ST MIKE'S BULLETIN ISSUE 24/20

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Norma's daughter is ordained

Last month, Revd Martin Stephens and Sallie Bancroft attended Chester Cathedral to support Revd Jenny Eades as



she was ordained priest. (Before training at Theological College, Jenny worshipped at St Peter's in Macclesfield and is now curate at St Oswald's in Bollington.)

However, a wonderful surprise for Martin and Sallie was to meet Norma's daughter, Jane, who was also being ordained at the same service.

Jane's journey to ordination hasn't been smooth. In her own words, she explains, how, despite her health issues, God has given her the strength she needed to fulfil her calling. It was in 2017, at St Peter's Church in Hale (where her husband/Norma's son-in-law was a vicar) that Jane first realised God was calling her to be ordained too. She was watching a curate preside at communion for the first time. "I just burst into tears. It was so beautiful", Jane remembers.

Around the same time that she felt the call from God, Jane was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis (MS), a neurological condition that can affect the brain and spinal cord, vision, arm or leg movement, and balance. This meant that training took longer than anticipated and it was a struggle for her to continue training as a curate.

Jane was advised by her MS nurse to establish a daily rhythm. "That sounded like prayer to me." And so she established a prayer routine... prayer in the morning, prayer at lunch, and prayer to finish the day, finding solace and strength in her faith.

Although Jane does know what's going to happen, "Some days are not good", she takes great comfort in knowing that "God that can do all things."

Revd Jane Addenbrooke is serving God at Birkenhead Priory and St James with St Bede, Birkenhead. Please pray for Jane, Jenny and the other 11 who were priested on 15 June, and for those recently ordained deacon.

If you think God might be calling you in some way to follow a vocation within the Church (whether ordained or not), please talk to Martin, or contact the Ministry department at the diocese (01928 643428 / ministry@chester.anglican.org)

You can hear Jane speak more about her sense of being called by God here: https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=4J5ffuhl JY

You can watch the service where she was ordained here: https://youtu.be/MAIhEXPukgM?t=661

Foodie Friday



Don't forget to book for the next Foodie Friday, Friday 5th July. Places are limited and fill up fast. Contact the church office or Ali in the kitchen to book.

You can celebrate - or try to forget - the election outcome!



Service of Thanksgiving for

Thursday 11th July, 11.30am in St Michael's

Refreshments - can you help?

If you would like to contribute towards the refreshments to be provided after the service in

memory of Garrod, please liaise first with Chris Wightman (07818 484570) as she is coordinating the food.

Music@Mike's

Garrod's Life

Next week's concert, on Friday 5th July, features Arthur Marshall, a very talented and entertaining contemporary folk musician (and husband to Karen!). As always the concert starts at 1.15.



Entry is free, with voluntary donations shared between the East Cheshire Hospice and St Michael's.

Garden Flowers Requested

If anyone has flowers in their garden which they would be happy to donate for our church floral displays, please let Anne Kite know.

She is happy to come round and collect the flowers. Contact Anne on 01625 424531.



Our church will be open to welcome visitors on Saturday July 6th.

If you can help please contact the office or Tricia Atherton

Thank-you from Parkroyal School

From Katie Weaver, Y1 teacher

I just wanted to send a massive thank you on behalf of Year 1 at Parkroyal Community School for our recent visit.

We had a fantastic time and the children absolutely loved exploring the building and the freedom to look and find out. They came away buzzing about what they'd seen and wanting to tell us all about it.

Thank you again for such a warm welcome.

Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, send down upon your Church the riches of your Spirit, and kindle in all who minister the gospel your countless gifts of grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.





Join us for *Worship*



Sunday Worship Sunday 30th June 2024 The Fifth Sunday after Trinity 10:00am: Church Family Worship

Leader: Tricia Atherton Speaker: Ali Marshall Bible readings: Isaiah 49:14-16 and Mark 8:22-26

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 <u>https://www.facebook.com/stmikesmacclesfield</u>

Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

Alternate Wednesdays at 10:30 am in the Savage Chapel lasting 30-40 minutes. Next taking place on 10th July

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

4th July: Holy Communion 11th July : 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

Compline

Topic: Night Prayer | Time: 8.30 pm Join Zoom Meeting; <u>https://us04web.zoom.us/</u>

j/75676947476?

pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdaZz09

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

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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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