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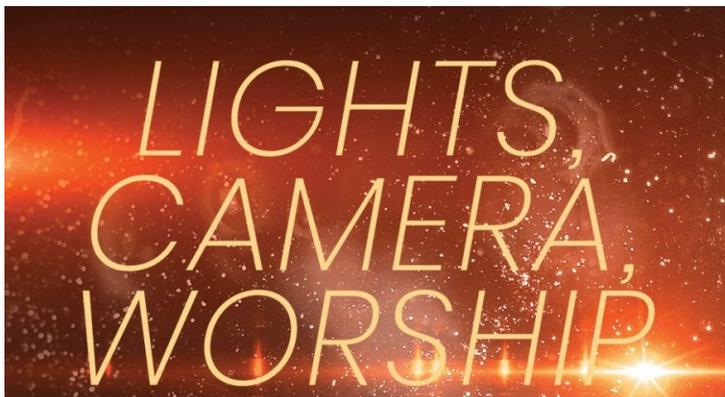
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Open Door



Clearly the main news this week is that St Michael's building will be open once more for public worship!

Open for Public Worship

From this Sunday onwards, we are able to meet in the building for public worship .. but you don't have to. Indeed, the reality is that 'returning to the building' will not be a return to things as they were. For example, the seating arrangement is different, and there won't be a robed choir for many weeks or months to come.

Whilst some people are eager to re-enter the building for worship, others are more hesitant. Still others are simply unable to attend, perhaps because they're included in the 'clinically extremely vulnerable' group, or shielding someone who is. Or they've been told to self-isolate following a call from 'track and trace'. So for all these reasons we will be running 'merged worship'.

Merged Worship

Not an elegant name I know, but an expression of the intention for St Michael's Church to worship together in a way which includes as many people as possible. *You all know the lengths to which we've gone to achieve this since lockdown; why should we stop now?*

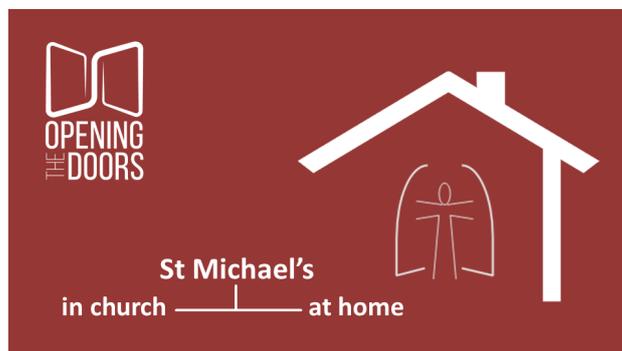
Zoom has been an amazing resource for many during lockdown and we want to continue using it in parallel with people in the

building. Those who want to worship in the building can; those who would feel safer to stay at home can join via Zoom. The Breakout Rooms have been really popular and these will continue, both before and after the service, whilst those in the building will be able to chat with others (if from a distance).

Elsewhere in this newsletter Paul Spedding explains the practical arrangements introduced in the building to comply with the nationally-set guidelines. In terms of the worship there'll be familiarity with recent weeks:

- we will continue using the simple order for Morning Prayer we've been using;
- we will continue having a pre-recorded Bible storytelling;
- we will continue having a range of people contribute to the service.

Although we will continue to have three pre-recorded songs, the reality is that (according to the guidelines) if you wish to sing heartily then you should be choosing to stay at home.



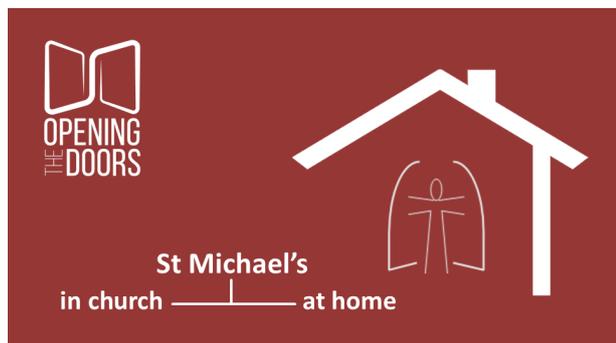
Whichever way you join us – in person or via Zoom – I am very much looking forward to seeing you on Sunday. Please do pray for our service: for those involved in leading it and for those managing 'the tech' behind it.

