



The Weekly Bulletin

5th October, 2024

St Michael's Church, Blundellsands
www.stmichaelblundellsands.org



"The Lord will indeed give what is good, and our land will yield its harvest."

Psalm 85: 12



**Heavenly Food -
Wednesday 16th
October, 2024**

A short act of worship followed by a two-course lunch. Cost is £8. Please contact the office to book.



Date	Day	Time	Service
6/10/24	Sunday	10.30 am	Morning Prayer
Livestream Links			
(A) https://youtube.com/live/YIMMFIWC0KM?feature=share			
(B) https://youtube.com/live/Mx6rhwP1yaU?feature=share			

Ukraine Welcome Centre

The Ukraine Welcome Centre are eager to receive donations of coats, warm clothing and blankets.

Please leave any donations next to the Food Bank box in Church and Lucy will take them. Thank you.



Just Giving



We now have a link to our Just Giving page where you can make donations to our Raise the Roof campaign. Please support when you can to help preserve this special church building.



SCAN ME!

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/stmbsandsraisetherooft>

Could you spare an hour to help?

We still need your help to distribute the remaining community leaflets to our Parish. The leaflets will be available at the back of church. We need foot soldiers to volunteer to take a road (or two!) and put the leaflets through doors. This community mailer gives advanced notice of our special services between September and December as well as a letter to the community about our Raise the Roof campaign.

Your help and support would be much appreciated!



St Michael's Church, Blundellsands

Join us for our special services!



HARVEST SERVICE

SUNDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 10.30AM

Accompanied by the Salvation Army Band, gifts of non-perishable food will be collected and donated to the Salvation Army, Walton Branch.



REMEMBERING AND THANKING SERVICE

SUNDAY 20TH OCTOBER 10.30AM

Contact the Parish Office to have a deceased loved one prayed for by name.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

SUNDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 10.30AM

A service of reflection and gratitude, with a two-minute silence at 11am.



TOY SERVICE

SUNDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 10.30AM

Accompanied by the Salvation Army Band, gifts of new toys will be collected and donated to the Salvation Army, Walton Branch.



CAROL SERVICE

SUNDAY 15TH DECEMBER 4.00PM

Come along to sing carols, enjoy a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie



CHRISTINGLE

SUNDAY 22ND DECEMBER 4.00PM

A service in aid of the Children's Society, receive a Christingle and prepare for Christmas. Followed by tea and Christmas cake.



CHRISTMAS DAY

WEDNESDAY 25TH DECEMBER 10.30AM

Join with us to celebrate the birth of our Lord. Preacher and celebrant Pete Spiers, Archdeacon of Knowsley and Sefton.



Photograph courtesy Christine Robinson

St Michael's Raise the Roof Campaign



Dear Neighbour

Our Church of St Michael's is a vital gathering place for prayer, support and friendship. It's where we celebrate life's milestones - baptism, marriage and bereavement. It offers comfort and joy, but now it urgently needs your help to continue meeting our needs.

Time has taken its toll on the building and urgent roof repairs are now underway. Our next big challenge is the vital restoration work of the church interior. Severe damage to the plasterwork and electrics has occurred due to water ingress over the years.

In the face of this challenge, we are now seeking the help of our entire community to complete the required renovation work to ensure the preservation of St Michael's for future generations. We are sure local businesses and the wider community would wish us to succeed in saving our precious building. For years St Michael's has been a lifeline, providing a place of welcome and prayer and now we turn to you for assistance.

How you can help?

- ◆ **Spread the word** by sharing this message with friends and family.
- ◆ **Support our fundraising events.** Please visit our website to see What Is On.
- ◆ **Donate to our JUST GIVING page** by scanning the QR code.

Your support would be very much appreciated.

St Michael's Church PCC



SCAN ME!

EMAIL: office@stmbsands.org

CALL: 0151 924 0561

Dowhills Road, Blundellsands

www.stmichaelblundellsands.org.uk

Thank you for your support!

Last Sunday saw St Michael's Church hold its Harvest Service. The church was beautifully decorated for the season. Thank you to everyone who gave up their time to make the building look so beautiful and inviting. A special thank you too for the Salvation Army, Walton Branch who came and played for this service. The many donations of food were most welcome and will be a valuable support for those in the community who may be struggling at this time.





The Resurrection of Christ

1 Corinthians 15: 1-8

15 Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. ²By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

³For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. ⁶After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

Children's Challenge!

Share the story of resurrection, then print out this page of the bulletin for your children or grandchildren. Once they complete the colouring page it can be brought into the office (see working hours) to receive a chocolate coin!



Coloured in by: _____

Aged: _____



Let Us Pray: Resurrection Light

Risen Christ,

When darkness overwhelms us may your dawn beckon. When fear paralyses us may your touch release us. When grief torments us may your peace enfold us. When memories haunt us may your presence heal us. When justice fails us may your anger ignite us. When apathy stagnates us may your challenge renew us. When courage leaves us may your spirit inspire us. When despair grips us may your hope restore us. And when death threatens us may your resurrection light lead us. Amen.



“For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore I command you, “You shall open wide your

hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor.”

