



# ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, BRAMCOTE

15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

## Today

### **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January**

**8:30am – 10:00am.** All-Age Breakfast in the Church Centre. All welcome.

Breakfast will be served from **8:30am** and available until 10.00am. The breakfasts can be described as "Full English" and have proved to be very popular with church members and the people they have invited. We look forward to welcoming you all. It would be hugely useful to have an idea of the number of people who intend to come, so, if you can, please let Stan Heptinstall know on 07792 987890 or [heptinstallstan@gmail.com](mailto:heptinstallstan@gmail.com).

## The Coming Week

### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

**10:00am.** Morning Service in Church. Refreshments and prayer ministry.

**4:30pm.** Evening Service in Church. Refreshments from 4:00pm. Prayer ministry.

Donna will be available at 11:00am and 4:00pm to talk to those interested in volunteering to help with children and families. Do look out for Donna and say hello.

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January**

**10:00am - 12noon.** Church open.

**10:00am.** Celtic Prayer in the Church Centre.

### **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

**10:00am - 12noon.** Church open.

**7:00pm– 8:00pm.** January Prayer Meeting in the Church Centre.

Robert and Christine Cleave are planning a meeting that will have a more contemplative feel and include times of silence as well as speaking, as we pray for those around us as well as for national and global issues. They would love to see you on Tuesday at for an hour at 7:00pm.

### **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January**

**10:00am - 12noon.** Church open.

**10:00am – 12noon.** Church Office open.

**10:00am – 12noon.** Wednesday Morning Coffee in the Church Centre.

**7:30pm- 9:00pm.** Choir practice in the Church Centre.

## The Coming Week (continued)

### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January**

**9:30am – 11.30am.** Little Angels in the Church Centre.

**10:00am – 12noon.** Church open with a service of Holy Communion at 10:00am.

**1:00pm – 3:00pm.** Silver Surfers in the Church Centre.

**2:00pm – 3:00pm.** Session 2 of a series of bible studies based on the Acts of the Apostles.

All welcome. Contact [rev.lillian@googlemail.com](mailto:rev.lillian@googlemail.com).

The course material is available in leaflet form in church for those who would prefer to study privately.

### **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January**

**10:00am – 11:00am.** "Come Alive"

Keep Fit in the Church Centre.

**10:00am – 12noon.** Church open.

**10:00am – 12noon.** Church Office Open.

**2:00pm.** Funeral of Peter Cresswell in the Serenity Chapel at Bramcote Crematorium.

Please do come to support Sally and her family.

**7:30pm – 9:00pm.** Bellringing practice in the Church.

### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**

**10:00am.** Morning Service in Church.

Refreshments and prayer ministry.

**4:30pm.** Evening Service in Church. Refreshments from 4:00pm. Prayer ministry.

## Every Weekday

**Church Website.** Various items of interest including a recording of the previous Sunday's Morning Service.

**10:00am - 12:00noon.** The church continues to be open daily to visitors and for private prayer.

## Coming Up at St Michael's

### **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February**

**7:00pm.** The Berega Dinner in the Church Centre.

The Berega Dinner will be on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 7:00pm - a delicious meal and a time to learn about all that's happening in Berega. Please put the date in your diary! More info and tickets soon.

## A huge thank-you from the organiser of The Great Notts Christmas Toy Appeal



Dear Friends

Thanks to you all, another successful appeal has just been completed! I want to thank every single person who has donated gifts, or worked in any other way. The Great Notts Christmas Toy Appeal has reached out to children all over the county with the assistance of our partners in the care sector including, the NHS, Family Support Teams, Children's Centres, Notts Women's Aid, Midlands Women's Aid, Nottingham City Homes, Base 51, Framework and Emmanuel House. Many children in need benefitted greatly from your generosity. They are invisible in some ways and we may pass them in the street without knowing their situation. Of course, we cannot know them individually and we are grateful to our partner agencies who identify them and get our toys to their destinations. Please stay in touch via our Facebook group at 'The Great Notts Christmas Toy Appeal' or at <https://christmastoyshomesteadcloud.com>.

*Nick Clark, Appeal Organiser*

### Traidcraft

Traidcraft goods are now available through the week as well as on Sundays! Each week, there will be a new selection of goods available in the church vestibule (at the back of church). This week is the post-Christmas clearance sale, where Christmas cards are at half price and other sale items are available. A wide selection of other goods will be available from the Traidcraft cupboard when open from time to time. Orders can also be through Christine Cleave on 01159 258 394, or by email at [christine.cleave@gmail.com](mailto:christine.cleave@gmail.com).

### Contacting us at St Michael's

Address: Church Street, Bramcote, NG9 3HD

Telephone: (0115) 943 0137

Website: <https://saintmichaelsbramcote.com>

Email: [care@bramcoteparishchurch.com](mailto:care@bramcoteparishchurch.com)

The Bramcote Care Group also offers practical help - phone Elaine on 07850 985349.

### Sad News .....

..... our churchwarden Tom Clifford has let us know that Daisy's mum Monicah passed away on 9<sup>th</sup> January. Tom and Daisy and the Kenyan community are currently engaged in seven days of prayer and celebration of Monicah's life. Please pray for Daisy and Tom and all who knew Monicah at this very sad time.

..... Bishop Paul has let us know that it was announced on 10<sup>th</sup> January that Colin Slater MBE has passed away. The Bishop described Colin as "our dear friend, colleague and brother in Christ", and "as a man of deep faith and hope in God". Many of us knew Colin, not just as the voice of Notts County, but as a true friend and colleague who did so much to further God's kingdom here on earth by helping others in many different ways. He will be greatly missed. Please pray for all those who knew him and loved him.

### Christmas 2021 – Thank you

Sincere thanks to those in our congregation who helped make Christmas 2021 so special. To David Jones for lighting up the Yew Tree in front of the church so beautifully, to Alison Reynolds for lighting and decorating the Christmas tree inside church, to those who provided the banners that were so appropriate to the time of year, to Hillary and her helpers for the floral arrangements, to Donna and her helpers for their contribution to the services designed for our younger members, to John Hart for highlighting the step outside the entrance to the Centre to ensure everyone can negotiate this safely, to David Hanford and the choir for the music and singing, to the sidespersons and welcomers for their continued devotion to the church and all those who visit, to the verger and all our staff for their regular and invaluable contributions to making everything run smoothly. And all this, of course, is in addition to those who led the services, preached, read, prayed, and contributed in so many other ways to all that went on. Thank you, all of you.

### Cleaning the Church – Thank you

Sincere thanks to those who, after last week's announcement, have already volunteered to help Carole Croft as she leads the team of volunteers who come into church every fortnight at 9:00am on a Monday to carry out a few basic cleaning tasks. If you have not yet responded, do contact Carole by email at [c\\_croft@sky.com](mailto:c_croft@sky.com) or by telephone on (0115) 9390161.

### Bestwood and Bulwell Foodbank

Donations for the foodbank continue to come in and we are very grateful indeed! The church is open every weekday from 10:00am to 12noon for monetary gifts and donations of non-perishable foods and toiletries. Donations can also be left at church on Sundays. Many thanks for all the help you continue to provide to those in need.