

The Parish of S Michael and All Angels. Abbey Wood.
SUNDAY 27 September 2020

THE EXTERNAL SOLEMNITY OF S MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS



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.

Today is a very special day as we are keeping our Patronal Festival of S. Michael and All the Angels. This is an extra special one as this Michelmas is Fr Derek's 25 Anniversary of Ordination as a Priest.

Our **Main Mass** today will be at **18:30**, please try to be there for our celebration.

Fr David will say an additional mass at 10am, if there are people in church, who can't come in the evening.

**COME TOGETHER
ON SUNDAY.
OUR PATRONAL MASS
18:30**

HARVEST GIFTS. The Manna Society to whom we have traditionally given our Harvest Gifts have worked with the homeless in South London. The gifts they receive from churches constitute most of the food that they give out each year, but as many churches are not open or have very reduced congregations, they have a serious shortfall at this time.

To meet distancing requirements and to mitigate risk, we will be unable to receive gifts during our Harvest Festival Mass as usual. A table has therefore been put in the South Aisle and over the next three Sundays we would ask you to place your gifts there. Only one person at a time should be at the table, please sanitise your hands before placing your gifts.

THE KALANDER

Mon 28	Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr	Mass 19:00
Tue 29	SAINTS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL ARCHANGELS Solemnity Mass 19:30	
Wed 30	Saint Jerome, Priest, Doctor	Mass 09:00
Thu 1	Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor	
Fri 2	The Holy Guardian Angels	
Sat 3	Saturday memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary	

The Manner Society require the following this year.

FOOD Tomatoes (Tinned) Disposable razors

Vegetables (Tinned) Toilet rolls Pasta Sauces Kitchen rolls

Rice Meat (Tinned)

Other Tinned Food Fish. Baked Beans, Hot Dogs, Corned Beef, Chopped ham, Luncheon meats, Stewed steak.

Non-Tinned Food Curry Sauces Pasta Spaghetti Cooking oil Biscuits

Men and Women's Clothing

Trainers, Underwear, Socks. Jeans. Shoes

PRINTING SHEETS. We expect you if possible, to print of the service sheet each week. Please try and do this 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 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 well under way renewing our church building! 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.

PCC Our Parochial Church Council Meets after mass on 29 September at 20:00 this week. If you are a member please try to be there. Please pray for them, as they have a very difficult task of trying to rebuild and direct our Parish at this time.

OUR LOUNGE and bar have been carefully arranged to meet the latest regulations on distancing and group sizes. Nobody is to move any of the tables or chairs.

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 Physical 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. You may only come to church in groups of up to six people, you must have any social interaction with those outside of your group. The Government guidance on this can be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-meeting-with-others-safely-social-distancing/coronavirus-covid-19-meeting-with-others-safely-social-distancing>. We advise you to check this regularly for any updates or changes,

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, even to people in your group, as this increases risks. Please greet and get to know each other when outside the door, this is also where the Clergy will be to greet you.

Please note that Government Advice and regulations change frequently, sometimes with little notice. We do our best to follow the latest guidance when it is published. Please bear with us in this difficult task and be aware that at any time we might have to change things to meet the guidance or regulations, it may not be possible to give warning of this.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS. This is a time of growing financial hardship and uncertainty for many of us, but regular giving is vital if we are to survive as a Parish. The PCC will be reviewing our financial situation at its

meeting this week. In accordance with safe practice 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, 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.

TEST AND TRACE. The NHS has introduced a Test and Trace system using a QR code. We have now, following the Church of England instructions, adopted this in our Church. We recommend that you download the App on to your phone, scan the code and enter your details whenever you come to church. The QR code is displayed at all of the church entrances.

Separate QR codes are displayed for the users of our Hall and the Social Club. These can be found at the Hall entrances and in the Club.

NB When Fr David tried to download the App earlier in the week it wasn't available, despite the requirement to display the notices, but he understands that it should be available by this weekend!

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.
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