



Queen Elizabeth II – 1926-2022  
*St John's and St Michael's Churches*  
*Notices for Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September*



**St Michael's**

**9.30am MORNING WORSHIP + BAPTISM:** Welcome to our service today led by Vikki. Matthew talks to us about 'Conversions in the Bible' today looking at *The Philippian Jailer*. We would also like to offer a very warm welcome to Arthur and his family and friends who is being baptised today. Acts 16:22-35

Sidesperson: **Fran**

Reading: **Scarlett**

Coffee: **Clive & Julie**

A short memorial service for our late Queen will take place on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September, 6.30pm at St Michael's Church.**

**St John's**

**11am HOLY COMMUNION:** A very warm welcome to our service today led by Matthew. Matthew talks to us about 'Conversions in the Bible' today looking at *The Philippian Jailer*. Acts 16:22-35 & Matthew 3:13-17

Sidesperson: **Alasdair**

Reading: **Julie H**

Communion: **Simon T**

Coffee: **Di & Lesley**

**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.

<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**

**WORLD CHURCH & JUSTICE - PRAYERS**

- Pray for people around the world, especially our own country and the Commonwealth, as they honour and mourn Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The value and respect of the work she has done over the last 70 years to foster good relationships throughout the world.
- Continue to pray for the people of Pakistan who have been hit by torrential rain and flash floods, washing away homes, livestock and crops. **Please consider donating to this disaster of a nightmarish scale [click here](#)** to or take a look on [www.tearfund.org](http://www.tearfund.org)
- On a similar note East Africa is pleading for action on climate change while their children are affected by lack of food as crops and livestock die. (Please fill in one of the Tearfund leaflets on the welcome desk re action on climate change)
- The war in Ukraine continues... please pray for people hosting families, some of whom we know, that the placement may be a success, that any children may settle and be welcomed into our schools, and for families who are returning home, that they are safe.

Back in 2009, Tearfund supporters contributed to a big campaign win when wealthier countries promised \$100 billion a year from 2020 to enable lower-income countries to respond to the climate crisis. At the Glasgow climate talks this year, **the world was still waiting... Time to DELIVER - Honour your Promises ...'Give to everyone what you owe them' Romans 13:7** Leaflets are available on the welcome desk..Add your Voice, Pray and Give.

**SPIRITUAL LISTENING:** A course to develop our listening and reflection, deepening it so that a person knows they are truly heard and enabled to grow in their relationships with God. **On 6 Tuesdays between September and early December 10am-4pm** at St Peter's Church, Stoke-on-Tern TF9 2EZ. Details at.....

[www.lichfield.anglican.org/mission/spirituality-resources/spiritual-direction-courses/](http://www.lichfield.anglican.org/mission/spirituality-resources/spiritual-direction-courses/)

**ST JOHN'S TINY TOTS** for parents/carers of under 5's returns this **Tuesday (13<sup>th</sup>)** morning from 10am.

**EVANGELISM TEAM/SUB GROUP** is due to meet on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm and **Monday 19<sup>th</sup>** at 7.45pm

**Re-arranged POP IN FOR COFFEE** at St Michael's takes place this **Thursday (15<sup>th</sup>)** between 10-12noon.

**FORGET ME NOT FILMS** this month takes place on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup>** at St John's watching 'The Gangs All Here' starting at 10 am - please arrive any time from 9.45 am.

**JOIN US 4 A CUPPA!** A monthly coffee morning held at St John's takes place on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September** between 11am - 1pm. Litter pickers are invited to meet just before then return for a well earned cuppa!

Our Youth Café **sub:Zero** (Yrs7-9 @4pm) and **sub:Extra** (Yrs9-13@6pm) will take place on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September** at St John's.

**OCTOBER MAGAZINE:** Any items for our October magazine, other than the usual items, can you please let Lesley have by 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. It will be printed on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup>** due to upcoming holiday.

**LILLESHALL SCARECROW FESTIVAL**...Come along to Lilleshall Village on **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September** and have a look at the lovely display of scarecrows ...If anyone feels they would like to have a go and make one for St Michael's church we would be very grateful. See Fran if you fancy the challenge 😊 See poster below.

**PCC Reports** please email Lesley with any reports before next Friday as she will be on holiday from 18<sup>th</sup>....

**HARVEST SERVICES:** Donations will be welcome for the Crisis Food bank during our harvest services... tin's, packets or similar with a good best before date would be gratefully received. **St John's 18<sup>th</sup> September at 11am and St Michael's on 25<sup>th</sup> September 9.30am.**

**ST MICHAEL'S PCC** is due to meet on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September** 7.30pm in church.

Hear the whole of Matthews gospel read through from start to finish. on **Wednesday 21st September** at Telford Minster 10.30am-4pm. *Matthew will be reading a chapter.....!Tea & Coffee* throughout the day. A Soup and bread lunch will be provided by the Minster. Book at <https://www.lichfield.anglican.org/getting-ready-for-matthew.php>

**TELFORD EVANGELISM HUB:** Would you like to become a more effective witness for Christ or encouraged by being with other evangelistically minded believers? Then join the new monthly Evangelism Hub. Receiving empowering, uplifting teaching, practical advice, an opportunity to pray and the chance to support each other in practical outreach. This is a theory and practice group, empowered by the word and Spirit of God. No previous experience needed just a desire to spread the Good News of Jesus. **Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday from 21<sup>st</sup> September** at Creative Training Spaces next to Gratitude Café, Duke Street, Wellington. 7:30-9 pm (7:15 for a coffee). Contact Helen on 07813 136803 or [helen@rhw.org.uk](mailto:helen@rhw.org.uk) to express an interest.