More than that though, please pray for our church community. Pray for God's protection, strength and blessing on us as we worship Him.

May God bless us all,
Martin

Can I ...	via Zoom at home	live, in the building
... join the St Michael's community in worship?	✓	✓
... wear your PJs?	✓	!
... hear the bells ringing as you arrive?	✗	✓
... see who else is worshipping?	✓	✓
... lead the prayers or do the Bible reading?	✓	✓
... sing heartily?	✓	✓
... see and chat with others?	✓	✓
... worship God?	Absolutely!	

St Michael's Merged Worship 12th July 2020
at 10.00am **Join in person in church or by clicking on the image below from 9.45am**



Meeting ID: 939 7279 7379 Password: 01625

Service Leader: Lynne Spedding
Talk: Martin Stephens
Reading: **Matthew 13.1-9,18-23**

You will have the opportunity to talk to a smaller group in a break out room at the end of the service.

Can't join us live either in church or on Zoom?

Watch the recording at a time to suit you after Sunday lunchtime [here](#)

No Computer? No problem!

You can still join any of these Zoom meetings and services with your landline phone

If phoning:



Dial **0330 088 5830**.

When prompted, enter the **Meeting ID** from any of these boxes **followed by #**

[For Sunday's service: 939 7279 7379]

When prompted, enter #



Email any [prayer requests](#) here:

This week's lectionary readings:-

Resources for adults:

www.rootsontheweb.com/adultsathome12jul

Resources for families:

www.rootsontheweb.com/familiesathome12jul

JOIN US ON

CONNECT WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY

Wednesday Morning Discussion

Join Zoom meeting [here](#)

Meeting ID: 911 712 4669

Password: Vruk116200

Hosted by Tricia & Martin

Save these details for next week



Men's Meet-up Meeting:

When? 8pm for 75 minutes on alternate Wednesday evenings

Dates: 8th & 22nd July

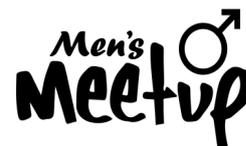
Join Zoom Meeting [here](#)

Meeting ID: 912 6715 2374

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Particularly aimed at those of working age (whether on furlough, unemployed or working flat-out). Nothing heavy – at least not at this stage – but just the opportunity to share life and faith with others in a similar situation.

Save these details for next time



Thursday Homegroup

We are meeting via Zoom at 7.30pm.

We are continuing with our study of Luke's Gospel. Any one is welcome to join for Bible Study, prayer and fellowship, including by phone. For details, including the Zoom link, please contact David Mayers by [email](#) or by phone 01625 420716 or 07963 802 659

Dates

for your Diary

Reclaiming our streets

Do you want to go back to the old "normal"; or stand up for something better?



A petition has been started to show support for the campaign to set 20mph speed limits on most of our residential streets in towns and villages across Cheshire East. It has been set up by Macctastic – a sustainability action group in Macclesfield – on behalf of Cheshire East Climate Alliance (which brings together local sustainability groups from across Cheshire East).

This has been done in dozens of councils across the UK with great success, making our streets safer for all road users, encouraging active travel and protecting the most vulnerable members of our society (more information [here](#) if needed).

Coming on the back of the quieter roads we all enjoyed during lockdown, we think this is the ideal time for this initiative and there is a great deal of public support for it.

It's not the only way we can reduce our dependence on cars and lorries and improve our air quality, but it's probably the quickest and cheapest. It will complement perfectly the limited initiatives being introduced by Cheshire East over the next few weeks and months in response to the Covid-19 crisis – such as closing streets to vehicles to promote active travel and enable social distancing. It would make a huge difference to the streets where we all live, work and play. The petition will show our councillors there is real public support for this and make sure they vote in favour. Click [here](#), or go to change.org and search for 20splenty in Cheshire East



The bees have been busy while we have been away.....

Thanks in large part to the beautiful displays of wild flowers in our two raised beds in the churchyard. Created by Lynne Spedding and her glamorous assistants Paul Spedding and Dek Kite, they have been looking wonderful this summer. That's the flowers, not Paul and Dek!

