ST MIKE'S BULLETIN

12TH JANUARY 2025











As a result of the lighting project (see below and accompanying document) the next lunchtime concert is on Friday 21st March.

Apologies, but at least you will then be able to read your programmes more easily and, more importantly the musicians their music!



Vivien's Welcome Service



Please note that Bishop Sam will be attending this

Sunday's (12th) Choral Evensong. He will be preaching and will also be formally welcoming Revd Vivien Gisby to St Michael's.

It would be lovely if as many as possible could come along to share this event, and - of course - to enjoy Choral Evensong!



Choral Evensong
Sunday 12th January
6.30pm

The Lighting Project Begins!

Monday 13th January sees the start of work on our new lighting system.

For the duration of the works (about 8 weeks), there will be NO ACCESS to the Worship Area from Sunday evening (10.00pm) until approximately 5.00pm on Friday afternoon.

Visitors will be able to access the worship area on Saturdays and we will continue with Sunday worship as usual (unless otherwise notified).

For full details of the impact of the work on parking, midweek services, the café, etc., please read the accompanying document.

LETS: 19th January

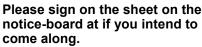


Don't forget that **Let's Eat Together** Sunday is next week,**19th November**.

Don't eat alone on Sunday - bring some food and eat with others, maybe sharing if you wish.

Newcomers especially welcome: don't worry if you haven't any food - there's usually plenty.

Film Evenings 2025



come along.

Friday 24th January: 'One Life' based on the true and deeply moving

story of Nicholas Winton and his rescue of 669 predominantly Jewish children from the Nazis. Starring Anthony Hopkins, Johnny Flynn and Helena Bonham-Carter. Even if you saw this at the cinema when it was released last year, it's **well** worth another viewing.

Friday 7th February: 'Marvellous' - based on the true story of Neil Baldwin who refused to accept the label of learning difficulties and forged an amazing life as circus clown, lay preacher, university welfare officer and kitman for Stoke City FC. Starring Toby Jones. A funny and moving film.

Friday 28th February - by popular demand, sing-along-a-Mama Mia! (date now confirmed)

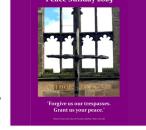
More details will be on the sign-up sheet - location of which to be confirmed (owing to closure of the nave!)

The evenings start at 6.30pm and include tea and cakes!

Prayer Vigil for Peace at St Alban's

Saturday 18th January 8.00-9.00pm

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



In a world riven by war and violence it is important to pray for peace, and remind ourselves of the 'tapestry of hope' that also exists in the world

18th January is the eve of Peace Sunday for the Roman Catholic Church It is also the first day of the WPCU (Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18-25 January).

Eco-tip

Bin the clingfilm; check out reusable waxcoated fabric food coverings



Collect for the First Sunday of Epiphany

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.

Join us for Worship



Sunday Worship

12th January 2025
The First Sunday after Epiphany

10:00am: Church Family Worship

Leader & Speaker: LLM Lynne Spedding

6.30pm Choral Evensong
Welcome service for Revd Vivien Gisby

Leader: Revd Martin Stephens Speaker: Bishop Sam

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.

May be subject to change owing to lighting work
Next Meeting: Wednesday 22nd 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

16th January: Holy Communion 23rd 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

Contemplative Prayer

For the duration of the lighting works, we will meet n **SATURDAY** mornings (not Friday) from 9.20-9.50. An opportunity for quiet prayer followed by a short chat.

Compline

Compline/Night Prayer

Every Friday

Topic: Night Prayer | Time: 8.30 pm Join Zoom Meeting; https://

<u>us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?</u> pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdaZz09

Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: compline

Most activities during the week at church should be unaffected by the lighting works, but please check if you are in doubt. However, **Contemplative Prayer** will take place on <u>Saturday</u> mornings rather than Friday (9.20-9.50 in the Savage Chapel).

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

How to contact the office...



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- Safeguarding see box below

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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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