

Events for the weeks 11th — 17th March 2018

Sun 11 th	10.00am	Choir Practice	Choir Vestry
Mon 12 th	10.30am	Everybody Welcome Course	St Michael's
Tue 13 th	7.00pm 7.30pm	Contemplative Prayer Everybody Welcome Course	64 Lansdowne Street St Michael's
Wed 14 th	6.30pm 7.30pm	Junior Choir Practice Full Choir Practice	Choir Vestry Choir Vestry
Thu 15 th	10.00am 10.30am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Toddler Group Holy Communion Everybody Welcome Course Bell ringing	St Michael's Savage Chapel St Michael's Bell Tower
Fri 16 th	9.10am 7.30pm	Contemplative Prayer KEMS Concert Set Up	Savage Chapel Worship Area
Sat 17 th	1.00pm 7.30pm	KEMs Rehearsal KEMs Concert	Worship Area

Services next Sunday (18th March: Fifth Sunday of Lent)

- **9.30am Storytelling Service with Holy Communion**
- **11.00am Holy Communion**



Electronic version of church notice sheet

If you wish to receive the church notice sheet electronically each week, please email stmikesnotices@gmail.com. The notice sheet is also available on the church website: www.stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk



Planned Giving Scheme

St Michael's operates a Planned Giving Scheme, whereby people are encouraged to make a pledge to contribute financially to the work and mission of the Church, making our budgeting easier. It is possible to do this either by using a bank standing order or by using special envelopes which can be given in during the Sunday service. If you would like to join the scheme, please see the Treasurer, Mike Strutt, or any one of the

Please remember these activities in your prayers this week. For more information about any of them, please speak to one of the wardens who should be able to help you.

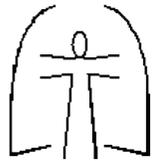
The Collect for Mothering Sunday

God of love,
passionate and strong,
tender and careful:
watch over us and hold us
all the days of our life
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



St Michael & All Angels

Macclesfield Team Ministry



Our Purpose

To journey inward and upward to God, whom we know in Jesus,
To journey outward to other people and to all creation.

Welcome

If you are visiting, we hope you feel at home. A welcome card is available near the entrance or from a sides-person. If you are new, please complete one and hand it to a sides-person, so that we can keep in touch.

Sunday 4th March 2018

Mothering Sunday

10.30am Mothering Sunday Service Belonging to the Family

Leaders Revd Karen Brady & Mike Strutt

Service projected onto screen

Bible passage: John 15.1-17 (page 138)



6.30pm Choral Evensong

Leader Mike Strutt
Speaker Revd Martin Stephens
Bible Readings Exodus 6.2-13
Romans 5.1-11
Hymns MP 528 O worship the king
MP 702 Through all the
changing scenes of life
MP 784 Ye servants of God

Introit Locus Iste (Bruckner)
Anthem Ave Verum Corpus (Byrd)
Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis in E (Murrill)



Refreshments are served on Sundays between the 9.30 & 11.00 services, after the 11.00 service, and also after our monthly Choral Evensong.



Large Print: We have a number of hymn books and notice sheets in large print format.



Induction loop: St Michael's is fitted with an induction loop; please speak to a Warden if you need assistance with this.



A children's area is available in the Legh Chapel (on RH side as you come into the church) for children under supervision, during services and at other times. There are bags with books and toys for small children.



Roots: Our young people's groups in the 9.30 and 11.00am services are known as "Roots". The young people leave and return to the main service at given points.



Gluten-free wafers are available at all Communion services at this church. If you require these, please say "gluten-free" when you take communion.



We are a Fairtrade Church committed to using only Fairtrade tea & coffee.



Tokens of Giving
As a sign that you give by Standing Order to the cost of mission & ministry at St Michael's, you are encouraged to pick up a glass pebble on your way into Church, and add it to the basket as the Offertory is taken.

Key Events and Notices



Church Flowers

NEW

The lovely flowers in the Nave have been graciously given by Vicky Darlington in loving memory of her dear Mother and Father. Thank you Vicky!

Contemplative Prayer

NEW

The next meeting of the Sunday evening Contemplative Prayer Group will be held



on March 18th at Eve and David Budgett's house, 25, High Tree Drive, Henbury. (tel. 431606), at the usual time of 7:00 p.m. The theme will be Bach's 'St Matthew Passion'. All are welcome. (Please let Eve or David know if you are planning to come).

Fairtrade Stall Mothering Sunday

Karen Downard from Holy Trinity Church will be holding a Fairtrade stall in the narthex today: 11th March (Mothering Sunday).

Please support this initiative.

Obviously—you can buy some last-minute presents for your mum!



Second Sunday Discussion

There will be **NO** Second Sunday discussion today as it is Mothering Sunday.

Riding Lights & New Wine...

...present "Where Adventure Begins": an original, moving and hilarious new play about teenagers, families and discipleship. The production is on tour at St Philip's Church in Salford on Wednesday 21st March; tickets £10. Contact David Mayers (420716) if you would like to go, or book on-line at <https://www.new-wine.org/events/where-adventure-begins-faith-family-salford-greater-manchester>



Thank you to all the lovely people of St Michael's who gave me First Aid equipment and donations to take to Rwanda in January. I'm planning an event because so many people have asked me

"How did the trip go?". On Sunday April 8th I will say a few words during the service of Morning Prayer and afterwards I'll give a photo presentation about all the wonderful things that are happening in Village Rwanda. There will be light refreshments.



A Talk entitled 'Recycling in Cheshire East' by Lucinda Hodges, Waste Education Officer at ANSA.

Thursday 19th April, 7:30 pm at

St Peter's Church, Windmill St. Lucinda recently gave a very well received talk on this topic at St Michael's and this is a second opportunity to raise your understanding of recycling to a new level. By the end of the evening you should be in no doubt as to what can and can't go into your Silver Bin! The talk will go beyond just recycling from the kitchen and will include a Bathroom Quiz. There will be pictures and videos of the UPM recycling plant at Shotton so we can see what happens to all the stuff we put in our Silver Bin and of course there will be a chance to put your questions about recycling to Lucinda.

"Everybody Welcome" Course Prayer

Heavenly Father,
you have welcomed us into your kingdom
and your heart's desire is to draw
every human being to yourself.
Grant us clear eyes to see people as you see them,
sensitive feet to stand in their shoes,
and warm smiles to welcome them in your name.
Give us generous hearts,
that our church becomes a foretaste of heaven
where every soul you send us finds their loving home
in the community of Your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Extended Opening Hours

If you are able to help out volunteering to keep the church open in the afternoons until 2.30pm please sign up on the noticeboard at the back of church. We need two people on together to make this viable.



Annual Church Meeting

Advanced notice: this year our Annual Meeting (APCM) will take place at the new time of 10:30am on Sun 15th April. More info to come, but nomination forms for the election of churchwardens and Church Council members are now up at the back of church.



Church Council

The next meeting of the Church Council is on 22nd March. Minutes of the last meeting are on the noticeboard at the back of church.



Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll is being revised for the Annual Parish Church Meeting (APCM). Please let me know of any changes by 11th March via a Warden or the Church Office. Many thanks.



David Budgett, Electoral Roll Officer.

Deadline for contributions to the notice sheet: 12 noon the preceding Wednesday.
E-mail: stmikesnotices@gmail.com or hand in to the Team Office. Thank you.

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