David Mayers

The digital divide

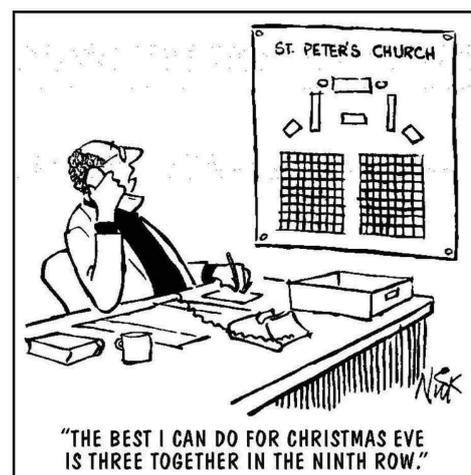
As part of the Make a Difference campaign, local BBC radio stations are highlighting the issue of families without digital devices and those charities and companies that are 'making a difference' to help children with their learning.

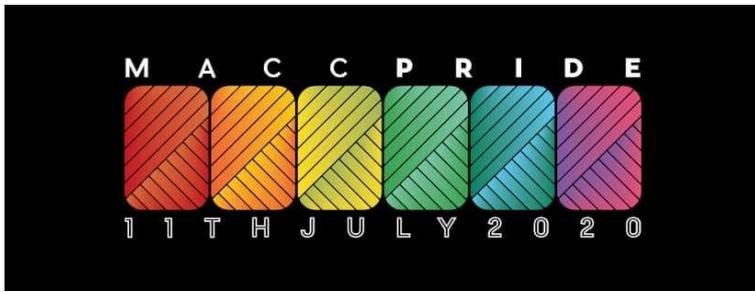
Recent estimates suggest there are around a million families across the UK without adequate access to a device or connectivity at home. There are around 700,000 young people who do not have the skills or devices they need to properly complete their homework.

The Department for Education has been working to supply more than 200,000 laptops to disadvantaged children in England as well as access to 4G routers for families with disadvantaged secondary school pupils that have no mobile or broadband access. Many charities and companies have now set up schemes to accept donations of old laptops, tablets and phones to supply to schools. If you have a spare device or laptop that you no longer use, will you consider donating it for this project so that a young person may be able to better access their education? For further information on the charities and organisations you can donate to, please click [here](#)

Our faiths teach us that our planet, with its rich resources and inspiring diversity, is lent to us on trust only and we are accountable for how we treat it. We are urgently and inescapably responsible, not just before God but to our own children and the very future of humanity.

An open letter to the UK Government
signed by UK faith leaders





Macc Pride 2020 has been postponed until next year; a new date has been confirmed for Saturday July 10th 2021. But they are pleased to announce that they are organising an online event this Saturday 11th July. Please visit their [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) to join in with the online programme of events.

They will be showing a programme of musical performances, talks and messages throughout the afternoon on Saturday, but they need your input in between! Please send them photos and short video clips of whatever you choose to do to join in MaccPride ONLINE, to maccpride@gmail.com "If you get the flags out, dress up and hold your own local Pride on the Drive or Home Pride... PLEASE make sure you keep it local, safe and socially distanced. We want a safe MaccPride, that's why we aren't all gathering together this year. So get out there, entertain your neighbours and keep Pride alive in our town...we look forward to seeing what you do!"

As happened last year, St Michael's would have been open throughout the event. Tricia has recorded a special message from the church which forms part of our way of contributing to the online event.



To hear the message Tricia has recorded, please click on her image (left)

How welcoming are we?

In this Church House Blog, Engagement and Inclusion Officer, Vanessa Layfield, recalls how her first day at University taught her about not making assumptions about anyone based on the colour of their skin or choice of dress.

On my first day at University as a student social worker, the late Reverend Professor Dr Bernard Moss, (some of you may remember him) handed each of us two sheets of A4 paper. The first piece of paper had 12 photographs of individual people of various ethnic backgrounds, each wearing different forms of attire. The second piece of paper had a list of 12 occupations. Yes, our given task was to link the person in the photograph to their occupation. This was our first lesson in not making assumptions about anyone based on the colour of their skin or their choice of dress.

