

Events for the week 23rd— 29th April 2017

Sun 23 rd	10.30am	Choir Practice	Choir Vestry
Wed 26 th	6.30pm 7.30pm	Junior Choir Practice Full Choir Practice	Choir Vestry Choir Vestry
Thu 27 th	10.00am 10.30am 7.30pm	Toddler Group Holy Communion Bell ringing	St Michael's St Michael's Bell Tower
Fri 28 th	10.00am	Funeral of Peter Wild	St Michael's Church

Services next Sunday (30th April: The Third Sunday of Easter)

- 9.30am Storytelling Service
- 11.00am Treacle Service



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.

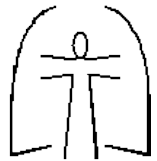
The Collect for the Second Sunday of Easter

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good of others
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the Father.



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 23rd April 2017

9.30am Storytelling Service

Leader Mike
Storyteller Chris
Story Jesus is risen: The Road to Emmaus

Songs Alleluia, alleluia
Christ is arisen

Roots Leader Sue
Roots Passage John11:1-45
Adult Group Leader Mike

Second Sunday of Easter

11.00am Holy Communion

Leader Rev'd Taffy Davies
Speaker Mike Strutt
Bible Readings Acts2:14a, 22-32
John11:1-45

Hymns

MP 30 Alleluia, alleluia
MP 456 Make me a channel
MP 45 At your feet we fall
MP 278 I know that my redeemer lives
Roots Leaders Pam & Ruth

3.00pm St George's Day Service

Leader/Speaker Rev'd Martin Stephens



Refreshments are served between the 9.30 and 11.00 services and after the 11.00 service, and also after our monthly Choral Evensong.



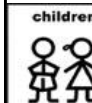
We are a Fairtrade Church committed to using only Fairtrade tea & coffee.



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.



Sunbeams: on the first & third Sunday of the month, the Sunbeams group meets during the 11.00am service. This is for children aged 2½ - 6 years.



Gluten-free wafers are available at all Communion services at this church. If you require these, please say "gluten-free" when you take communion.



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



Funeral of Peter Wild

Peter's funeral will take place on Friday 28th April at 10.00am, here at St Michael's.

NEW



This Evening's Contemplative Prayer

The monthly Sunday meeting for contemplative prayer will take place this evening, 23rd April, 7.00pm, at 5 Gloucester Close (the home of Dave and Mo Black). All are welcome.

As it is St George's Day, he will be our theme. Olga Bileski, who recently organised an exhibition of her icons at St Michael's, will be joining us. The St George icon will be on display, and Olga will talk us through some of the main points of icon painting and of this particular example. We will use it as a focus for our contemplative periods.

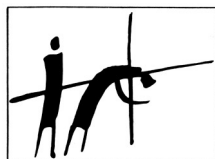


Dave Mock

Dave will be leaving the Team on 21st May to

take up a post in Barnton at the end of June. There will be a farewell service and shared meal at All Saints' Church at 4.00pm on Sunday 21st May. If you would like to make a contribution to a leaving gift to mark his time with us in the Team, please would you let our churchwardens, Tony or Paul, have it or drop it into the Church Office.

Dave's Licensing Service is Monday 26th June at 7.30pm at Christ Church, Barnton. We are looking at the feasibility of a coach going from Macclesfield for those wishing to attend. Look out for further details in notice sheets nearer the time.



The Stations of the Cross

The walk of the twelve stations of the Cross is now available in St Michael's for personal prayer and contemplation.

Traditionally the stations help us to understand more deeply the journey that Jesus took from the point at which he was condemned to the time of his death. This exhibition relates the suffering of the people of Syria to the suffering of Jesus. The exhibition will be available until the end of the Easter season, culminating in Pentecost Sunday. There is a booklet available to guide your thoughts. Any donations raised will go to the 'Refugees Welcome' group.

NEW

Friday's Contemplative Prayer Cancelled

There will be no Contemplative Prayer in the Savage Chapel on the morning of Friday 28th April

CANCELLED!!

NEW



A plea for help

I would be very grateful if anyone feels able to help serve tea/coffee and cake on Saturday mornings between 10.30am and 12.30pm about once a month. Proceeds go to the East Cheshire Hospice. We give £500 every two to three months. Please contact Grace Edgar. Tel: 430348.



Big Church Day Out

Don't forget the Big Church Day Out (Fri 2nd & Sat 3rd June) at Capesthorne Hall (further details from www.bigchurchdayout.com/north. If you're wanting to go, let

Sue Reid know so she can forward you the link for preferential rates. Phone 01625 421984 or email clergypa@gmail.com



Sustainable Sunday Lunch

The eco-church group invites you all to lunch

on Sunday 7th May 12.30 in the Narthex. All welcome, BUT if you feel able to volunteer to bring a main course or dessert for 6 people that would be wonderful and make life a bit easier for the organisers. Please make your offerings as sustainable as possible; i.e. with limited food miles (home grown would be ideal!), possibly locally sourced from independent suppliers, perhaps fairly-traded, and maybe but not necessarily vegetarian. Please sign up on the list on the notice-board, or e-mail David on davidjmayers@btinternet.com



Treacle Market

The next Treacle Sunday is 30th April. Church will be open after the morning

services as usual. If anyone can help with stewarding, baking cakes/biscuits or serving in the kitchen, please sign the list at the back of church. A special plea this month, if anyone can help with clearing up at the end (between 3.00pm and 4.00pm) the volunteers on duty would be most appreciative. This involves hoovering, cleaning the toilets, removing rubbish, tidying the kitchen, etc. If you can spare an hour to help with this, please add your name to the list. Many thanks. Vicky Darlington (428215)



Order Your Bedding Plants Now!

The annual Macclesfield Parish Church Scout and Guide Group bedding plants order form is now ready – on the counter in the Narthex.

Orders need to be in by 13th May for delivery of plants on Saturday 20th May. Every purchase helps to support our scout and guide group.

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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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