

Entrance Antiphon: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Psalm response: The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia, I chose you out of the world says the Lord, that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide. Alleluia.

The Apostles Creed is on page 456. / Nicene Creed is on page 455

After the Bidding Prayers:

Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary,
that it is a thing unheard of
that anyone ever had recourse to your protection,
implored your help, or sought your intercession, and was left unaided.
Filled, therefore, with confidence in your goodness,
I fly to you, O Mother, Virgin of Virgins.
To you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner.
Despise not my poor words, O Mother of the Word of God,
but graciously hear my prayer. Amen.

To conclude the Bidding Prayers:

Teach us, good Lord, to serve you as you deserve,
to give and not to count the cost,
to fight and not to heed the wounds,
to toil and not to seek for rest, to labour and not to seek reward
save that of knowing that we do your holy will. Amen.

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

The newsletter is also available at www.saintmichaelsonningcommon.org.uk

If you do not need to take this one home, please return it to the console at the back of Church after Mass, so that it can be reused. Many thanks.

If you would like to receive the Archdiocese weekly newsletter you can sign up at <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/e-news>

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Emmer Green and Caversham Park



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3/4 October 2026

PATRONAL WEEKEND AND VISITATION

Thank you to all who contributed and participated, including at our three Masses, as we celebrated our patronal feast. Bishop Richard wrote, *"I very much enjoyed my visit and was impressed with the active commitment and enthusiasm of parishioners. It is clear the parish is a lively and thriving community."*

PROJECT 80

HELPERS NEEDED!

We are looking for volunteers to help with various fundraising activities. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church. Whatever time you can spare would be hugely appreciated.

As part of our **80th Parish Anniversary celebrations**, we look forward to the ordination of **Luke Theobald** as a deacon in 2027 and, God willing, to his priestly ordination in 2028. To mark this special occasion, a parish pilgrimage to Rome is planned for **Monday 19 to Friday 23 April 2027**.



This will be Luke's final year of formation at the **Venerable English College (VEC)**. The programme will include a guided tour of **St Peter's Basilica** led by **Fr Michael**, a tour of the VEC hosted by Luke, the celebration of Masses, and attendance at the **Papal Audience** on the Wednesday.

Please contact the parish office or yvonne.mubanga@yahoo.co.uk if you are interested in joining this trip.

WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S

If you are a visitor or new to the parish, we welcome you warmly.
The Catholic Parish of St Michael's St Michael's Hall Hire Tel:01189723418
St Martin's Catholic Primary School
Tel: 0118 901 5544 Website: www.stmartinscaversham.co.uk
If you would like a home visit, please call Deacon Brian Theobald
Tel: 07484332580 or email dcn.brian.theobald@rcaob.org.uk
Most Masses are live streamed: streaming links can be found on our website.

WELCOME INTO THE CHURCH – BAPTISM: 12 NOON ON SUNDAY

Baby Nora Joanne Ogden will be baptised into the Church.
We extend a warm welcome to Nora and her family.

SCRIPTURE COURSE: Friday 9th October 10am

Thurs 8th at 7.30pm on Zoom Meeting ID 847 7279 9050. Passcode: 034423

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY.

Whenever possible, the Rosary will be prayed after our weekday liturgies. The Rosary will also be prayed at 4pm on Sunday 4th and 18th October. Everyone is invited, whether you pray the Rosary regularly, used to pray it or never prayed it. A very short explanation will be given beforehand as how the Rosary can be used to help our prayer. Families with children and young adults are particularly welcome. We hope to have a statue of Our Lady of Walsingham on the 18th.

PRESBYTERY FURNITURE

If you have collected a piece of furniture and would like to make a donation to St Michael's, then there is now a button on the Dona machine titled Presbytery Furniture. Alternatively, donations for the furniture can be put in an envelope marked Presbytery Furniture and handed into the Sacristy. Many thanks

CHARITY SHOP CHALLENGE & CHRISTMAS PUDS!

Signing up sheets are now available at the back of Church for the **CHARITY SHOP CHALLENGE** on **7th November** which was a great success last year and lots of fun AND the **CHRISTMAS PUDDING MAKING EVENING AND SUPPER** on **Friday 20th November**. We look forward to welcoming you at both events.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative can be contacted at: sg.stmichael.sonningcommon@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted by telephoning: 0121 230 6240 or emailing safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns

Parish Liturgies 3/4 October

27th Sun. in O.T.

Weekend Celebrants: Revv. Andrew Foster & Michael Doyle

Saturday Vigil	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.00am	Patricia Miles, R.I.P. (anniversary)
	10.30am	Maddy Sharman, R.I.P.
Monday	9.30am 7pm	Eucharistic Service Holy Hour
Tuesday	12 noon	Mass
Wednesday	2.15pm	Mass at School – all welcome
Thursday	9.30am	Mass
Friday	9.30am	Mass followed by Scripture Course

10/11 October.

28th Sunday in O.T.

Saturday Vigil	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.00am	Jack Edwards, R.I.P.
	10.30am	Morgan Family Intentions

Confessions

Available before and after each of the weekend Masses

Sacrament of the Sick

On request: 0118 972 3418

Please Pray for our Sick Parishioners, family and friends;

Lord, send your healing Spirit on all who are sick or distressed.

Dominic Antão; Catherine Belletty; Robert Brooks; Joe Bunton; Savanna Clark;
Ben Fox; Mary Edwards; Rogan Hodgson; Vivien Kear; Jennifer Learmouth;
Peppin Sanz; Dominic Sakrouge; Daniel Carroll; TJ. Cian Murphy; Carmelina
Imperato; Terry Mc Goldrick

If circumstances change please ask for the name to be removed from the list.

For All Deceased Members of our Parish Family

We pray for all who have died, and for those whose anniversary occurs about this time:

Renee George; Joe Ashby; Helen Cunningham; George Hajdu;
Deacon Patrick Selwood; Annie Fallows; Enid Wilton; Vera Martin;
Mrs F Rodrigues; Andrew Selwood.

May the light and joy of God's peace shine upon them.