St John's and St Michael's Churches Notices for Sunday 29th January

St Michael's

9.30am HOLY COMMUNION: Welcome to our service today led by Jane. Today John returns to our sermon series 'Handing on the baton of the Gospel' looking at 2 Timothy 2.

Sidesperson: Fran Reading: Gill R Prayers: Service Leader Coffee: Dave & Sue

St John's

11am MORNING WORSHIP: A warm welcome to our service today led by James. Today we return to our sermon series '*Handing on the baton of the Gospel*' and John talks to us about 2 *Timothy 2*.

Sidesperson: Volunteer please Reading: Alasdair Prayers: Pam Coffee: Volunteer

Please note: The 11am service at St John's is livestreamed so you may appear on YouTube especially if passing camera.

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

Please Please Please can everyone check the pigeon holes to see if you have any unclaimed Christmas cards, rotas etc. Thank you.

PRAYER GARDEN - request: Has anyone got any photos of the Prayer Garden in bloom? if you do can you either send to or speak to Lesley please....thank you. (We need by 1st February)

IRIS GODDARD: Iris' family would like to invite you to a service of Celebration for Iris at St John's on Thursday 23rd February 1.30pm followed by refreshments.

The Evangelism Sub Group is due to meet tomorrow evening at 7pm.

There will be a meeting for **Housegroup Leaders** on **Monday 6th February** 7.30pm at the home of Terry & Jan.

The Evangelism Sub Group - WAM is to meet on Wednesday 8th February at 7pm.

This years **FILM FEST** for our youth groups takes place on **Friday 17th February 8pm - Saturday 18th 8am** at St John's. Please pick up a letter from church. If you are interested in helping out please speak to James or Kathy

Our next HEALING SERVICE takes place on Sunday 19th February 6.30pm at St John's.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - WEEKEND AWAY 2023: We had such a great weekend away last year we have booked our next one 23⁻⁻²⁵. June 2023. To enable more people to participate we have for the first time been able to reserve the accommodation that is nearest the canteen so only a very short walk (and not uphill!!) for food and rooms..everywhere is accessible. To help with your budgeting, if you want, you can pay by instalments anytime from now. (Booking form available).

THE GALLERY SINGERS are now turning their attention to Spring and are very happy to be returning to Christ Church in Wellington to perform their next concert on Friday 3 March. Another lovely mixed programme of sacred and secular music, thoughtful and fun, with works by favourite composers Palestrina, Will Todd, Ola Gjeilo and Jussi Chydenius, amongst others. Aimée Calderbank will once again join the singers and treat the audience to her superb flute playing, with Evy King accompanying. Tickets are available on the door at a cost of £10/£5 for children under 16, to include refreshments. Or you can pre-book by contacting 07968 906446 or any member of the Gallery Singers. Also via Facebook.com/thegallerysingers.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Our annual joint memorial service is due to take place at St Michael's on **Sunday 5**th **March** at 4pm.. Please email/call Lesley to add any names to the remembrance list.

Philippians 4:19 And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

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Services and Rotas for Sunday 5th February SML - 9.30am Holy Communion	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: John & Diane	Sidesperson: John & Moira
Reading: Scarlett	Reading: Moira
Prayers: Service Leader	Communion: N/A
Coffee: Clive & Julie	Prayers: <mark>Barbara</mark>
	Coffee: John & Moira

2 Timothy 2

2 You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others. Join with me in suffering, like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer. Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules. The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops. Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this.

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, ³ for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

"Here is a trustworthy saying:

If we died with him, we will also live with him; "if we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us; "if we are faithless, he remains faithful, for he cannot disown himself.

"Keep reminding God's people of these things. Warn them before God against quarrelling about words; it is of no value, and only ruins those who listen. "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth. "Avoid godless chatter, because those who indulge in it will become more and more ungodly. "Their teaching will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus, "who have departed from the truth. They say that the resurrection has already taken place, and they destroy the faith of some. "Nevertheless, God's solid foundation stands firm, sealed with this inscription: 'The Lord knows those who are his,' and, 'Everyone who confesses the name of the Lord must turn away from wickedness.' [∞]In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for special purposes and some for common use. [∞]Those who cleanse themselves from the latter will be instruments for special purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.

²² Flee the evil desires of youth and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart. ²³ Don't have anything to do with foolish and stupid arguments, because you know they produce quarrels. ²⁴ And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but must be kind to everyone, able to teach, not resentful. ²⁵ Opponents must be gently instructed, in the hope that God will grant them repentance leading them to a knowledge of the truth, ²⁵ and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.