

THE USAGE OF ST MICHAEL'S

A CALENDAR OF FEAST AND SAINTS DAYS

(Evensong & Benediction on the 1st Sunday of each month is assumed)

DATE or day	NAME	NOTES AND LITURGICAL COLOURS
JANUARY		
6 th	<u>Epiphany</u>	Sung Mass, 7.30pm Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is the St Michael's usage to keep it on the day • Followed by drinks WHITE
FEBRUARY		
2 nd	<u>Candlemass</u> "Feast of Our Lord"	Sung Mass, 7.30pm Service (or 6pm if Sunday) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With Candle Procession WHITE
	<u>LENT</u>	
Wednesday	<u>Ash Wednesday</u> Lent begins	Sung Mass, 7.30pm Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With Ashing PURPLE throughout Lent except the 4 th Sunday
Wednesdays	Stations of the Cross are said each Wednesday during Lent	
Sunday	1 st Sunday in Lent	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With Litany and Procession (in place of the first hymn and Asperges) PURPLE
MARCH		
Sunday	<u>Mothering Sunday</u> <u>Laetare Sunday</u> 4 th Sunday in Lent	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mothers are presented with posies of spring flowers, distributed after the service • Followed by Simnel cake and drinks ROSE RED
25 th	<u>The Annunciation</u> <u>Lady Day</u> "Feast of Our Lord"	Sung Mass, 7.30pm Service (ordinarily on the 25 th March) WHITE

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MARCH / APRIL

Sunday	<u>Passion Sunday</u> 5 th Sunday in Lent	Sung Mass, 10.45am service • Marked with the Veiling of the Crosses PURPLE
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HOLY WEEK

MARCH / APRIL

Sunday	<u>Palm Sunday</u> Sunday before Easter	Sung Mass, 10.30am service • With the Blessing and Procession of Palms
Wednesday	<u>Spy Wednesday</u>	Stations of the Cross, 6pm Service • With sung <i>Stabat Mater</i> PURPLE OR RED
Thursday	<u>Maundy Thursday</u>	Sung Mass, 7.30pm Service • With Feet Washing • Followed by the Watch through the Night WHITE
Friday	<u>Good Friday</u>	Good Friday Liturgy, 10am Service <i>Tenebrae</i> , 8pm Service • Sung from the Gallery by candlelight BLACK
Saturday	<u>Easter Eve</u> First Mass of Easter	Sung Mass; The Easter Vigil; 8pm Service • With the Ceremony at the Font : The Blessing of the New Fire and Lighting of The Paschal Candle, • Followed by a party
Sunday	<u>Easter Day</u>	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service WHITE

MAY

Sunday	<u>Rogation Procession</u> Sunday before Ascension	Sung Mass, 10.45 Service • With procession, respecting the four directions inside the church, with 4 hymns and 3 stations for prayers around Mount Dinham WHITE
Thursday	<u>Ascension Day</u> 40 days after Easter	Matins, 7.30am Service • Sung from inside the spire, followed by cooked breakfast and drinks Sung Mass, 7.30pm Service • With drinks after WHITE

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MAY / JUNE

Sunday	<u>Whit Sunday</u> (Pentecost)	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service RED
Sunday	<u>Trinity Sunday</u>	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service RED
Thursday	<u>Corpus Christi</u>	Sung Mass, 7.30pm Service • With procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Monstrance around Mount Dinham WHITE

JUNE

27 th	<u>John Dinham, Benefactor</u> D. 1864	Sung Mass, 7.30pm Service WHITE
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AUGUST

15 th	<u>Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u>	Sung Mass, 7.30pm Service WHITE
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SEPTEMBER

29 th	<u>Michaelmass</u>	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service • Followed by drinks WHITE
Sunday after Michaelmass	<u>Dedication</u>	Sung Mass, 10.45am service WHITE

NOVEMBER

[1st	<u>All Saints' Day</u>	not normally marked at St Michael's]
2 nd	<u>All Souls' Day</u>	Sung Requiem Mass, 7.30pm Service (or 6pm if Sunday), • With <i>Catafalque</i> BLACK
Sunday	<u>All Saints Sunday</u> Following All Saints Day	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service WHITE
Sunday	<u>Christ the King</u> Last Sunday after Pentecost	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service WHITE/GOLD

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ADVENT – the Liturgical Year begins at Advent

DECEMBER

Sunday	<u>Advent Sunday</u> 4 Sundays before Christmas (can fall in November)	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service • Preceded by the Litany Evensong and Benediction, 6pm Service PURPLE throughout Advent except 3 rd Sunday
Sunday	<u>Advent Carol Service</u> 2 nd Sunday of Advent	Advent Procession, 6pm Service • Candle procession with Advent Music, readings and Benediction
Sunday	<u>Gaudate Sunday</u> 3 rd Sunday of Advent	Sung Mass, 10.45am Service ROSE RED
24 th	<u>Midnight Mass</u> Christmas Eve	Sung Mass, 11.30pm Service • By candlelight • Choir carols from the West Gallery at 11.05pm • The tree is traditionally decorated on the morning of Christmas Eve WHITE
25 th	<u>Christmas Day</u>	Sung Mass, 10.30am service

n.b. Other Saints and Martyrs Days may be marked, e.g. St Theresa of Avila, either within a CBS Mass or at Vespers or by a special service or recital

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