Imagine the scenario: You are a white member of clergy attending an interview for the position of a parish priest within a predominantly Asian community. After the interview, you're told that despite your obvious skills, your face won't fit. Think about it for a few minutes. How would that make you feel?

How would you feel as a white priest living in a predominantly black community, when parents bringing their baby for baptism ask for the 'proper' vicar to come and baptise their child – meaning your black colleague? When you think of Jesus and his disciples do you picture a group of young white men? Well we can be pretty certain that their ethnicity was not White European as we depict in art, iconography and dramatisations! What does this thought mean for the message we share and who we think able to share it?



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Today, my daughter and my 6-month-old black granddaughter went for a walk around our local mere. We met a number of people, all who seemed friendly and happy to chat, albeit from a distance! "Aren't people friendly?" I said. "that's because you look like them Mum" she replied. It brought me up short. Will they be as friendly and accepting of our little one as she grows up based upon no other information than the appearance of her skin? How welcoming are we to those who identify as being from a black and minority ethnic community? As the Inclusion Officer for the Diocese of Chester, I pray that each of us will value and celebrate diversity. The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ, and I pray that we will live out each of the five marks of mission, two of which include: To respond to human need by loving service and to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation. Paul writes in his letter to the Galatians 3:28: "There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

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Do you believe in God?

Obviously I do, or I wouldn't be writing this to a church newsletter, but I have many friends who don't. My faith (and this is not a testimony) comes from things that have happened in my life.

I've been helping with the stewardship rota as we tentatively open our church for private prayer. Last week a lady came into church showing some distress because she wanted to pray for two close relatives that had been ill recently. One had been diagnosed with cancer this week after she had prayed the previous week that the tests her aunt was having would prove negative. Sadly, they were not. What does one say? I'm not a counsellor but felt sad for her and felt I had to say something. The conversation then went on a completely different tact. "I've drawn you!" she said! She then showed me a picture on her mobile phone that she had painted recently. "That's you" she said again and pointed to a central image on the picture. She went on: - "Before I moved to Macclesfield I had a very vivid dream. I thought I was standing inside a massive forest of giant silver birch trees. The trees were all swaying and I could hear this amazing music.

I then realised that the trees were actually gigantic angels, around 50 foot tall dressed in long white robes with short curly hair. Every angel was singing to a fiery white force and we were inside the biggest white room you could ever imagine. The angels never took their eyes of the living white fire. Each angel's body was also a sort of musical instrument and everything swayed and sang in harmony with one another.

In the room I was in was a massive feathered creature with brown fluffy wings all over it. Each feather had an eye on it and the feathers and eyes also fluttered in harmony with the music and the living white fire thing.

I began to realise I must be seeing some vision of heaven. I thought to myself "Where is Jesus?"

I was looking for a man with black hair and a beard and I could see no-one in the room. I then looked at myself and felt really heavy as I was still made of flesh. I felt I was not clean enough to be in this room and so I knelt down. I was worried I may be dead but it seemed I was not. I had just been brought to look at this place.

I saw a white egg shape fire appear next to the living white fire and I saw a shadow figure of Jesus in there, moving around and



talking to two other men."

The above is only half her story. After listening, I again thought "What do I say"?

Her picture she painted having had her dream is above. You can make up your own minds. Was it just a dream or was it more? I know what some of my friends who are non-believers would think, whilst others will probably have an open mind. I thought of the passage in Samuel from the Old Testament (Samuel 1:3 v 1-18)

I'm pleased to be opening church for private prayer. Sarah said I could use her name. (I only found it out afterwards). Only a few use the church facility for private prayer but if it is consolation to one person, or to me, then it is worthwhile!

PS: I'm the guy in the middle looking up at the three men. Sarah is below looking up with the angels to my right. Sarah also said I could show you her picture in case you were wondering? Also, I have a full transcript of her dream if you wish to ask me for it.

David Smith



His 'n' Hers Haircuts

So Kevin was very brave and let me cut his hair. The real miracle was that we managed to secure some hair clippers -finally - which meant I didn't have to resort to our multi purpose scissors for the task!

I finally got my appointment at the salon this week and poof, just like that, the grey is gone!

