel lacks working lighting at the moment we will probably have to say it in the Nave. If you are not taking part please respect this.

**EVENING PRAYER** will be sung most Sundays at 18:30, as congregational singing is not allowed at the moment, the cantors will sing much of the office, please join in the said parts. This is not unlike the tradition in a monastic choir, where only half of the monks sing at any one time, the others being set free to pray while the others carry the office. At Evening Prayer the congregation are asked to sit in the Nave to enable Social Distancing.

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS.** This is a time of growing financial hardship for many, but regular giving is vital if we are to survive as a Parish. As in most shops we strongly discourage giving in cash, but a plate will be by the church door if you cannot give in other ways. If you would like to give by Internet banking, the details are **Sort Code 30-99-88, Account No 00160771,**

*If you use this sheet in church please take it home with you. If you would like to receive it each week please email Fr David.*  
[dasherratt@aol.com](mailto:dasherratt@aol.com)

**Account Name is PCC Saint Michael and All Angels Abbey Wood.** In the reference section please put your name followed by; 'Offering'. Thank you for your support.

*We can't currently accept cards, but we hope to be able to do this in the near future.*

**HELP OUR CHURCH.** When you shop on line why not do so via Easyfundraising and raise money when you do so for our Church. We get a free donation when you shop online. Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmichaelandallangelschurchabbeywoodhttps://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stmichaelandallangelschurchabbeywood>

**FR DAVID** is taking some leave this week. He hopes to be off from after mass today and will be back off leave next Sunday. Unfortunately he can't for the foreseeable future have any sort of holiday, but he does need a few days to deal with family and personal matters.

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