



**Week beginning Sunday 27th December 2020**

8.30am Holy Communion Christ Church  
BCP

9.30am Family Service St Michael's  
with Sunday groups for children  
live-streamed, available through our website

Bible reading: Matthew 2:1-12  
Born a King

Our 9.30am service is broadcast on Flame CCR at 6pm Sunday evening on 1521m MW (and also on internet web site [www.flameradio.org](http://www.flameradio.org))

**Wednesday 30th December**

Please note there is **no** Holy Communion Service today.

**Week beginning Sunday 3rd January 2021**

8.30am Holy Communion Christ Church  
BCP

9.30am Family Service St Michael's  
with Sunday groups for children  
live-streamed, available through our website

Bible reading: 1 Peter 3:15  
Motto Verse.

## Morning Prayers

Our Morning Prayers will begin on Tuesday 5th January at 9.00am in the lower hall at Christ Church (subject to lockdown).

Pray for:

Monday	Please pray for our staff team as they spend time with their families, that they will be refreshed.
Tuesday	Please pray for God's protection over our National Health Service, that it won't become overwhelmed and overstretched as the pandemic continues.
Wednesday	Bring before God all those known to us who have lost loved ones this year. Please pray for Peter as he conducts his last funeral service today.
Thursday	As we look back on 2020 with all the challenges it has brought us, we praise God for His hand on our Parish, for the faithful work of Peter, Chris, John, Joanna, for retired clergy, our Wardens, Readers, Leaders, and all those behind the scenes who help connect our church family.
Friday	Please pray for Chris today as he takes on the responsibility of our Parish; please pray for Verity & Josiah, and for the changes ahead of them this year.
Saturday	We bring before God our new Incumbent, we pray that they would know God's clear call and leading to us at Christ Church and St Michael's, to be a teacher and shepherd for us here.

### Further news:

#### Church services

With the ever changing circumstances in which we find ourselves, it is very important to book in for **each service**, either via email or ring Cecelia in the office to book your place on 648 2404. Please do wrap up well when attending our services.

#### **2021 Covenant envelopes are available.**

In the belief that we shall be returning to normal services sometime in 2021, you may wish to have 2021 envelopes. They

will be delivered to you, so please, if you would like them, ring Bob Jarvis on 342 2143.

### **Looking for new opportunities to learn?**

Next term's Growth Group dates are scheduled for Wednesday 20th and Wednesday 27th January 2021, 10-11am via Zoom. We will be looking together at the topic of anxiety. If you are interested to find out more or have any questions, please email Joanna Hill (joannahill@barnston.info).

### **The Don Macardle Hardship Fund**

In response to an unprecedented loss of employment due to Covid19, the PCC have decided that a £12,750 portion of the Don Macardle £56,000 legacy to the church should be given away in hardship grants. This will be in amounts of £100 to a single person household and £150 to a family. The only criteria are that they must be one of the 15,000 people who live in our parish (or very borderline), be nominated by a church family member, and be in hardship.

The process starts with any member of our church family phoning 07436 714936 (the whole process uses this phone number, so please don't ring Cecelia in the office) and speaking to me in the first instance, giving the name of their nominee. There is a short, confidential and empathetic process where we speak directly with the person in need, but it does involve us complying with data protection requirements.

Bob Jarvis Treasurer

### **Parish Office**

The office will close at 1.00pm today (Christmas Eve) and reopen again on Monday 4th January 2021.