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22ND NOVEMBER 2026, SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

Psalm 29:1-11 (p.558), John 1:14-18 (p. 1063)

- 8:30am Christ Church Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10:30am Christ Church Service of the Word
- 10:30am St Michael's Holy Communion (CW)
- 7:00pm St Michael's Sunday@Seven
- *10:30am St Michael's Midweek Communion (Weds. 25th Nov.)*

Welcome to Christ Church & St Michael's

A warm welcome to our services today, we're glad to see you. We are a church family of everyday people, of all ages, sharing life as we follow Jesus and discover together the difference he makes in the present and for the future. Our aim is that Christ Church and St Michael's feel like a home from home, a church family where everyone finds a welcome. If you are visiting for the first time please note audio/visual assistance, crèche facilities and toilets can be accessed at all of our services, refreshments are served afterwards, if you can stay we'd be delighted to meet you. There's a lot going on, both on Sundays and throughout the week, some of our activities are listed overleaf, you can find out more by picking up a Term Card or visiting our website: **www.barnston.info**



We conclude our series on the Doctrine of God by considering his glory, the magnificent radiance of his infinite perfection, holiness, and eternal beauty. Glory describes the immense weight, worth, and majesty of God's unchanging character: his boundless love, absolute justice, wisdom, and sovereign power. Through all time, creation acts as a witness to the Creator's splendour, as the vast heavens, distant stars, and intricate rhythms of nature proclaim his handiwork (Psalm 19). However, God's glory is revealed most clearly in Jesus and his work of redemption. Through him, we are invited into bonds of grace in which we "are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory" (2 Cor. 3:18), reflecting his goodness to the honour of his name and our truest joy.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



Sunday@Seven
In our 'chat show' style format we will enjoy hearing the story of David Reed's life and faith, this Sunday, 22nd November, 7:00pm at St Michael's, followed by refreshments.

Little Tugs
Our toddler group continues on Monday 9:30-11:30am at St Michael's, for craft, play, story time, refreshments, etc.

Drop In
Drop in for a cuppa and a chat, connect with our local community. St Michael's, Tuesday, mornings between 9:30am and 12:30pm.

Messy Church
This month's Messy Church will take place on Tuesday 24th November; 3:30-5:30pm at St Michael's. Come as a family for lots of fun, craft, games, story, includes your tea, invite a friend along.

Advent Quiz Night
We launch the Advent season with our quiz and curry night (alternative available), a great evening of fellowship and fun, and a great opportunity to invite a friend along. Friday 27th November, 6:30pm at St Michael's, sign up at the back of church.

Mothers Union Coffee Morning
The MU will be hosting a coffee morning at St Michael's on Saturday 28th November, 10am-12Noon. All welcome.

Prayer Meeting
We gather for our monthly prayer meeting on Thursday 3rd December 7:30-8:30pm at St Michael's. A great time of fellowship as we pray ahead of the Christmas period for the various events and opportunities the season affords. Refreshments from 7:15pm.

Funeral Notice
The funeral service for Deane Bakewell will be held Monday 7th December, 1:00pm at Christ Church, followed by the interment at Landican at 2:00pm.

Hope Foundation, Liverpool
Alison and Alan Golightly will be serving with the Hope Foundation on Christmas Day, providing lunch for those in the city without shelter. Could you help by donating a small wrapped gift? Please mark if it's for female or male. Drop off boxes at the back of church.

Advent Reading
We have a new daily devotional available to help us contemplate the arrivals of Jesus this Advent: 'The Indescribable Gift' by Andrew Davis is packed full of reflections to prepare our hearts and minds to treasure Jesus and rejoice in his incarnation.

Also available: 'Repeat the sounding joy' by Christopher Ash reflects on the Nativity as recorded in Luke's gospel, 'Hallelujah, journeying through Advent with Handel's Messiah,' by Dave and Sally Gobbet, draws on Handel's timeless music and lyrics to offer a devotional roadmap for the season. These titles are available from the back of church at £2 per copy.

Carols Around the Tree
Please note the change of date to Tuesday 15th December, 6:00pm at St Michael's.

Church Family Day
Following our Church Family Day, handouts and forms are still available. If you have any questions Chris would be happy to meet with you, contact the office to arrange. *Please fill in a form even if you're in an existing group.*

Mission Partnership
This week we pray for Sena and Jane Ounate -Lare, church planting and training leaders in Caen. Visit our website for their latest news, or speak to our mission rep. Anita Bruffell for further information.

Remembering
We remember family and friends mourning Wendy Williams, Deane Bakewell, Dennis Western and Roy McEwen.