

St John's and St Michael's Churches

Notices for Sunday 3rd July

St Michael's

9.30am HOLY COMMUNION & BAPTISM: Welcome to our service today led by Matthew. Vikki begins a new Sermon series today talking about 'Women of the Bible - Esther'. Esther 4:9-14 and Matthew 3:13-17. We also offer a very warm welcome to Faye, her mum and dad, family and friends, who is being Baptised today.

Sidesperson: **Clive & Julie**

Reading: **Ann J**

Coffee: **Janet**

St John's

11am MORNING WORSHIP: A very warm welcome to our service today led by James. Vikki begins a new Sermon series today talking about 'Women of the Bible - Esther'. Esther 4:6-16

Sidesperson: **Hambler family**

Reading: **Steve H**

Prayers: **Judith**

Coffee: **Judith/Colin & Les**

6.30pm 'REST' Welcome to our first 'REST'. A half hour session for quiet reflection - opportunity to take time out of the busyness of the week to 'rest' with God.

Please note: The 11am service at St John's is livestreamed so you may appear on YouTube if you pass in front of the camera (usually located by the emergency exit door at the far end).

Below are the links to our website and to our YouTube channel live streaming our services at St John's at 11am

<http://www.stjohnsmuxton.org.uk/home> or <http://www.stmichaelslilleshall.org.uk/home/>

YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB6N81vubkdzSYD7rCPFw5Q>

What's happening and news over the next few weeks

ACTIVITY DAYS booking forms now available via our website or in church....please tell your friends and neighbours.

ST MICHAEL'S PCC has their next meeting **tomorrow evening (4th) 7.30pm** in Church.

WORSHIP, LUNCH & MUSIC takes place **This Thursday (7th)** at St Michaels beginning at 12noon. No WLM in August.

ST JOHNS PCC is due to meet next on **Monday 11th July 7.45pm** in Church.

The **PCC of St Michael's** are looking at the vision of the church. We have had the current vision for over 10 years and think that it is time to update it. We are therefore asking you to join us in praying that God would show us how he would like us to be serving the community of Lilleshall and beyond over the next few years. We have set aside the afternoon and evening of **Wednesday 13th July** for prayer. The church will be open all day until 10 pm and prayer prompts will be available. If you want to pray in a group with other people then come between 7.30 and 8.30 pm.

POP IN FOR COFFEE held at St Michael's on **Thursday 14th July** between 10-12noon.

Hartridge BBQ: For those of you not on Facebook or have been in a time warp for the last 10 years, **Saturday 23rd July** is the first Saturday of the school holidays which means it's the day of the Hartridge BBQ. If you intend coming please let Simon or Julie know (by whatever means) so that we can gauge catering. See you there!

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Hear the Word of the Lord: Matthew's Gospel **Wednesday 21st September** at Telford Minster 10.30am-4pm. Hosted by the Mission Team and Telford Minster. Hear the whole gospel read through from start to finish with people from across the diocese - an amazing way to experience the message and bring the gospel to life as early Christians might have done. This celebration of Matthew's gospel is open to anyone. *Your vicar Matthew will be reading a chapter.....!Tea and Coffee throughout the day. A Soup and bread lunch will be provided by Telford Minster. Book at <https://www.lichfield.anglican.org/getting-ready-for-matthew.php>*

Isaiah 41:13

For I am the LORD your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

Services and Rotas for Sunday 10th July
SML - 9.30am Morning Worship and SJM 11am Holy Communion

St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: Cedric	Sidesperson: Simon & Lesley
Reading: Wayne	Reading: Brenda
Coffee: Katie & Laurie	Communion (assisting if required): Simon T
	Prayers: David & Dorothy
	Coffee: Simon & Lesley

REGULAR GROUPS/MEETINGS/RESOURCES/INFORMATION

SPARK for our young people aged 10 and above and **SAS** sessions for children aged 5-10 takes place **most Sundays** (Does not normally take place on the second Sunday).

LIGHT - CRÛCHE FOR 0-5S: The livestream of the St John's service is broadcast in the Acorn Room (down the corridor on the right as you enter the building) for parents of under 5's, with toys also available. We hope, in the future, to be able to offer some supervised sessions for 0-5s.

ST JOHN'S TINY TOTS: A Toddler group for parents/carers of under 5's taking place on Tuesday mornings from 10am during term time.

Calling all walkers! We meet on a **Wednesday 10am** at St John's for a gentle, local walk of around an hour. All are welcome. Please contact Jo Lefroy for any further information on 01952 604281.

WORSHIP, LUNCH & MUSIC takes place on the **first Thursday** of each month except January and August and weekly during Lent 12noon at St Michael's.

Local **dementia friendly strolls** every **2nd and 4th Wednesday** from May until October at 11.30am meeting at The Hub Community Café, 138 High Street in Newport. (See poster on notice board)

FROGS: We would like to invite our young people to attend FROGS. This is a youth group which is held weekly at St Swithun's church in Cheswardine. We have been working closely with FROGS for many years as we have attended Quinta together. Colin Barnett, a member of St Michael's, is currently a leader there. They meet **every Tuesday from 7.30-9pm**, for secondary school pupils and sixth formers. Please see Kathy or Matthew for information.

