

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 20th January 4pm Messy Church Meeting (St Luke's)
Monday-Friday this week Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 12.30pm at Hungate
Monday 21st January 10am Social & Fundraising meeting (9 Waveney Rd)
Sunday 27th January 7.30pm United Service at Hungate
Monday 28th January 10am Ministry Team meeting (St Luke's)
Monday 28th January 12.30pm Funeral of Leonard Sutton (Beccles Cemetery)
Thursday 31st January 1pm Funeral of Doris Stubbs (Waveney Crematorium)
Saturday 2nd February 9am First Saturday Prayers (St Luke's)
Monday 4th February 2pm Funeral of Kathleen Crisp (St Michael's)
Foodbank at St Luke's Mondays 2pm, Fridays 3pm

GIFT AID DONATIONS TO BECCLES PARISH - if you pay UK income tax please use one of the gift aid envelopes for your offering so that tax refunds may be claimed (Please remember to sign and date) If you would like information on giving by standing order then please take a 'generous giving' leaflet from the back of church.
Please make cheques payable to *The Parish of Beccles*

We use gluten free bread at all communion services

PARISH CONTACTS

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Please send any items for next weeks news sheet to Rich by 12noon on Wednesday



BECCLES PARISH ST MICHAEL'S & ST LUKE'S Growing in God

SUNDAY 20TH JANUARY EPIPHANY 3

Welcome to St Michael's and St Luke's today. It is a great joy to have you with us as we worship God together. If you are here for the first time, we pray that your visit will be a time of blessing.

WORSHIP TODAY

ST MICHAEL'S

9.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30 Morning Worship

ST LUKE'S

10.30am Holy Communion
& Junior Church

WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

ST MICHAEL'S

9.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.30am Holy Communion

ST LUKE'S

10.30am FEAST All-age worship
(breakfast from 10am)

WORSHIP DURING THE WEEK

Morning Prayer

Monday/ Tuesday 8.30am in the Undercroft
Wednesday 8.30am at St Luke's

Evening Prayer

Monday & Thursday 5pm at St Luke's

Holy Communion

Thursday 11am at St Michael's

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by
the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the
unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen

BIBLE READINGS FOR TODAY

	<u>StM</u>	StL
Isaiah 62.1-5	p748	p750
John 2.1-11	p1064	p1064



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ANNUAL REPORTS if you usually write an annual report please send this to Ian Hollingsworth by 10th February (hollies@icloud.com). The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place on Sunday 7th April at St Luke's.

NEW ELECTORAL ROLL 2019 is a year for the preparation of a completely new Electoral Roll.

Everyone who is on the current roll will soon receive a letter and application form. Roll application forms will also be available at each church, or by contacting Michael Spratt for St Michael's 716259 or Terri Gott's for St Luke's 711798. The preparation of the roll will be completed in March and exhibited in churches for at least two weeks before the APCM on 7th April 2019.

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER IN BECCLES WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY January 21st - 27th The theme is Only Justice and comes from the Churches in Indonesia. There will be meditation and prayers Monday to Friday 12.30 at Hungate Church. A Service to close the week will be held at Hungate Church on Sunday 27th 7.30 pm.

GROWING IN GOD We will begin to explore new priorities at St Michael's today and next week and at St Luke's on 3rd & 10th February.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES To all boxholders: Please would you bring your boxes to **St Luke's on or after 20th January** and to **St Michael's on any Sunday in January** (please don't leave it at the back of church; if you come to 9am or Thursday services, please ask a warden to put it in the vestry for Faith). Thank you, Faith Darch and Roger Tuthill

MESSY CHURCH PLANNING MEETING THIS AFTERNON at 4pm at St Luke's. We are really keen this year to see more and more people involved in leading different aspects of Messy Church. If you want to be involved in any way, come along to the meeting or let Rich know.

ATC SERVICE The Air Training Corps (ATC) was established by a Royal Warrant dated 5th February 1941. Ever since the ATC have held an ATC Service annually as near to that date as possible. This year five local squadron will be holding their united service at St Michaels church on the 3rd February at 2pm. While this is a parade service for the cadets everyone is very welcome to come along and support them. The cadets are aged from 12 to 18, both male and female. We look forward to hosting their parade and welcoming them, their staff, family and friends.

INTERCESSORS "Jesus told his disciples...that they should always pray and not give up" [Luke 18:1]

There are many ways of praying for others encouraged through the ministry of Beccles Parish. One way is through a group known as 'The Intercessors'. This is a group of individuals who commit to pray on a weekly basis for needs referred to them. These Intercessors pray on their own or sometimes, with one other, so that these needs are prayed for throughout the week. A need will be sent to Andrew Platt who then circulates the other intercessors by email or phone. Prayer starts straight away.

We want to add to the list of intercessors people who have a passion for prayer and who can commit to pray for the needs circulated to them. Sometimes these needs are absolutely confidential, so we ask that the Intercessors do not share any of the prayer requests with anyone else.

If you might be interested to being an Intercessor, please speak either to Rich or Andrew for more information.

If you have a prayer need and would like the intercessors to pray for that need, either email or ring Andrew who will then circulate that need to the intercessors. It is exciting when we get a call later saying prayers have been answered or needs met.

As James says 'The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective' James 5:16

MISSION FOCUS EVENT We are delighted to share Bishop Darlington from our link Diocese of Kagera will be with us and in conversation with Bishop Gavin on Sunday 17th February 4pm in the Undercroft at St Michael's. This will be a chance to find out more about Kagera and pray for Bishop Darlington and the diocese there. All welcome.

BISHOP MIKE'S SERMON There are copies of Bishop Mike sermon from the Confirmation service at the back of each church.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

To include names here, or to be prayed for by the intercessors, ring Andrew Platt (717744). Please pray for those who are sick or in any kind of need, especially: Susannah Izzard, Austin Bates, Sally Allport, David Savill, Diane Richards, Christine Whitman, Sandra Howlett, Vera Sturman, John Moore, Geoff Earl, Doris Gardiner, Ghislaine Harrold, Rod Parker and Michael Spratt. Please pray for those who are bereaved or facing the anniversaries of bereavement, especially the families & friends of Grace Hembling, Dianna Chaston, Leonard Sutton, Doris Stubbs and Kathleen Crisp.