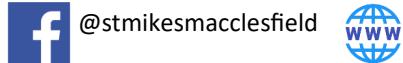


# ST MIKE'S BULLETIN



11TH JANUARY 2026



The BIG THANK YOU PARTY invitation.  
Please make sure you RSVP



## Eco-tip

The RSPB's Big Garden Birdwatch (Friday 23-Sunday 25 January) is the world's largest garden wildlife survey! Last year, nearly 600,000 people took part and over nine million birds were counted. We've lost a staggering 38 million birds from UK skies in the last 60 years. With birds facing so many challenges, it's more important than ever to get involved in the Birdwatch.

To take part, spend one hour counting the birds you see in one location – your garden, balcony or a local park. Submit your findings to the RSPB. You can download a free guide and ID chart to help you identify the birds you spot on the RSPB website. Find out more at: [rspb.org.uk/whathappening/big-garden-birdwatch](http://rspb.org.uk/whathappening/big-garden-birdwatch)

For more practical ways to enjoy, nurture and defend nature, sign up to A Rocha UK's Wild Christian email: [arocha.org.uk/wild-christian](http://arocha.org.uk/wild-christian)



## 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 Collect for the First Sunday of Epiphany The Baptism of Christ

Heavenly Father,  
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:  
may we recognize him as our Lord  
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.



## THE HOPE CENTRE WHAT'S ON:

TUES	Dementia Music Café 14:00 PM - 15:30 PM
WEDS	Adult Colouring & Craft 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
THURS	Knitting 4 Charity 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
FRI	Chatty Café 14:00 PM - 15:30 PM

### Coming soon... Digital Life Skills

For more details and updates, please visit our website or follow us on social media

The Hope Centre, 16-18 Park Green, SK11 7NA

[www.hopecentremacclesfield.co.uk](http://www.hopecentremacclesfield.co.uk)



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## Church Flowers

The flowers on the Chancel Table were graciously given by Jo Durbin in loving memory of her dear mother.

Thank-you Jo.

## Peace Vigil at St Albans

Please see the attached poster for details about the Peace Vigil to be held at St Albans Church on Saturday 17th January, 8.00-9.00pm.

One hour of reflection, Taizé chants, silence and prayer for Peace and Christian Unity.

Join us for **Worship**



## Sunday Worship

11th January 2026

### 10:00am: Church Family Worship

with Children's Groups

Leader: Jan Rose (OWL)

Speaker: Revd Martin Stephens

Bible reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-6

### 6.30pm: Choral Evensong

Leader: Paul Simms (OWL)

Speaker: Lynne Spedding (LLM)

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: 21st 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

15th January: Holy Communion  
22nd January: Morning Prayer

## 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



## 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



## 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](mailto:stmikesnotices@gmail.com)

## How to contact the office...



Phone: Landline: 01625 421984

### Email addresses:

- **Isobel** [clergypa@maccteam.org.uk](mailto:clergypa@maccteam.org.uk) for ministry issues
- **Elaine** [bookings@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk](mailto:bookings@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk) for bookings and building matters
- **Bulletin/Newsletter** [stmikesnotices@gmail.com](mailto:stmikesnotices@gmail.com)
- **Printing** [maccteamprinting@gmail.com](mailto:maccteamprinting@gmail.com)
- **Safeguarding** see box below

**Postal Address:** The Office, St Michael's Church, Market Place, Macclesfield, SK10 1DY

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](mailto:safeguarding@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk)



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## Email any prayer requests to:

[prayer@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk](mailto:prayer@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk)

Your request will be circulated confidentially to a limited group of people who will pray for you.

