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Thank you to all at St. Michael's, who supported this year's quiz to raise funds for the Children's Society. Once again, due to your generosity, it raised a fantastic amount to help and support vulnerable children and young people. There is still some money to come in, but the total will be over £400!

There were only 4 all correct entries that went into the draw and the winner was Paula Watson, from Poynton.

Thanks again for your support; the answers are displayed on a noticeboard at the back of St Michael's.

Gill Phillipson



Save the date!

The Indian Banquet is back; a feast of South Indian cuisine prepared by our Indian community to raise money for the Building Fund. Indian.

6.00pm for 6.30pm Sunday 16th Nov.

Season of Creation - Highlights coming up!

• Friday 19th September

Creation Walk II - 6.00pm meet at St John's Church, SK11 8RS

• Saturday 20th September

River Bollin clean-up, 10.00am - 3.00pm Riverside Park. Wear warm clothes and bring wellies

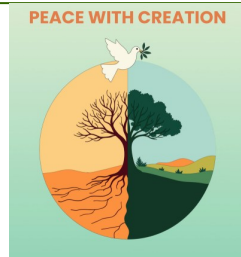
• Tuesday 23rd September

St Peter's Surprising Garden, Windmill St. SK11 7HS. 10.00am - 12noon

• Saturday 27th September

Coach trip to RHS Bridgewater. Book at www.scoopandscales.co.uk

More information in the calendars available in church and on-line at <https://stalbanmacc.org.uk/season-of-creation/>



Finding Jesus



**Sessions for curious 10-16's
up stairs at**

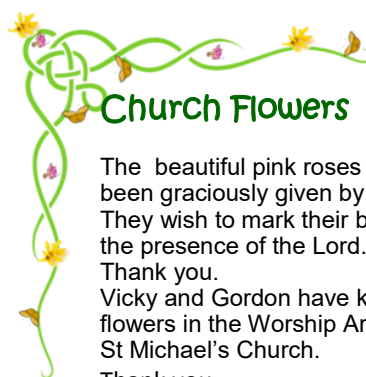
Living, Loving,
Serving, Sharing



Sat Sept 20th 1.15-2.45pm (new time)

with refreshments.

New members always welcome



Church Flowers

The beautiful pink roses on the Chancel Table have been graciously given by Audrey and Helen Evans. They wish to mark their beloved Jane's passing into the presence of the Lord.

Thank you.

Vicky and Gordon have kindly given the autumnal flowers in the Worship Area to thank all their friends at St Michael's Church.

Thank you.

Foodie Friday: 3rd Oct

Foodie Friday takes place on the first Friday of each month at 6.30pm. - a 3-course meal using surplus food, with guests contributing on a 'pay-as-you-feel' basis (a price is suggested).

Profits from the meal go towards providing free meals for more vulnerable members of our community during the week.

The next Foodie Friday will be **Friday 3rd October**. Contact the church office to book, 01625 421984.



Collect for the Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God,
your Son came to save us
and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love,
rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reminders



Harvest Thanksgiving Service

28th September

Our Harvest gifts this year will be donated to Macclesfield Ukrainian Aid. There is a lorry going out to Ukraine in early October which will take the donations. Most of the provisions will be for children and families.

Please bring your donations (see suggested list below) or cash in an envelope to our Harvest Festival Service on Sunday 28th September. The gifts will be gathered towards the beginning of the service, before the children leave for their groups.

If you are unable to be at the service and wish to make a donation, the bank details are: -

Macclesfield Ukrainian Aid
Sort Code 08 92 99
Acc no. 67325731
Reference St Michael's Harvest

Suggested donations: -

- Baby milk, baby food
- Children's vitamin tablets
- Coffee, tea
- Hot chocolate
- Rice, pasta, quinoa
- Packet soups
- Smash potato
- Oxo cubes
- Dried fruit, nuts
- Tinned fish, corned beef, spam
- Biscuits, sweets, crackers
- Baked beans



Almost anything non-perishable!

For further information please contact David Mayers



Homemakers

The October meeting of Homemakers has been changed to **Thursday 2nd October at 7:30pm** in the Savage Chapel. It will be a talk by the Reverend Marion Tugwood on the life of an anchoress or anchorite, who withdrew from secular society to live a life of prayer.

Marion experienced this herself by staying in the upstairs room in the Savage Chapel, as the anchoress would have done.

All are welcome to attend



Martin Bancroft's Licensing Service

Martin will be licensed as a Lay Minister (Reader) in Chester Cathedral on **Saturday 11th October at 3.00pm**.

If you would like to attend and need a lift, Martin Stephens may be able to help.

He will be leaving Macclesfield at about 12.45 - 1.00pm. Have a word with him if you are interested.

LET'S: 21st September

The next 'Let's Eat Together' event is this Sunday, 21st Sept. Bring some food and eat with others, maybe sharing if you wish.

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



Save the Date

Saturday 25th October, 7.00-9.00pm.

A party in St Michael's Church to celebrate 10 years of Village Rwanda UK being a registered charity.

Everyone is welcome.



IT Support - Can You Help?

Are you reasonably IT savvy? We occasionally need help with IT support, mainly with administering our Microsoft 365 accounts. The person who has helped us on a voluntary basis for a number of years has other commitments now and needs to hand over to someone else.



If not you, do you know someone who could offer their skills in this way? They would not be called upon often, but need to be available occasionally on an *ad hoc* basis, during working hours.

Contact Rachel or the office.

