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Music@Mike's

There are two concerts coming up; depending on when you read this bulletin!



Saturday 24th February

Kukua; West African style djembe drumming group

Thursday 29th February

Bright Quartet and Emma Tennant (clarinet), playing works by Mozart, Baermann and Gershwin

Time for both concerts: 1.15 - 2pm;

Entry is free (donations to the East Cheshire Hospice and St Michael's are welcome)

Refreshments are available from the Angel At My Table cafe.



Entertainment

Sunday 25th: entertainment in St Michael's 12.30 - 2.00pm provided by Open Strings from Macclesfield Music Centre.

Opportunities to pray

Thursday 29th February Mayor's Prayer Breakfast in the Town Hall . 7.45 - 9.30am
Booking essential.
Cost £10 - details on notice board



Friday 1st March: World Day of Prayer for Palestine
2.00pm at Gawsorth Methodist Church

MACRI - please pray

MACRI - Macclesfield Anglican Churches Renewal Initiative

On Tuesday 27th Feb., 6.00pm, there will be a MACRI meeting at St Michael's Church for members of the MACRI Churches' PCCs. Please pray for this meeting, giving thanks for the progress made to date and asking for God's guidance as we move ahead.

Members of all congregations are invited to join church council members at St Michael's Church at 8.00pm, for about 40 minutes of prayer.



Film Evenings

We enjoyed a successful first film evening last week, even welcoming, at the end, one of the producers of the film (*The Lost King*), Dan Winch.



Dan spoke to us about how the film was made during Covid restrictions, and on the accuracy of the dramatised version (accurate!) and the relationships depicted in it.



Our next film evening is **Friday 8th March at 6.30pm**, when we will show "**The Great Escaper**" starring Glenda Jackson in her final film before she died last year, and Michael Caine in his final film before he retired.

We can't promise any guest speakers on this occasion!

Please sign the list at the back of church or contact Lynne on 07881 423687 / lynne.norbron@gmail.com

We intend to arrange a third film evening but both Lynne's diary and the Church Calendar are so full that it's likely we will have to go for a different day of the week.

Watch this space!

Pray for Palestine

God of Peace,
we pray for a peaceful end to the ongoing situation in Palestine.

We also pray for the city of Jerusalem, sacred to the three religions of Christianity, Judaism and Islam.

Let there be equality, freedom of religion, freedom of movement and freedom of expression.

Teach us as Christians to follow the way of Jesus, sharing love with those we meet.

Taizé Services

Macclesfield & Bollington United Reformed Church hold a Taizé Service on the last Sunday of each month, beginning at **5.30pm**.

The next service will be on 25th February.

All are welcome.

For further information please contact Alison Lea directly: alisonleacarver@gmail.com



The Collect for Sunday 25th February The Second Sunday of Lent

Almighty God,
by the prayer and discipline of Lent
may we enter into the mystery of Christ's sufferings,
and by following in his Way
come to share in his glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord

Foodie Friday

Don't forget to book for the next Foodie Friday, on Friday 1st March.

Places are limited and fill up fast!



Join us for *Worship*



Sunday 25th February
The Second Sunday of Lent

10:00am: Church Family Worship

Leader/Speaker: Mike Strutt

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 taking place on 6th March

Thursday Morning Worship 10:30 am (35–40 minutes)

Our midweek services follow the order from
the Book of Common Prayer (traditional language) and
alternate between Morning Prayer and Holy Communion

29th February: Holy Communion

7th March: 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

Every **Friday at 9:20am** in the Savage Chapel, lasting half an
hour. An opportunity for quiet prayer followed by a short chat.

Compline/Night Prayer

Every Friday

Topic: Night Prayer | Time: 8.30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting; <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdaZz09>

Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: compline



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Please use the link below to
donate towards our "Let's Knit
a Scarf to Keep the Church
Warm" project.

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The scarf itself will (obviously)
not keep the church warm, but
money donated will go towards our goal of achieving the
CoE's target to be carbon-neutral by 2030. Think 'more
efficient boiler' and, longer term, 'solar panels' -and please
give generously!



**How to contact
the office...**



CONTACT US

Phone – Landline: 01625 421 984

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for rota changes, life events

– office@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk to contact
Elaine for room bookings and building matters

– stmikesnotices@gmail.com for newsletter items

– maccteamprinting@gmail.com for all printing

– safeguarding@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk to

contact Katie Wilcock, Parish Safeguarding Officer

In person – The Office, St Michael's Church, Market Place,
Macclesfield, SK10 1DY

Please note

There will be someone in the office every morning
9.30am– 12.00

Elaine's office hours are usually **Monday,**

Wednesday, and Thursday 9:30 am – 1:30 pm.

Temporary Office Arrangements

While we are trying to find someone to be our new Clergy
PA/Administrator, the office staff will be even more stretched
than usual, so please limit interruptions and the number of
small tasks you might have asked them to do.

Judith Whittingham will be in the office on Tuesday and
Friday mornings, so there will be some office cover every
day. Judith will deal with urgent email, and arrangements for
funerals and weddings.



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