And even the infamous goats in Llandudno are queuing up (socially distanced of sorts!) for their appointment at the baa-rbers. Ed





Start the Week Returns

This morning, Monday 6th July 2020, we returned to church following the lockdown. Our "regulars" are delighted we are back in the building. As I write this for the newsletter, and following Lynne's message to us last Sunday, I am reminded of God's love for us and the importance of drawing close to him in prayer. These verses from Lamentations and the hymn written by John Keble (Feast day 14 July) come to mind. It is this love we wish to share.

Start the Week is a prayer based ministry for the town of Macclesfield and beyond. Every Monday morning we open the church doors by 7.30am. We are here for the community looking outwards and providing a safe space for people to come in and start their week either in prayer, or by talking with someone. We are able to offer a drink (sadly no breakfast at present). There are prayers every half hour for five minutes which follow the Church of England cycle of prayer, with a short service of Morning Prayer at 8.30am lasting about 15 minutes. At the moment we are closing for 10am to allow cleaning before church opens for Private Prayer at 11am.

Everyone is welcome to come to church for prayer, to join the service and a chat with someone who will listen to you.

If you would like to join the team being available in providing this ministry or to find out more information please contact myself.

Every blessing

Sallie Bancroft salliemartin88@gmail.com

Lamentation 3:22-23

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases;
His mercies never come to an end;
They are new every morning;
Great is your faithfulness.

Ready to Listen

Our listeners who attended the recent training are now available in church ready to listen to anyone in need.

Available in church when it is open each day 11am to 3pm.

Professional Telephone Listening Service

The Hope Centre
Registered Charity 1140845

07958181927

10am - 4pm every day



READY TO LISTEN!



Hymn by John Keble

1. New every morning is the love our waking and uprising prove; through sleep and darkness safely brought, restored to life and power and thought.
2. New mercies each returning day around us hover while we pray, new perils past, new sins forgiven, new thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.
3. If on our daily course our mind be set to hallow all we find, new treasures still of countless price God will provide for sacrifice.
4. The trivial round, the common task, will furnish all we ought to ask, room to deny ourselves, a road to bring us daily nearer God.
5. Only, O Lord, in thy dear love, fit us for perfect rest above, and help us, this and every day to live more nearly as we pray.

Only in a bar in Ireland!



Spare EPSON Printer Cartridges to give away due to purchase of a different type of printer:



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The Glorious 12th

After four months of lockdown, we will finally be opening the doors of St Michael's for communal worship from this Sunday!

We will be holding our first service in church this Sunday, 12th July at **10:00am**. (Please note the time – this is the only service that day). This service will also be shared on *Zoom*, so if you don't feel sure about venturing back into St Michael's you can continue to participate from your own home, as has been the case in recent weeks.

We have also set an initial limit of 50 on the number of people permitted in the building. This will probably increase as we become more familiar with the procedures.

Below are the measures we've taken to ensure the church is safe for everyone but obviously people will have to decide for themselves and attend at their own risk. If you decide to come into the building, here are a few things to bear in mind:

- Please arrive a little early as it will take a little bit longer than usual to make sure everyone is seated safely whilst ensuring social distancing.
- We will make sure we have your contact details (name & phone number) just in case.
- We will ask you to wash your hands if possible (or use hand sanitiser as a second best). The toilet will be equipped with anti-viral sprays.
- There will be a one-way system operating.
- The chairs are set out with at least 2 metres between rows. Our Welcomers will ask you to sit distanced from other people with at least three empty chairs between people (apart from those in your "bubble").
- Mask or face coverings are not essential though you may wish to bring one.
- We won't be using hymns books etc. You will be (safely) given a service sheet and the screen will also be in use. Please take the service sheet home at the end and dispose of it safely.
- There will be music but unfortunately, we aren't allowed to sing (though you can quietly but tunefully mumble to yourself!)
- Unfortunately, the Legh Chapel, with its children's toys etc, will not be open and Roots group will not be operating.
- The kitchen will not be in use so, if you wish, please bring your own refreshments. You can socialise after the service in the church or churchyard, but you **must** maintain social distancing.

Paul Spedding

THANK YOU!

