



Open Door



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## Posada

As they travelled to Bethlehem, Mary and Joseph were constantly turned away from entering people's homes.

We want to welcome them.

Hosting Mary, Joseph and the donkey at your house for a night in Advent can be a way of reminding us that Christmas is about the birth of Christ. It can give us at least a few minutes of "time for reflection in darkness, for renewal of hope and for movement towards a beginning."

Please sign up to host the Posada for a night in Advent and indicate whether you are able to transport Mary, Joseph and the donkey to their next home the day after.

Also we need people who are able to transport Mary and Joseph on a different day, on behalf of someone else who may be housebound or busy with family and work commitments.

Talk to Tricia Atherton, or the office and Isobel will forward messages to Tricia.



## Music@Mike's

### Friday 1st November

Johanna Leung (clarinet) and Sonix Duo (clarinet and bassoon) - performing pieces by Beethoven, Poulenc, Alun Cook and others.

### Thursday 7th November

The brilliant young pianist Hyuk Namkoong from Sheffield.

### NB this is a change to the original schedule

Concerts begin at 1.15 and last around 45 minutes  
Entry is free with voluntary donations in aid of the East Cheshire Hospice and St Michael's.

The Angel at my Table café is open for refreshments before and after.

**There is no Music@Mike's on Friday 8th November**



## Service of Prayer for Healing and Wholeness

Members of the Worship & Prayer Team are reinstating the service of Prayer for Healing and Wholeness which sadly fell by the wayside some years ago.

The first such service will be on **Friday 29th November at 11.00am in the Savage Chapel.**

There will be the opportunity for the laying-on of hands, if desired, as well as for individual prayer, which may be for yourself or on behalf of someone you know.

The service will last around 30 minutes.

**Please contact Heike or Barbara for more details.**



## Church Flowers

The beautiful purple and mixed flowers in the Worship Area have been graciously given by Barbara and Steve Taylor in loving memory of their beloved daughter Deborah. Thank you

## Indian Banquet and Cabaret

**Sunday 17th November**

**6.00-9.00pm**

**Fund-raising for our Building Fund**

South Indian cuisine prepared by Esther, Vijay and friends.

Entertainment.

Tickets £20, £8 under15s, £50 family ticket.

Available from the church office, David M, or pay by bank transfer - details on the poster attached along with this Bulletin



## Eco-tip

Check your teabags; many contain plastic. Look for a plastic-free brand, or even better go looseleaf and use a teapot or infuser. And don't forget to compost the tealeaves!



## Pilgrimage 2025

It is really important that you let Paul Spedding or Paul Simms know as soon as possible if you are interested in coming on the residential pilgrimage booked for next September. The urgency is because demand is anticipated to be high and we don't want members of our church family to be disappointed!



Attached along with this Bulletin is a full information sheet: accommodation, costs, etc.. with photographs!

## Collect for the Fourth Sunday before Advent

God of glory,  
touch our lips with the fire of your Spirit,  
that we with all creation  
may rejoice to sing your praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Join us for *Worship*



## Sunday Worship

3rd November 2024

Fourth Sunday before Advent

10:00am: Church Family Worship  
with Holy Communion

Bible Reading: Ruth 1:1-18

Theme: Love, actually

Leader & Speaker: Revd Martin Stephens

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 13th November

## 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

7th November: Holy Communion  
14th November: 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



## 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; [https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdaZz09)

[pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdaZz09](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdaZz09)

Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: compline



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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  
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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:



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