(Deuteronomy 15:11)



Just a reminder we have collection boxes in both church and church hall for the local foodbank. Please do donate what you can.

FOOD ITEMS

- Tea / Coffee / Hot Chocolate
- Milk / Juice (carton)
- Cereal (small size)
- Soups (can/packet)
- Tinned Beans / Spaghetti /Tomatoes
- Sauces (Pasta / Tomato) Jars
- Tinned Vegetables / Meat / Fish
- Tinned Fruit / Rice / Custard
- Instant Mash
- Pasta / Rice / Noodles
- Cup a Soup / Noodles
- Puddings / Biscuits / Jam

TOILETRIES (male / female)

- Soap
- Shower gel & Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste & Toothbrushes

EXTRAS

- Chocolate
- Pet Food
- Nappies

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61551488331158>

Please click on the link to go to our Facebook page and ‘follow us’, so you can see the latest photographs and updates from the church.



Community & Church Events

FABS
Flexibility | Agility | Balance | Strength

MOVE IT OR LOSE IT!

Exercises for the over 60's

A lot of research is being done at the moment into the positive effects of exercise, particularly for those who are over 60 years of age.

Exercise can help us to:

- * maintain and increase our muscle strength
- * improve our balance, co-ordination and mobility
- * improve our confidence
- * reduce our risk of falling
- * improve our mood and overall wellbeing

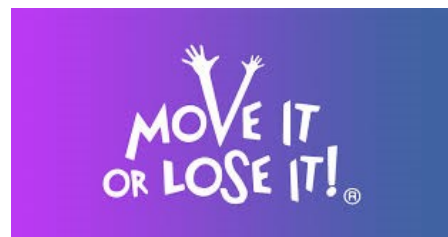
I run weekly classes for the over 60's at St Michael's Church Hall, Blundellsands
Every Wednesday at 9:30am and 11am

You can work at your own level, exercising by sitting down, holding onto a chair, or standing.
We will have fun! You will make new friends!

Cost is £6 per session and includes a cuppa and biscuit

If you are interested in attending, or would like more information, please contact Margaret Short on 07950 027395, or margaret.short@moveitorloseit.co.uk

I am part of the Move It or Lose It network of qualified instructors.



The Arts Society Crosby will hold its next meeting in the church hall at 2.00 p.m. on **Wednesday, 9th October**. Scott Schiavone, fashion historian and curator, will give an illustrated talk on "Fashionable Folds", examining the artistry behind Europe's most fashionable accessory - the folding fan.



The next Mothers' Union meeting will be on Wednesday 23rd October at 40 Spinney Crescent at 7.30pm **(Please note a change of the advertised venue!)**



27th October 2024

Please see the posters for details on purchasing tickets or to get more information



**'Come & Sing'
Messiah**

Using Sir Eugene Goossens' monumental full symphony-sized orchestration of Handel's *Messiah*, played by the Crosby Symphony Orchestra

St Faith's Church, L22 4QQ
Date: Sunday 27th October 2024
Time: 2.15pm rehearsal
6.30pm concert start
Free to participate

For more information and to sign up to sing in the choir, scan the QR code below or email: joe.watson@stfaithsgc.org.uk



St Faith's Crosby Music
www.stfaithsgreatcrosby.org.uk



St Faith's Church, Great Crosby is a Registered Charity No. 83408



Friday 8th November, 2024

A sign up sheet is also available at the back of church.

RAISE THE ROOF
APPEAL FUND
St Michael's Blundellsands

FUNDRAISING DINNER
AT
THE WEST LANCASHIRE GOLF CLUB
CHURCHILL - 'THE MAN YOU DON'T KNOW!'
Prepare to be surprised and have a chuckle or two!
SPEAKER: ROGER DALE, GUIDE AT CHARTWELL HOUSE
Roger Dale, ex Magistrate, ex Civil Servant and for the past 10 years, a volunteer guide at Winston Churchill's family home, Chartwell, Kent, will delve into some lesser known aspects of Churchill's life, his love of painting, family, particularly Clementine, his wife of 57 years and, of course, his wicked wit.

FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER
7 FOR 7:30PM

TICKETS: £35pp includes 2 Course Meal with Coffee, Tea & Mints
AUCTION & RAFFLE - All proceeds in aid of our Raise the Roof Appeal Fund

DRESS CODE: SMART/CASUAL

TO BOOK PLEASE CONTACT:
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Rachel Lupton on 0151 924 0561
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Advanced notice to save the date for St Michael's Christmas Party! Join together for a festive two-course lunch with carols, at West Lancashire Golf Club on **Friday 6th December 2024**.

Save the Date!



Parish Office



A woman invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to her six-year-old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?"
"I wouldn't know what to say," the little girl replied.
"Just say what you hear Mommy say," the mother said.
The little girl bowed her head and said: "Dear Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

For items to be included in the weekly bulletin, please email the Parish Administrator by 5pm on Wednesdays. Thank you.

Office Hours this coming week:

Tuesday 8th October - 12.30 - 15.00

Wednesday 9th October - 9.30 - 14.30

Thursday 10th October - 9.30 - 14.30

Saturday 12th October - 8.00 - 10.30

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