ST MIKE'S BULLETIN

6TH APRIL 2025











Services at St Michael's

Palm Sunday (13th April at 10.00am)

This service will be taken by some of our OWLs (Occasional Worship Leaders)

Maundy Thursday (17th April at 7.00pm) An Agape Meal with (optional) Washing of Feet.

This is a reflective service with music, readings and symbolic actions, when we contemplate the events at the Last Supper.

Good Friday

⇒ Morning service (18th April at 10.30am)

Our traditional Good Friday morning worship. Guest speaker: Marion Tugwood

⇒ Afternoon Contemplative Service (2.00pm - 4.00pm)

"The Things He Bore".

This will comprise readings, poetry, music and silence in four sessions, each 25 minutes long (so you don't need to stay for the full two hours! - you can arrive or leave at changeover times (2.00; 2.25; 2.55; 3.25)

All Saints' Summer Walks

If anyone is interested in some gentle summer evening walks, All Saints' will be leading one weekly from 30th April to 2nd July (always on **Wednesday** evenings).



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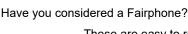
Arrive at 6.50pm in the All Saints' car park where sharing of lifts will be arranged, leaving at 7.00pm prompt.

Each walk has a leader and lasts about an hour and a half, taking walkers through Cheshire countryside. The walks will not be too strenuous and will usually start and finish at a pub!

Just turn up at 6.50 in the All Saints' car-park on any of the dates and join in.

Eco-tip

Are you thinking about buying a new phone?



These are easy to repair; do not use conflict minerals; and

the employees of the companies making them are paid a living wage and work in decent conditions.

A Fairphone is a more sustainable phone, and won't need changing every couple of years.

God of the small things.

It's the School holidays next week so we are organising a short activity in St Peter's church garden on Windmill Street.



From 9.00am - 10.00am on

Tuesday 7th April we will be looking for mini-creatures and learning how God cares for us all, big and small.

Bring your children, there will be refreshments.

For more details please contact Tricia Atherton.

LETS: 13th April

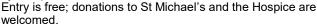
Don't forget that **Let's Eat Together** Sunday is next week, **13th April** Bring some food and eat with others, maybe sharing if you wish. Newcomers especially welcome: don't

worry if you haven't any food - there's usually plenty.



Music@Mike's

Friday 11th April; Imogen Garner (mezzosoprano) and John Gough (piano) performing songs by composers with northern connections The concert starts at 1.15pm and will be over by 2.00pm



The Angel at my Table café will be open for lunch and hot drinks before and after the concert.

Recycle stall

Don't forget to bring in any unwanted but saleable items (no clothes) for our recycle/reuse stall in aid of our eco-projects. Place them in the large box at the back of church. The stall will be held on 27th April (Treacle Market). Please both 'bring' and 'buy'!



Tenebrae Service

Thursday 17th April, Maundy Thursday, 7.30pm at the United Reformed Church at Park Green.



A service of reflection and meditation on the passion of Christ; of shadows and sadness; involving Bible readings, extinguishing candles and hymns of lament.

Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Lent

Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son
out of love for the world:
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
that we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
Jesus Christ our Lord



Join us for Worship



Sunday Worship

6th April 2025
The Fifth Sunday of Lent

10:00am: Holy Communion

Leader: Martin Bancroft (Reader in Training)
Speaker & Celebrant: Revd Martin Stephens

Theme: The Nicene Creed
"We believe in the Holy Spirit"
Bible Reading: John 14:1,15-18a, 2:5-27

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: Wednesday 16th April

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 10th April: Holy Communion

17th April: No service at St Mike's (Chrism Service at Chester for those who wish to go)

Thursday Homegroup

Meeting for Bible study and prayer – morning and evening groups

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

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

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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Elaine's office hours are *usually* Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9:30am – 1:30 pm

Isobel's Office hours are *usually* Monday & Wednesday 9.00-3.00; and Thursday & Friday 9.00 - 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

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