To all our volunteers who have been helping to keep St Michael's building open for private prayer these past few weeks. If you would like to get involved, please contact Paul Spedding and let him know your availability. Tel: 01625 614819 or [email him](#)

Giving to the work and worship of St Michael's

Click here to donate towards our church's ministry →



As we re-open for public worship we will also be starting to rebook baptisms that have been on hold. Please pray for these families as they decide what is best for them and work within the current rules and restrictions. We are improving our Wi-Fi in church to help us with the streaming of our public worship, but we also hope that will help us to enable families to share their special event in church with all the family and friends who cannot attend due to the capped number of 30 in church.

Loving God,
Be with us as we begin
to see what is possible.
Help us to show your love
to couples and families;
Inspire us to understand
their hopes and dreams.
Uphold us when we feel weary,
comfort us when we feel overwhelmed.
Bless us as we bless others.
This day and always.
Amen.

On my week off I managed to a trip to see Karen and catch up with her in Runcorn. We met at her VERY lovely vicarage which should be finished to move into at the end of this month. I ran out of superlatives as we did the tour to describe the house. It is magnificent. She also showed me her beautiful church building and the churchyard which had beautiful roses all in bloom and giving off the most wonderful scent all along the path up to the church door. Here she is pictured next to her church board, now with her name adorned on it. I think we can safely say she is now the vicar of St Michael & All Angels, Runcorn. She sends her love to everyone and hopes to be able to let us know soon when she might have her official induction in the church building for those who might like to attend or join via video link.

Sue



Confirmation of Election

Bishop Mark Tanner will be confirmed as the Bishop of Chester **at 11am on Wednesday 15 July**. The service is the point at which Bishop Mark legally becomes the Bishop of Chester, although he is expected to take up his public duties in September. All are welcome to watch the service, which will be broadcast entirely online due to Covid-19 restrictions.



The service will include music from Chester Cathedral's Nave Choir, a reading and prayers from young people in the diocese, and the new Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell will give the address. Prayers will be offered for Bishop Mark, the Diocese of Chester, the Northern Province of the Church of England, and for our country, as well as for the wider world.

Commenting on the service, Bishop Mark said: "I am so grateful that we can gather in prayer and worship as we begin this next phase in the life of Chester Diocese. During the lockdown, as so much has been stripped away, we have glimpsed some of the ways Christ holds out hope and love and invites each of us. This is the hope and peace in which we meet and it will be lovely if you can join us."

The service will be broadcast on the diocesan website [here](#) or on the Diocesan YouTube channel [here](#)

Diocese Launches Podcast



Called Chester Box, it is currently available on Spotify, Google podcasts, Radio public, and will be made available on other platforms soon.

You can hear interviews, reflections and discussion

from local people.

Currently available to listen to is the first episode in a series exploring everyday faith in the Diocese of Chester. In episode one, presented by Archdeacon Mike, we ask the question: is the relationship between church and community stronger or weaker because of the recent coronavirus crisis that we've faced? Joining Archdeacon Mike to discuss the question are three church leaders with different experiences of parish life across the diocese.

A team from Church House is also developing a series about youth ministry in which young people will talk about their own faith journeys, and what it is they've learned about themselves and God over the past few months.

There will also be occasional reflections and interviews with a range of people from across the diocese, all available to listen to on Spotify.

If you are a Spotify user, simply search Chester Box, and "follow" the podcast. New episodes will appear there as they're published.

The Spotify URL for the Chester Box podcast is [here](#)



"Go back to church if you can, when you can but don't leave this lockdown, this darkness, only to imprison yourself in a new lockdown of church, committees and maintenance. If we have learned anything, let it be that our buildings are one small part of the full revelation of God and we shouldn't allow ourselves to become obsessed with what happens in them."

Bereavement, unemployment, sadness... it might feel like the darkness is closing in. Yet, despite the suffering and difficulties, perhaps it is just the start of the journey to something better.

Archdeacon Ian reminds us of the first chapter in the Gospel of St John: "The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it," and says, "whatever darkness you might know in your life today, I hope you can hold on to St John's promise."

