

## Notices:

**Harvest Festival:** Next Sunday October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11.15am we will be celebrating Harvest Festival with a family service, followed by a 'bring and share' lunch. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of church for food to bring. All welcome.

### **The Silent Prayer Group:**

You are welcome to join the Silent Prayer Group on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at Framlingham College Chapel. A simple breakfast will be served from 8.45am prayers are from 9.15 – 10.00am. Any enquiries to Rayleen Finn 01728 723322, [rayleenf@aol.com](mailto:rayleenf@aol.com)

**St Michael and All Angels Patronal Festival:** Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in St Michael's there will be a service of sung Holy Communion to mark our patronal festival.

### **Children's activities during the 9.30am service:**

Deborah, Edith or Victoria would be very pleased if any children here today would like to come and join in some Sunday school activities in the Tower Room just before the sermon starts.

**The Healing Team:** Two members of the Healing Group will be in our Space for Grace after the 9.30 service today for anyone to share their concerns, doubts, fears or worries. It is done in complete confidence.

**Knit and Stitch:** The next meeting is at 2pm on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October in church. By then Harvest will be over and the sea creatures we have been making put away. So, before we know it, Christmas will be upon us and we have a stall of goodies to make for 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Do come and join us for a cuppa; we chat and share our skills and materials. More details Mary: 638897 or Geraldine: 727489

**Printer paper:** If you would like to buy a ream of printer paper (500 sheets) at the very reasonable cost of £3, please speak to Margaret, our treasurer or Victoria, our parish administrator. The paper is available here in church or from the church office.

**FOSM:** As well as stamps, we are collecting foreign coins, notes and obsolete British coins - so if you have any spare please put them in an envelope and pop in the wall safe in church, or give them to Joyce Spruce or Steph Bennell. There is a box for stamps on the FOSM table near the font in the church.

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**Church of Saint Michael**  
**Framlingham**  
with All Saints Saxtead



## **The Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity** **September 25<sup>th</sup> 2016**

### **Today's Service:**

**Processional Hymn:** 100 Christ is the world's light

**Gradual Hymn:** 238 God has spoken by the prophets

**Offertory Hymn:** 350 Immortal love, forever full

**Final Hymn:** 692 Tell out my soul

**Collect:** Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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.

**First Reading:** 1 Timothy 6 v 6 – 19

6 There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; 7 for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; 8 but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. 9 But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. 11 But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. 13 In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of

Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, 14 I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 which he will bring about at the right time – he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. 16 It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen. 17 As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. 18 They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, 19 thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Response (ALL)** Thanks be to God.

**Gradual hymn:** 238 God has spoken by the prophets

**Alleluia: (ALL) Alleluia x 6**

**GOSPEL: Luke 16 v 19 - 31**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

**Response (ALL):** Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus told this parable to those among the Pharisees who loved

money: 19 'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. 20 And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, 21 who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. 22 The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 23 In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. 24 He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." 25 But Abraham said, "Child,

remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. 26 Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." 27 The man who had been rich said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house – 28 for I have five brothers – that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." 29 Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." 30 He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." 31 Abraham said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Response (ALL):** Praise to you, O Christ.

**Post Communion:** We praise and thank you, O Christ, for this sacred feast: for here we receive you, here the memory of your passion is renewed, here our minds are filled with grace, and here a pledge of future glory is given, when we shall feast at that table where you reign. Amen.

**Please pray for:** Angela Long, Doreen Burrows, Michael Bridges, Olwin Bridges, Desmond and Renee Clifton, Trevor Newton, Joyce Davis and any who are unwell at this time.

**Wednesday** 28th September – 10.30am Holy Communion in St Michael's.

**Next Sunday:** Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October: 8am Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer.) 11.15am Harvest Festival Family Service followed by bring and share lunch.

Saxtead: 5.15pm Harvest Songs of Praise preceded by bring and share family tea at 4.30pm.

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