### ST MIKE'S BULLETIN ISSUE 24/13

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#### Music@Mike's

Thursday 2nd May at 1.15pm A welcome return by the great entertainer and pianist Adam Parrish.



Entry is free but donations towards St Michael's and the East Cheshire Hospice are welcome.

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#### Christian Aid

Next Sunday we will be welcoming a speaker from

Christian Aid to our morning service in advance of Christian Aid Week (which begins the following week).

As you may be aware, Christian Aid is one of the charities which seeks to offer tangible support to some of the most troubled and heartbreaking areas of the world: Gaza; Ukraine; Sudan, to name a few.

We intend to make a donation from our St Michael's church family and invite you to contribute some money towards this. You can either add your donation to the buckets which will be available in the Welcome Area that morning, transfer money to the church bank account (letting Laura Mummery, our Treasurer, know that it is for Christian Aid) or give your money directly to Martin Bancroft or Lynne Spedding (of the Social Action & Wider World Team).

#### Raised Beds

Our sensory raised bed, at the side of church by the Youth Centre entrance, is looking stunning and smelling superb (lots of wallflowers blooming) at the moment. Do take a stroll round to admire it.



Also the raised vegetable bed, maintained by Anthony, is getting going for the year!

#### New Church Administrator

We welcome Isobel Forester as our new Church Administrator, covering the role previously done by Porsche.

She is a regular worshipper at St Peter's, Prestbury and lives in Tytherington with her husband and two young boys. Her working days will be Monday, and Wednesday – Friday. Isobel will join us on Monday (29th April).



There are a lot of people for her to get to know, so please introduce yourself if you are around (but please not this Monday as it will be a busy day!).

We are very grateful to Judith, who has covered Life Events administration, and some of the role, during the vacancy; Judith will continue for a few weeks to help with the transition.

### The Sheep Trail and the Mouse Trail



The Sheep Trail is back and all the little lost sheep have been found!

You can have fun and learn about the church at the same time.



All the mice in the Mouse Trail are having a holiday at the moment.

We hope they have a lovely time.

#### Eco-tip

After the Treacle Service on Sunday 28th seek out the Global Justice Now stall in the churchyard and ask about the Fossil Fuel Treaty: an international initiative to



manage a Global Transition to Safe, Renewable & Affordable Energy for All. It's the best chance we have to limit carbon emissions and the climate crisis.

#### Church Flowers

The glorious flowers in the Worship Area have been graciously given by Mark Langham in memory of his dear brother-inlaw, Paul Henry, on what would have been his 75th birthday.

Thank you Mark

#### Save Danes Moss

Don't forget the open meeting on Tuesday 30th April 7.30pm at St Michael's to support the campaign to save Dane's Moss from development, which will jeopardise this precious resource for rare species.



Part of the site is an SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest). Although planning permission has been approved, it is not too late to stop the project.

The meeting has been organised by Macctastic and the Save Danes Moss campaign.

#### Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father.

### Join us for Worship



#### Sunday 28th April 2024 Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:00am: Church Family Worship

Leader & Speaker: Licensed Lay Minister Lynne Spedding

Theme: Peter: Living in Freedom

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 taking place on 1st May

#### 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 2nd May: Morning Prayer
9th May: Holy Communion

#### **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**

Every **Friday at 9:20am in the Savage Chapel**, lasting half an hour. An opportunity for quiet prayer followed by a short chat.

#### **Compline/Night Prayer**

**Every Friday** 

Topic: Night Prayer | Time: 8.30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting; <a href="https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?">https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?</a>

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Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: compline

Compline

#### Sponsor the Scarf

Please use the link below to donate towards our "Let's Knit a Scarf to Keep the Church Warm" project.

#### **Click here**

The scarf itself will (obviously) not keep the church warm, but money donated will go towards

our goal of achieving the CoE's target to be carbon-neutral by 2030. Think 'more efficient boiler' and, longer term, 'solar panels' -and please give generously!

## How to contact the office...



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for rota changes, life events

- office@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk to contact
   Elaine for room bookings and building matters
- stmikesnotices@gmail.com for newsletter items
- maccteamprinting@gmail.com for all printing
- <u>safeguarding@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk</u> to contact Katie Wilcock, Parish Safeguarding Officer

In person – The Office, St Michael's Church, Market Place, Macclesfield, SK10 1DY

#### Please note

There will be someone in the office every morning 9.30am – 12.00

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

### Safeguarding Contact Information

Safeguarding

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

Phone: 07438 807213

Email: safeguarding@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk



### Donating to St Michael's

Is easy!



Scan this **QR Code** or use the **contactless donation point** 

#### Email any prayer requests here

(your request will be circulated confidentially to a limited group of people who will pray for you)

