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Church Council Secretary



Having been Church Council (PCC) secretary for nine years I've decided it's time to let somebody else have a turn! The role entails collating the agenda for each meeting together with other documents, then writing up the minutes after the meeting. The Church Council is where the church family of St Michael's make important decisions about our Christian mission and worship, our priorities and more mundane but important matters like our finances and maintaining the building. We hold about ten meetings a year. You don't actually have to be on the Church Council to be its secretary but if you are you can participate more fully in the meetings.

If you are interested or know somebody who might be, please feel free to have a chat with me about the role. I am certainly happy to help the new person during the handover period.

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07747 622765

Ruth Parker's Funeral

Ruth's funeral takes place at 10.00 on Monday 27th Jan in St Michael's.



Rental Home Needed

Martin has been contacted by a family who are looking for a suitable house to rent for two adults and two (currently) preschoolers, as they seek to relocate to Macclesfield.

As well as RightMove, etc., as committed Christians they're wondering if there's a suitable property one of our churches might have or that someone might be aware of. Please could you 'ask around', and let Martin or Isobel know so we can put you in touch?



Valentine's with a Difference

Foodie Friday: 14th Feb.



A delicious, pay as you feel, three-course meal from surplus food

EVERYONE is welcome.

Those who can pay enable those who can't. God loves everyone.

Arrive at 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start

Booking is essential via the café or the church office (01625 421984)

Angel
at my Table

Eco-tip

Turn it off

Energy conservation is one of the most important things you can do to reduce your [carbon footprint](#). Leaving your electricals on standby uses unnecessary energy – turn them off at the wall when you've finished using them, and you could see your bill going down.



Film Evenings 2025

The second of our three film evenings is on Friday 7th February when we will be showing 'Marvellous' - based on the true story of Neil Baldwin who refused to accept the label of learning difficulties and forged an amazing life as circus clown, lay preacher, university welfare officer and kitman for Stoke City FC. Starring Toby Jones. A funny and moving film.



The final film evening is on Friday 28th February - sing-along-a- Mama Mia!

Please sign on the sheet in the Welcome Area if you intend to come along.

The evenings start at 6.30pm and include tea and cakes!

We will also do our very best to make sure the room is a comfortably temperature - but dress warmly, just in case!

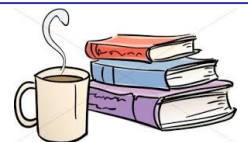
NCO Concert

No heating, no lighting - but the show goes on!

A brilliant concert by the strings of the Northern Chamber Orchestra in St Michael's last Saturday.



Thursday Evening Homegroup



This meets fortnightly at 7.30, usually at the home of Rachel and David Mayers. We are starting a new course on 30th January - Fruitfulness on the Frontline. The course is provided by LICC to help us to see where God might be working with us and through us in our daily lives.

Please contact David on 07963 802659 or davidjmayers@btinternet.com for more information, or look at <https://licc.org.uk/ourresources/fruitfulness/>.

Everyone is welcome! The Thursday daytime group has started the course already, but there may be places if you are interested in joining.

Collect for the Third Sunday of Epiphany

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed: a
noint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Join us for *Worship*



Sunday Worship

26th January 2025

The Third Sunday of Epiphany

10:00am: Church Family Worship

Leader & Speaker: LLM Mike Strutt

Bible reading: Luke 4:14-21

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 5th February

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

30th January: Holy Communion
6th February: 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

For the duration of the lighting works, we will meet n
SATURDAY mornings (not Friday) from 9.20-9.50.
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?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdZz09)

[pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdZz09](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdZz09)

Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: **compline**



Compline

Most activities during the week at church should be unaffected by the lighting works, but please check if you are in doubt. However, **Contemplative Prayer** will take place on **Saturday** mornings rather than Friday (9.20-9.50 in the Savage Chapel).

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** office@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 9.00-3.00; and Thursday & Friday 9.00 - 1.00

Safeguarding Contact Information



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

Phone: 07438 807213

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.

