



St Michael and All Angels Church, Colehill

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If you wish to book the Church Centre, add a notice or any other enquiry, please e-mail Catherine or leave a message on the office answer phone.

Sunday 2nd December

Advent Sunday

8am Holy Communion

9.30am All Age Eucharist

3.30 Christmas Event: Crafts and Market - Lighting of the Christmas Tree at 5pm followed by a Christmas Film in the Church

Monday 3rd December

2.00pm Pramacare Carol Service

7pm Silent Prayer

Tuesday 4th December

8am Morning Prayer

9.30 Church Wardens Meeting

Wednesday 5th December

8am Morning Prayer

10.30am MU Communion

12pm-1.30pm Centre Rendezvous

7pm Diocesan LPA Training

Thursday 6th December

8am Morning Prayer

7.30pm Colehill Community Choir

Friday 7th December

8am Morning Prayer

9.30-11.15 Cherubs

2pm Silent Prayer

7.15 Choir Practice

Saturday 8th December

10am Angie's Juke Box Coffee Morning

Sunday 9th December

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30 Parish Communion

4pm Christingle

ST. MICHAEL'S MONTHLY PRAYER DIARY

In addition to those items in the Prayer Diary, please pray this week:

For an end to violent knife crime affecting the young in our cities.

For those who died and those whose homes were destroyed in the fires in California.

For migrants on the US-Mexican border.

For the people of S. Sudan and our link deanery Karika.

For the UK and the difficulties over Brexit

For Bishop Designate Revd Dr Andrew Paul Rumsey and his family as he prepares to take up his post as Bishop of Ramsbury

For the coming Advent and Christmas season

For families experiencing hardship

For the Wimborne Foodbank

Jane/Paulette Rawson/Rod Chapman

holding St Michael's Cross

The sick & infirm & others in need:

Louise, Colin Smith, Samuel Thomas, Nedra G,

Diane, Enid Gordon, Joyce W, Peter Shickle,

Rebecca Jordon, Eric & Jackie Deung, Tom S,

Lindsay Wood, Janice Stones, & Anita.

RIP

Kim Jolly

PETITION FOR FACULTY- BOILERS

Please note that a public notice is now on display on the church door and in the church centre with respect to our application to replace the church boilers. Plans are available for inspection – if you have any queries please address them to James Westgate, 01202 842188. The good news is that we have been successful in obtaining a grant from the Erskine Mouton Trust for £12,000 towards the cost of the works, and we still have grant applications outstanding.

CHRISTMAS EVENT: 2ND DECEMBER FROM 3.30PM

We hope to see you at Christmas Event this afternoon for our Market and Crafts from 3.30pm. The lighting of the Christmas Tree will take place at 5pm, after which we will be showing a Christmas Film in the church, please stay and enjoy.

If you can stay to help set up after the services, it would be appreciated.

CHRISTMAS CARD CHALLENGE!

At the back of church there are Christmas Cards with our service details – please could you invite up to five people to any of our Christmas services (friends, relatives neighbours, people you know who used to come to church and might love to be invited back). Thank you **Christmas Services Poster** – should you be able to display a poster for the Christmas Services, please let Catherine know and she'll print one for you. stmichaels.pa.colehill@gmail.com

MOTHERS UNION ADVENT CALENDAR SERVICE

St. Mary's Church West Moors on **Thursday 6th December 6th at 2.30pm**

PARISH LUNCH: Thank you to everyone that supported the parish lunch. We raised £154 for Crisis at Christmas and £620 for Church Funds.

ANGELS AND STARS!

If you enjoyed making peace doves, you're going to love making these angels for Christmas. Kits available at the back of church. Also, we are looking for stars – any shape, size (up to 12" tall), number of points, regular ones, wonky ones, plain or decorated – we'd love them all please. Angels and stars to be white/silver or yellow/gold ONLY. Please hand your angels and stars in by Wednesday 12th December.

THE QUESTION

The Question is the Premier of the a new and exciting musical story composed by Ed Johnston, featuring synthesizers, choir and orchestra – performed by the children of St Michael's Middle School. **Wednesday 5th December at 7pm at Wimborne Minster.**

ANGIE'S CHRISTMAS JUKEBOX SING-ALONG COFFEE MORNING

Come along on **Saturday 8th December** in St Michael's Church Centre **9am to 12.30pm**
Buy a tune for £2 & Coffee Morning. In Aid of Church Funds and the Health and Wellbeing Programme. See Poster for more information

CHRISTMAS JOY: COLEHILL & FERNDOWN COMMUNITY CHOIR

An evening of festive music, including a special tribute to commemorate the centenary of the end of WWI. **Thursday 13th December 7.30pm at St Michael's Church.**
Tickets from Susan Davis 01202 8422311 or colehillcommunitychoir1@gmail.com

WIMBORNE GREENBELT: AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL EVENT

Join Wimborne's Greenbelt Annual Amnesty International Event from **4pm till 5.30pm at the back of the Minster church on Sunday 9th December. More information contact Rosemary Lunt at lunt@gmx.com or Sharen on 01202 693837**

THANK YOU for all your kind messages and loving prayers, which were most comforting to receive during the last few weeks. **Janice Stones**

WIMBORNE FOOD BANK: CHRISTMAS TREATS

The Food Bank would welcome any edible treats for us to be able to supplement the food parcels in the coming weeks. Chocolate, biscuits, puddings etc all appreciated. (No alcohol, fresh or homemade food please). Many thanks. Jill Beech 01202 882197

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

How about thse Advent you do a reverse advent calendar for Wimborne Food Bank. Each day add an item to the box and then donate it to them.

JOHN WEAVER'S NEW ADDRESS

St Anne's Court Care Home, 16A St Anthony's Road, Meyrick Park, Bournemouth BH2 6PD
Care Home Telephone: 01202 551208. **Visitors are welcome at anytime!**

Message from John: he and the family are very grateful for all your kindness and support around the time of Ann's funeral – he would have loved to have been able to respond individually to all your kind messages.

ADVANCE NOTICE:

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH VISION DAY AND PRAYER MEETINGS

On **Sunday 10th February**, we are holding a Vision day for **all members of the congregation** to join the PCC and Vicar in their review of the parish, (where we are); to discern together (what is God saying to us about its future) and to make plans for the time ahead (how we can respond to what we have discerned.)

In preparation for this day, there will be a series of **guided prayer meetings**, where we shall be praying for the future life of St. Michael's and asking God to help us understand what direction, as a parish, he wants us to take. These will be on **Friday mornings at 9am** on the following dates:- **11th January, 18th January, 25th January, 1st February & 8th February**. Please put these dates in your diary. More details to follow.

WE NEED YOU! MORE VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED TO LIGHTEN THE LOAD.

Church Cleaning Team: Join the Rota once every five weeks with a partner for light dusting, sweeping and hoovering. **Locking Up Team:** Join the Rota once every six weeks with a partner, unlocking in the morning and locking up at night.

Please sign up at the back of church or speak to Marjorie for more information.

DEADLINE WEEKLY NOTICES

The deadline for these is Thursday morning. Please either email stmichaels.pa.colehill@gmail.com with the subject "Church Notices", or if leaving a written message in the office, it helps if it is dated.

COLLECT

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Jeremiah 33.14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

I Thessalonians 3.9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Luke 21.25-36

'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.' Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: Jeremiah 33.14-16; I Thessalonians 3.9-13, Luke 21.25-36