

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

7th June 2026



First Sunday after Trinity

God of truth,
help us to keep your law of love
and to walk in ways of wisdom,
that we may find true life
in Jesus Christ your Son.



St Michael's Eco-tip

5th June is World Environment Day. There's lots going on this weekend and next week to help us engage with and support nature:

Do a **bee walk** <https://beewalk.org.uk/>

Join **Great Big Green Week**
<https://greatbiggreenweek.com/>

If you're on holiday, why not search your local beach with a **shore survey** <https://wildlifetrusts.org/get-involved/citizen-science-projects/shoresearch>

And if you're in church on Sunday the service will have an environmental theme. Young people in Roots will be surveying the wildlife in the churchyard as part of **Churches Count on Nature** <https://arocha.org.uk/churches-count-on-nature-26/>

Peak Pilgrimage 2026

For our local pilgrimage this year we will be repeating a route that we did in 2018 walking the Peak Pilgrimage over four days, from Ilam (where Martin & Catherine used to live!) to Eyam, the plague village.

The first day, **Friday 11th September**, will be from Ilam to Hartington, with a brief reflection at the end of the day in St Giles church. The second day, **Saturday 12th**, will be from Hartington to Monyash with a reflection at St Leonard's.

The third and fourth days will be the following weekend, **Friday 18th** from Monyash to St Peter's, Edensor, and finally on **Saturday 19th** from Edensor to St Lawrence's in Eyam with a reflection at the end of each day. Stops for tea and cake will be planned as well as churches.

We'll share cars, leaving some at the finish of each day to ferry drivers back to the start. We hope that as many people as possible will join us, at least for some of the way. Indeed, you're very welcome to join us for just the reflection at the end of the day, followed by tea & cake, of course!



Here we are nearly 8 years ago. Hips and knees may now be not what they were.

For more info please chat to Paul Spedding, Pete Munro, Taffy Davies or Paul Simms.

Angel
at my Table

Can you do one of these regular tasks to help with the smooth running of our Café,
Angel at my Table

1. Saturdays, 3-4pm: Hoover Welcome Area, mop Kitchen floor, ensure the loos are tidy ready for Sunday worship.
2. Twice weekly: Wash and dry the aprons & tea towels (detergent provided).

Each task takes roughly an hour a week. Please contact Isobel in the Church Office if you can assist.

Music @ Mikes
1.15pm

SATURDAY 13th June

Angel at my Table café will be open for light refreshments.

Free entry but donations are invited jointly for the East Cheshire Hospice and St Michael's Church.



Joel & Emily Whitewood married couple and local Christian leaders are known as '**Today We Are**'. They will be joined by friends as they perform their own songs



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Extraordinary Meeting of Parishioners

In March we had only one person returned as Churchwarden (*thank you Matt!*). For a church as significant, as large and as complex as St Michael's this is far from ideal, especially as we begin to explore the possibility of the Big Project we spoke about at the Annual Meeting.

We will therefore have an **Extraordinary Meeting of Parishioners** at 11.15am (or thereabouts) on Sunday 21st June - ie. after the morning service - to seek to appoint a second warden to assist Matt.

If you feel able to consider fulfilling this role, please speak to Rachel, Matt, or Revd Martin

Confirmation Service

On Sunday 6th September (time TBC), there will be a confirmation service. Confirmation is a chance for those baptised as infants to publicly affirm their faith, and for adults to reaffirm or newly declare their belief. Anyone who has not yet been baptised can also be baptised during the same service.

It's a joyful occasion for the whole church community, so do come along to support those being confirmed. If you'd like to find out more, please speak to a member of the ministry team.

Amplified - Macclesfield-wide Youth event



The next **Amplified** takes place on Sunday at Holy Trinity Church, Hurdsfield. Booking required, via <https://holytrinityhurdsfield.churchsuite.com/events/qkhrhcac>



Starting this coming Sunday afternoon, we're going to be holding weekly Watch-Parties in June and July to follow *The Chosen* - a very impressive depiction of the life of Jesus and the people who encountered him. It really is a remarkable multi-series production!

Anyway, if you want to join us, do come along. %pm start, over by 7pm at the very latest. And we'll have some food too.

Further info from Revd Martin or Tricia A.

All Saints Anglican Cathedral Choir, Nairobi, Kenya to perform in St Michael's

On Tuesday 21st July at 7pm this renowned choir from Kenya is giving a concert at St Michael's Parish Church in aid of the Martyn Donaldson Music Trust. This is part of the choir's tour of England.

Organiser Stephanie Donaldson is the Deputy Head at Kenton College in Nairobi and is a member of the musicians who accompany the choir and is delighted to be bringing the choir to her home town.

The Martyn Donaldson Music Trust has been supporting the music making and general education in Nairobi at Starehe Boys' Centre and Starehe Girls' Centre since 2003. Both centres provide free secondary education to academically-able students from poor and underprivileged backgrounds in Kenya.

Tickets are £15 adults and £12 under 18 and available from Andy and Linda Donaldson. 01625 433187 andy.donaldson@mdmt.org.uk



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Sunday 7th June Church Family Worship

10:00am: The First Sunday after Trinity

(with groups for children and young people).

Leader: Lynne Spedding (LLM)

Speaker: Martin Bancroft (LLM)

President: Revd Vivien Gisby

The service will have an environmental theme.

Use the link below to stream this
(and previous services) on YouTube
www.youtube.com/@stmikesmacclesfield

Sincere apologies for the lack of LiveStream / Recording of last week's **Church Family Worship**. It is galling for me and the AV operator when this is the case - especially since we're aware a number of our regular church members are physically unable to join us in the building on Treacle Sundays.

Martin

Start the Week

Every Monday from 7.30am in church

Morning Prayer at 8.30 am in church and also on

Facebook - [Link to Facebook](#)

Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

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

Next Meetings: **29th April, 13th May**

Thursday 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

11th June: Morning Prayer

18th April: 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



Held in the 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; [Click here to join meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: compline



Share your Photos with St Mike's Church Family



If you've any photos of recent significant birthdays or celebrations which you'd like to share in Church Family News on Sunday mornings, please send them via WhatsApp to this number: **+44 7579 820265**

You can, of course, also email pictures and text to stmikesnotices@gmail.com. The deadline each week is: 12 noon on Wednesdays

How to contact the office...



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