Looking ahead to the time when we can meet for public worship again, Ian says: "I hope that we will return with a greater

awareness that Christ is not locked down in a building, however beautiful that might be, his presence, his light, is all around us illuminating this world he has made and if we just look we will see and we can wonder...if we have learned anything, let it be that our buildings are but one small part of the full revelation of God and we should not allow ourselves to become obsessed with what happens in them."

To watch and listen to Ian's talk, click on his image (to the left) (6 minutes)



Our New Mayor for Macclesfield



Cllr Sarah Bennet-Wake was elected as Mayor of Macclesfield on 29th June 2020. The Deputy Mayor is Cllr David Edwardes, an Independent candidate. The Mayoress is Mrs Stella Wake-Bennett and the Mayor's Chaplain is Fr Peter Burke. The Mayor's Theme for her year in office is: Kindness.

Mayor's bio

Sarah will share her term of office with her wife Stella. The couple first met at a coffee bar and celebrate their 25th Blessing Anniversary this year. Since meeting in 1993 they have had several ceremonies to seal their relationship a Blessing at Pride in 1995, a Commitment Ceremony in 2003 to help the Civil Partnership Bill go through, a Civil Partnership in 2005, they were, finally, officially married in 2014.

Stella is an environmental health practitioner and after a long career in catering, she has been instrumental in helping set up a food delivery service, from The Green in the Corner Community Cafe, for vulnerable people living in Hurdsfield and beyond. Sarah acts as her commis chef peeling vegetables and cleaning the café on Saturday mornings. The couple have a grown-up daughter and a cat.

On leaving school, Sarah entered the Civil Service before returning to full time education studying Media and Cultural Studies with Politics, of course! Since completing her PGCE Sarah taught learners from 5 to 95 working, mainly in Adult and Community Education before being made redundant. She now enjoys her role as a Teaching Assistant at Puss Bank Primary School and Nursery School supporting children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.

Sarah was elected as the Town Councillor for Hurdsfield in May 2019, serving on the Personnel and Services Committees as well as occasionally chairing full council meetings and attending civic events on behalf of the Mayor. Along with her duties as a Town Councillor, Sarah is a Director of the Green in the Corner Community Café and Library where she regularly volunteers. She is particularly proud of the community garden and hopes to extend the veg patch to help the café become more sustainable in the future.

The two Mayor's Charities are both Macclesfield based Cre8 and Macclesfield Seals Swimming Club. Cre8 has been one of the local charities that have stepped up to the plate during the Covid-19 crisis, organising Fare Share food deliveries throughout Macclesfield. They also run a variety of community projects to encourage health and wellbeing through music, education and access to green spaces growing plants and vegetables.

The Seals are a Macclesfield swimming group established in 1957 for children and adults with disabilities. Their motto is 'Disability, not inability' providing a safe supportive environment for anyone with any disability to swim or just being in the water. The main aim of the Seals is to have fun! This active group has kept in touch throughout the Covid-19 crisis via social media keeping each other going and in good spirits.

The Mayor's theme for the year will be kindness. This was inspired by Puss Bank pupils who identified so many different definitions of kindness as part of World Kindness Day activities at the school. If ever there was a time for kindness, it is now. During the Covid-19 crisis we have seen so many acts of kindness from our community volunteers, key workers, carers, and NHS staff.

But kindness has many forms; being kind to yourself in staying at home, keeping yourself healthy in both body and mind – forgiving yourself when this is difficult for these are difficult times.

Being kind to each other: a smile as you walk past socially distancing, by being a considerate neighbour. Remember not everyone is having a good day, people are grieving, sick or scared, so be kind; smile, help where you can, ask when you need it. Keep in touch with your family and loved ones and with those who are isolated and lonely. Be kind to everyone regardless of differences because we all deserve to be safe and happy in our communities, wherever they are.

Be kind to our environment and wildlife – we are so lucky to live so close to the countryside in Macclesfield.

Throughout the crisis we have learned to appreciate nature more, listening to the birds, letting the wild-flowers grow, watching the skies clear. Let us continue to be kind to the environment by continuing to walk and cycle, to plant and grow.

Our kindness will build community, strength of mind and begin to heal the hurt as we return to the new normal over the coming year. Be kind, be safe, care.

Cllr Sarah Bennet-Wake

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