St Michael's Building for Hire

Do you need to hire a space?

St Michael's has meeting rooms of various sizes to meet your needs, and our large Worship Area with its giant screen and AV system is suitable for presentations, concerts, etc.

Email Elaine: bookings@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk

Tel: 01625 421984



Proposed Toddler Group - Can you help?

We are exploring the possibility of setting up a Toddler Group with a Christian focus at St Mike's, on a weekday.

The aim would be for there to be sufficient helpers so that no-one needs to be available to assist every week.

If you might be interested in helping with this in any way, or would like to find out more about the idea, please contact Jan on jan.rose1000@hotmail.co.uk or speak to her after Sunday morning's service. She will be giving a notice about this on Sunday so you'll be easily able to find her afterwards!

We hope to include music in the sessions!

On This Day' - 21st Sept.

- **1327** Deposed King Edward II of England was murdered in Berkeley Castle, Gloucestershire, to ensure the succession of his son Edward III.
- **1756** John Loudon McAdam, the engineer who invented and gave his name to macadamised (tarmac) roads, was born in Ayr, Scotland.
- **1792** The National Convention announced the formal abolition of the French monarchy.
- **1874** The birth of the composer Gustav Holst, most famous for his orchestral suite *The Planets*.
- **1915** Cecil Chubb bought the English prehistoric monument Stonehenge for £6,600 and later donated it to the British nation
- **1937** J. R. R. Tolkien's *"The Hobbit"* was published by George Allen and Unwin in London



Photograph Exhibition



Terry Gibson (St Peter's) is staging a small exhibition of black and white photography taken in and around Macc forest: 'Oak and Owl'.

He has spent a couple of years capturing images of the locality, summer and winter, rain and shine. The exhibition is at the Tegg's Nose Visitor Centre, with a launch on the afternoon of Saturday 27th September (with free wine!).

Do go and have a look.

Painting of St Michael's for Sale

We have been offered a painting done in about 1899 and shows St Michael's painted by Ralph Wright just before its demolition in 1899.

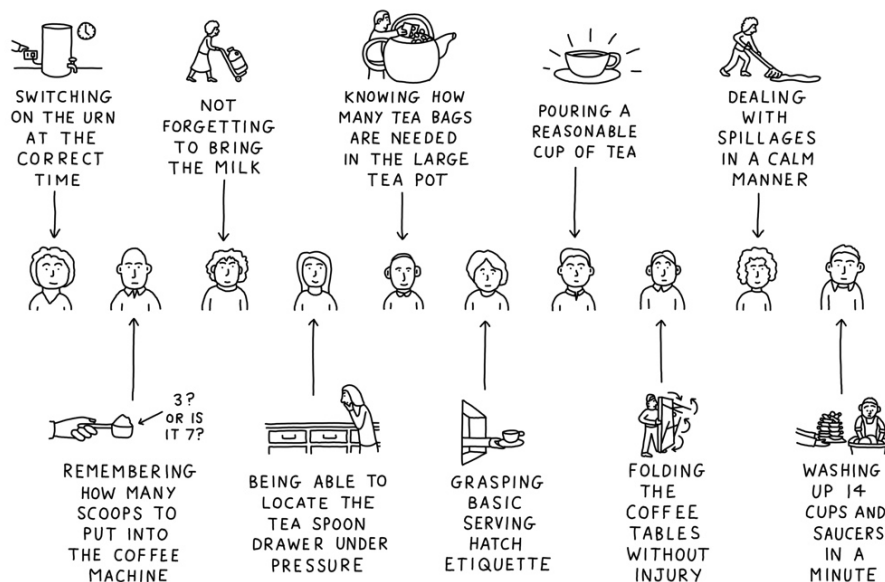
The restorer is keen to sell it, and has given us first refusal, and is open to offers if anyone would like to purchase it.

The cost of restoration is estimated to have been £450 but she will consider other offers. If you are interested in discussing it further please contact the restorer via the office.



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Join us for *Worship*



Sunday Worship

21st September 2025

The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

10:00am: Holy Communion

Leader: Lynne Spedding (Licensed Lay Minister)

Speaker & Celebrant: Revd Vivien Gisby

Bible Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

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 Meeting: Wednesday 1st October

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

25th September: Holy Communion

2nd October: 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

Friday mornings from 9.20-9.50.

An opportunity for quiet prayer followed by a cuppa and chat.

Compline/Night Prayer

Every Friday

Topic: Night Prayer | Time: 8.30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting; [https://](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZ0VXdaZz09)

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Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: compline



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...



Phone: Landline: 01625 421984

Email addresses:

- Isobel clergypa@maccteam.org.uk for ministry issues
- Elaine bookings@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk for bookings and building matters
- Bulletin/Newsletter stmikesnotices@gmail.com
- Printing maccteamprinting@gmail.com
- Safeguarding see box below

Postal Address: The Office, St Michael's Church, Market Place, Macclesfield, SK10 1DY

Elaine's office hours are *usually* Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9:30am – 1:30 pm

Isobel's Office hours are *usually* Monday & Wednesday 9.00-2.45; and Thursday 9.00 - 1.00 & Friday 8.30 - 1.00

Safeguarding Contact Information



If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact the St Michael's Safeguarding Officer, Katie Wilcock:

Phone: 07435 568 729

Email: safeguarding@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk



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Email any prayer requests to:

prayer@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk

Your request will be circulated confidentially to a limited group of people who will pray for you.

