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See what flew into St Michael's last Saturday!

One of the rarest British birds, the Willow Tit, was the centre of attention at St Michael's last Saturday when about 200 people gathered at a meeting organised by the RSPB and Save Danes Moss. Danes Moss is home to one of the biggest populations in Cheshire of this wonderful bird. It's a special habitat for hundreds of other species as well as a huge store of carbon packed peat



Experience Easter

This is an interactive trail on Saturday 30th March (Holy Saturday) to help people connect with the events of Holy Week, running in parallel with the Town Council's Easter trail. We want to help people know the 'more' of Easter than bunnies and chocolate eggs. Bring your children/grandchildren to join in, or help with one of the crafts or chatting to participants.



Speak to Catherine, Martin, David or Rachel if you can help.

Music@Mike's

Next week's concert is on Thursday 28th March, and is a piano recital by Wendy Nugent, a graduate of the Royal Academy of Music. She will be playing works by Bach, Mozart, Mendelssohn, Liszt and Chopin.



The first concert after Easter will be Thursday 11th April

Concerts begin at 1.15pm and last approximately 45 minutes. Entry is free but donations, which go jointly towards the East Cheshire Hospice and St Michael's Church are very welcome.

Scam Emails

Church Officers, Treasures, PCC members and others have been receiving scam emails purported from their incumbent or other clergy. The emails often purport to be from someone known to the recipient, but say that they can only communicate via email. Such emails often request money in the form of gift cards or vouchers. This is a national issue and was recently reported in The Diocese of York **Please be aware.**



Summary of Services in Holy Week



Holy Week

Maundy Thursday

11.00am Chrism Service at Chester Cathedral
7.30pm Tenebrae at the United Reformed Church

Good Friday

10.30 am Good Friday Service at St Michael's
2.30pm **'At the Foot of the Cross'** a contemplative service with music, readings and silence (about one hour)

Easter Sunday

10.00 Family Communion

Easter Craft Trail

At St Paul's Church on Good Friday, 29th March, 10:30am -12:30



'Journey to Easter and Beyond'

A knitted Bible Exhibition at Macclesfield Methodist Church starting on March 22nd (see flyer for all dates)

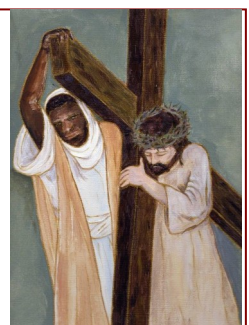


The Collect for Palm Sunday Sunday 24th March

True and humble king,
hailed by the crowd as Messiah:
grant us the faith to know you and love you,
that we may be found beside you
on the way of the cross,
which is the path of glory.
Amen

Stations of the Cross

Our St Michael's Prayer Trail, the Stations of the Cross, will be displayed during Holy Week in the churchyard, on posters attached to the railings. This is a pilgrimage journey of devotion and prayer linked with the final journey of Jesus from condemnation to cross.



Join us for *Worship*



Sunday 24th March
Sixth Sunday of Lent: Palm Sunday

10:00am: Church Family Worship

Leader & Speaker: Lynne Spedding

Readings: Mark 11:1-11

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 3rd April

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

**28th March: No service at St Mike's: trip to Chester instead
for Chrism Service (sign list in church if interested)**

4th April: 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://](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZoVXdaZz09)

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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.

[Click here](#)

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...**



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Elaine for room bookings and building matters

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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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