**ST JOHN'S PCC** is to meet next on **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September** 7.45pm in church.

The September **WOW** will take place on **Wednesday 28th** at 7.30pm at the White House.

**HARVEST SUPPER:** St Michael's invites you to a Harvest Supper on **Saturday 1st October** 7pm for 7.30pm at **Lilleshall Memorial Hall** Tickets £9 each....to include a hot supper. Tickets available from Fran 604718 or the Church Office 670033 Bar available.

#### CAP DEBT CENTRE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Challenge Poverty week - The Telford debt centre extend a challenge to YOU to experience the reality of trying to live with limited finances for a week in October

**15th October - Fundraising Quiz**, All Saints wellington, 7pm - Start to get your teams together now! Tickets £15 from Lesley (includes 2 course meal) - A chance to bring friends and family along for a great evening.

**Christmas Hampers** - if your group would be willing to help us with our hampers again this year **please register with your church representative**, Lisa West by the end of October. ([west.familywest@btinternet.com](mailto:west.familywest@btinternet.com))

**17th November - Anniversary service** 7.30pm Dawley Baptist church.

**3rd December** - Telford Concert Band Concert in aid of CAP - details TBC

Please join us every month on **3rd Thursday** to pray for our debt centre by zoom email [janepreston@capuk.org](mailto:janepreston@capuk.org) for a link.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:** Tickled Pink Coffee morning @ St John's on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October** and Lilleshall Memorial Hall on **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October**.

<u>Services and Rotas for Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September</u>	
<b>SML - 9.30am Holy Communion and SJM 8.15am GMS &amp; 11am Morning Worship (Harvest)</b>	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: <b>Janet</b>	Sidesperson: <b>Dom, Martie &amp; family</b>
Reading: <b>Jo</b>	Reading: <b>Geoff D</b>
Coffee: <b>Dave &amp; June</b>	Communion (assisting if required):
	Prayers: <b>Simon &amp; Lesley</b>
	Coffee: <b>Dom, Martie &amp; family</b>

[John 11:25,26](#) Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die.

## 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 and during school holidays).

**LIGHT - CRÈCHE 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.

**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.

**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 **2<sup>nd</sup> 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 **2<sup>nd</sup> 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 message Charlie or let Lesley know you are coming. All 'men' very welcome

**FORGET ME NOT FILMS:** Takes place usually on the **3<sup>rd</sup> 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 invited to meet just before, litter pick the local area then return for a well earned cuppa!

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

CAP prayer time is held on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month from 9 - 9.30am** via zoom. Please contact [janepreston@capuk.org](mailto:janepreston@capuk.org) if you would like a link.

**WE HAVE A BOOK STALL** at the back of Church at **St Michaels** bring and share books that you have enjoyed!!

**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. Download the "Daily Prayer" app. available from The Church of England, to follow from your Bible is ok. Please contact Matthew for login details.

**A Filling Station** takes place on the fourth Monday of each month 7.15pm (for 7.30pm) at RODINGTON VILLAGE HALL, SHREWSBURY, SY4 4QS. Informal worship, teaching, ministry and prayer. Info. contact Rev Andy Ackroyd 01952 252078 or look at <https://thefillingstation.org.uk> (26<sup>th</sup> September)

**PRAYER CHAINS:** Any prayer requests - St John's please either text (preferable) Lisa 07739 522280 or [west.familywest@btinternet.com](mailto:west.familywest@btinternet.com) or St Michael's contact Chris R 07834162343/ 604330 or [scip@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:scip@blueyonder.co.uk)

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### St John's and St Michael's 1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Acts 16:22-35

<sup>22</sup> The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. <sup>23</sup> After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. <sup>24</sup> When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

<sup>25</sup> About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. <sup>26</sup> Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose. <sup>27</sup> The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. <sup>28</sup> But Paul shouted, 'Don't harm yourself! We are all here!'

<sup>29</sup> The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. <sup>30</sup> He then brought them out and asked, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?'

<sup>31</sup> They replied, 'Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved - you and your household.' <sup>32</sup> Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. <sup>33</sup> At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptised. <sup>34</sup> The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God - he and his whole household.

<sup>35</sup> When it was daylight, the magistrates sent their officers to the jailer with the order: 'Release those men.'

### St John's 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - Matthew 3:13-17

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

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

<sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.'