A NOVEL IDEA Join our reading club at St John's 7.30pm on the **2nd Wednesday** of each month. **We are now at capacity.** Please contact the church office if you would like us to let you know when there is space.

POP IN FOR COFFEE held at St Michael's on the **2nd Thursday** of the month 10-12noon.

A MEN'S BREAKFAST takes place on the **second Saturday** of each month 8.30am at The Whitehouse Hotel in Muxton. Either contact Charlie via messaging or let Lesley know you are coming. All 'men' very welcome.

FORGET ME NOT FILMS: Takes place usually on the **3rd Thursday** of the month at St John's. The film will start at 10 am - please arrive any time from 9.45 am. If you have any questions, or to let us know you are coming, please contact Jo Lefroy on 01952 604281 or via the church office.

JOIN US 4 A CUPPA! A monthly coffee morning held at St John's on a Friday between 11am - 1pm. Litter pickers are also invited to meet just before, litter pick the local area then return for a well earned cuppa! (15th July)

sub:Zero/sub:Extra our Youth Café currently held on the **1st & 3rd Friday** of the month during term time. 4pm (sub:Zero) and 6pm (sub:Extra) at St John's.

EARLY MORNING PRAYERS: Are you an early bird? A group of us pray for the work of the church at 7.30am **every Thursday** morning. Join us for half an hour or part of the time on Zoom. Contact Matthew for the link.

Please join us for **Bible Reading/Discussion/Prayer** via **Zoom**, weekdays at 9am. The best way to access these is through the "Daily Prayer" app. available from The Church of England but if you want to follow from your Bible this is ok. Please contact Matthew who will give you the details to login.

A monthly **Filling Station** 'Haughmond and Wrekin' takes place on the fourth Monday of each month 7.15pm (for 7.30pm) at RODINGTON VILLAGE HALL, SHREWSBURY, SY4 4QS. Informal worship, teaching and an opportunity for ministry and prayer. For more information do ring Rev Andy Ackroyd 01952 252078 or look at <https://thefillingstation.org.uk> (25th July)

TELFORD STREET PASTOR After 10 years of making a difference on the streets of Telford they are relaunching and urge you to consider....*Is God calling you to serve as a Street Pastor or Prayer Pastor?* If you would like to find out a little bit more about what is involved please either have a chat to Simon Trotman or Gill Steinert.

PRAYER CHAINS: If you have any prayer requests please either text (preferable) Lisa 07739 522280 or Email: west.familywest@btinternet.com or St Michael's prayer chain coordinator Chris R 07834162343 or 01952 604330 or Email: scip@blueyonder.co.uk

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Matthew's Email: matthew.lefroy@tiscali.co.uk (Usual day off Friday)

Vikki's Email: revdayvik@gmail.com (Normal day off Friday)

St Michael's 1st Reading - Esther 4:9-14

⁹ Hathak went back and reported to Esther what Mordecai had said. ¹⁰ Then she instructed him to say to Mordecai, ¹¹ 'All the king's officials and the people of the royal provinces know that for any man or woman who approaches the king in the inner court without being summoned the king has but one law: that they be put to death unless the king extends the gold sceptre to them and spares their lives. But thirty days have passed since I was called to go to the king.'

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St Michael's 2nd Reading - Matthew 3:13-17

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. ¹⁴ But John tried to deter him, saying, 'I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?'

¹⁵ Jesus replied, 'Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfil all righteousness.' Then John consented.

¹⁶ As soon as Jesus was baptised, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.'

St John's Reading - Esther 4:6-16

⁶ So Hathak went out to Mordecai in the open square of the city in front of the king's gate. ⁷ Mordecai told him everything that had happened to him, including the exact amount of money Haman had promised to pay into the royal treasury for the destruction of the Jews. ⁸ He also gave him a copy of the text of the edict for their annihilation, which had been published in Susa, to show to Esther and explain it to her, and he told him to instruct her to go into the king's presence to beg for mercy and plead with him for her people.

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¹⁵ Then Esther sent this reply to Mordecai: ¹⁶ 'Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my attendants will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish.'



Activity Days 2022

Primary School age children
R-Yr 6



Fun, games, singing and laughter and
plenty of stories!

26th, 27th & 28th July
10am-3pm

Booking form via our website or in
church....www.stjohnsmuxton.org.uk

Email: admin@stjohnsmuxton.org.uk
or 01952 670033 for info.

Youth Café

at St John's Church, Muxton

Calling all young people in Yrs 7-11.... come and join us
for our annual **BBQ** Year 6 are also invited to
come along and see what sub:Zero is all about....
between 4-7pm on Friday 15th July



sub:Zero
School Years
7 - 9

tuck shop
pool/snooker
table football
and more....



School Years
9 - 11