ST MIKE'S BULLETIN

4TH JANUARY 2026









Dates to note

Sunday 18th January 2026

A **Thank You party** - organised by the Connecting People Team - to thank everyone who volunteers in *any* way at St Michael's. If this includes you, please come and join in the fellowship and fun on Sunday 18th January. More information next week.

Saturday 7th March 2026

Six years ago we had a whole church Vision Day which gave rise to our Strategic Purpose and three Strategic Objectives. It's time to celebrate what's been achieved from that, review what's still to do from it, and refocus our attention going forward. To help us, we'll be very ably supported by colleagues from the Diocese.

EVERYONE who's on Church Council or one of the CC Teams is strongly encouraged to make this next day a priority please, as well as anyone else who's involved in a leading way in the life of St Michael's.

Martin will be writing to those he feels should definitely attend, but if you want to take part too then have a word with him ... and reserve the date: daytime, Saturday 7th March.

A Date for the Diaries

Thursday 5th March

Riding Lights - the Christian theatre group - brings its new Passion Play to St Michael's.

More info at https://www.ridinglights.org/nightfalls







The cast members gradually gather around the manger: He came for us all



The baby is born: Emily is Mary, Quentin is Joseph, Alice is Gabriel, Sarah is Celestial and Pete is Michael.

Memories

of the

Nativity

Ambrose is a Wise Man and Megan a Sensible Woman!



Holly as Herod and Fraser as his servant

Collect for the Feast of the Epiphany

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end In Jesus Christ our Lord.

Join us for Worship



Sunday Worship 4th January 2026

10:00am: Holy Communion with Children's Groups

Leader & Celebrant: Revd Vivien Gisby Speaker: Mike Strutt (LLM) Bible reading: Matthew 2:1-12 Theme: Arise, shine

Please use the link below to stream this (and previous services) on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/@stmikesmacclesfield

Start the Week

Every Monday from 7.30am in church
Morning Prayer at 8.30 am in church and also on Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/stmikesmacclesfield

Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

Alternate Wednesdays at 10:30 am in the Savage Chapel lasting 30-40 minutes.

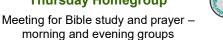
Next Meeting:7th January

Thursday Morning Worship 10:30am (35–40 mins)

Our midweek services follow the order from the Book of Common Prayer (traditional language) and alternate between Morning Prayer and Holy Communion

8th January: Morning Prayer 15th January: Holy Communion

Thursday Homegroup



Please contact Eve & David Budgett (431606) or David Mayers (420716) for more information

Sound of Silence (Contemplative Prayer)

Friday mornings from 9.20-9.50.

An opportunity for quiet prayer followed by a cuppa and chat.

Compline/Night Prayer

Every Friday

Topic: Night Prayer | Time: 8.30 pm Join Zoom Meeting; https://

us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476? pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdaZz09

Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: compline

Compline

Share your Photos with St Mike's Church Family



If you have any photographs of recent activities you have been involved in

which you would like including in the weekly bulletin/newsletter or in the Church Family News slot in Sunday services, please use this number to WhatsApp them to the relevant people:

+44 7579 820265

You can, of course, also email pictures and text to stmikesnotices@gmail.com

How to contact the office...

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- Isobel <u>clergypa@maccteam.org.uk</u> for ministry issues
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Elaine's office hours are *usually* Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9:30am – 1:30 pm

Isobel's Office hours are *usually* Monday & Wednesday 9.00-2.45; Thursday 9.00 - 1.00 and Friday 8.30 - 1.00

Safeguarding Contact Information



If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact the St Michael's Safeguarding Officer, Katie Wilcock:

Phone: 07435 568 729

Email: safeguarding@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk



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