

Events for the weeks 14th—20th January 2018

Sun 14 th	10.00am	Choir Practice	Choir Vestry
Mon 15 th	7.30pm	Housegroup	85 Beech Lane
Wed 17 th	6.30pm 7.30pm	Junior Choir Practice Full Choir Practice	Choir Vestry Choir Vestry
Thu 18 th	10.30am 7.30pm	Holy Communion Bell ringing	Savage Chapel Bell Tower
Fri 19 th	9.10am	Contemplative Prayer	Savage Chapel

Services next Sunday (21st January: Third Sunday of Epiphany)

- 9.30am Storytelling Service
- 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



Scout and Guide Groups

Macclesfield Parish Church Scout and Guide Group provides youth activities throughout the week for young people aged from 5 - 26 as well as flexible volunteering opportunities for adults. For more details visit www.mpcsg.co.uk or email enquiries@mpcsg.co.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 sidespeople.



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 the Second Sunday of Epiphany

Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in 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 14th January 2018

9.30am Storytelling Service

Leader	Mike
Storyteller	Jo or Simon
Story	The boy Jesus at the temple
Songs	I will offer up my life Be not afraid
Adult Leader	Mike
Roots Leader	Sue

11.00am Morning Prayer including the baptism of Maisie Lawton-Alcock

Leader	Revd Martin Stephens
Speaker	Mike Strutt
Bible Readings	1 Samuel 3:1-10 John 1:43-51
Hymns	Song Book 22 In Christ alone

Second Sunday of Epiphany

Ps 117 (Song Book yellow section 4) Go out
MP 111 Dear Lord and Father
Song Book 42 Will you come and follow me?
MP 445 Lord, the light of your love
Roots Leaders Jonny & Rachel

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Leader Neil Raval
Speaker Revd Martin Stephens
Bible Readings Isaiah 60:9-22
Hebrews 6:17-7:10
Psalm 96 (p. 403)
Hymns MP 204 Hail to the Lord's anointed
MP 529 O worship the Lord
MP 16 All my hope
Introit O Lord, increase my faith (Gibbons)
Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis Stanford in B b
Anthem Virga Jesse floruit (Bruckner)



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



David Wightman's Funeral

David's funeral will be on Friday 26th January. There will be private service at the

crematorium at 10.40am, for family and invited friends only.

At 1.00pm a Service of Thanksgiving for David's life will be held at St Michael's Church, to which all are welcome.

NEW



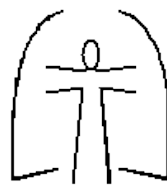
New Discipleship/ Housegroup Starting

If you've made a New Year decision to grow in your

faith in 2018 then you should find joining a housegroup invaluable. Talk to David Mayers, David Budgett or Joyce Millard about joining their existing ones, or come to 85 Beech Lane, 7.30-9.15pm on alternate Monday evenings (this month 15th and 29th January).

Further details from Martin & Catherine.

NEW



Open Door Extended Hours

We would love to have our church open for longer on weekdays; as an experiment we have been opening from 1230 – 1430

on an occasional basis and have welcomed lots of new visitors. Some have come to say a prayer, others have been visitors from outside the town who have been delighted to find the church open, and some have been local people interested in times of services and other activities. We need 2 people to volunteer for each 1 hour slot. Please sign up on the list on the notice-board at the back of church.



Second Sunday Discussion

Today, after the 11.00am service, an opportunity to discuss the readings and sermon from the service of Morning Prayer. This will take place in the Savage Chapel, and will finish by 1.00pm at the latest. Do come along, and bring your tea/coffee with you!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Sunday Coffee— Help Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help with coffee on a Sunday morning. If you would like to help occasionally please contact Mark Langham on 511839.

NEW



Service of Prayer for Christian Unity

As part of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity a Service for Christian Unity will take place on Sunday 21st January at 3.00pm at Macclesfield

Methodist Church. The preacher is Major Gareth Dickens from the Salvation Army. Everyone welcome.

NEW



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Get ready! Lent is on the way!

For our Lent Course this year we will be using 'Everybody Welcome', a four-session series to help

our church community become even more welcoming.

We're running the course at three distinct times each week, to make it as easy as possible for everybody to attend the four sessions.

The weekly sessions are at 10.30am on Mondays, 7.30pm on Tuesdays, and 1.30pm on Thursdays, each starting week beginning 25th February, and all to be held at St Michael's Church.

NEW



Recycling Information Session

On Tuesday 30th

January 7.30pm in the Narthex the St Michael's eco-church group is hosting a talk by Lucinda Hodges, Waste Education Officer for ANSA. She will be advising us about recycling (and reusing and reducing!) at home and at church; many of us are confused about what we can put in the silver bins, but we all want to recycle as much as we can. All welcome, come ready to ask any questions you may have about this important but complex issue.

NEW



Save your Postage Stamps!

Please could you save your used stamps for me to send to the Leprosy Mission. They still need support and, despite email, there are

stamps still around – and not only at Christmas! Many thanks. Norma Stanway, St. Michael's.

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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