

St John's and St Michael's Churches

Notices for Sunday 26th March

St Michael's

9.30am MORNING WORSHIP: A warm welcome to our service today led by Matthew. Vikki concludes our mini series on 'Giving' today talking about 'Mutual flourishing through Giving' Philippians 4:10-20 and Mark 14:3-9

Sidesperson: Clive & Julie **Reading:** Dave P **Prayers:** David L **Coffee:** Dave & June

St John's

8.15am GMS Good Morning Sunday: A good start to the day with God, breakfast, the Sunday papers, conversation, prayer and reflection. Our theme for this morning is 'Influencers'.

11am HOLY COMMUNION: Welcome to our service this morning led by John. Vikki concludes our mini series on 'Giving' today talking about 'Mutual flourishing through Giving' Philippians 4:10-20 and Mark 14:3-9

Sidesperson: Julie H **Reading:** Vicky **Communion:** Gill & Pam **Prayers:** John & Jane

SPARK: Andrew & Kerry H **SAS:** Martie & Jo **Coffee:** Simon & Julie

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>

WELCOME TEA: New(ish) to St John's? Wanting to find out what we're all about? Keen to find a few friends in a similar position? Then join us this afternoon **3.30-5pm** with refreshments and a chance to find out more about us.....

ST JOHN'S PCC is meeting **tomorrow evening** 7.45pm in church.

WORSHIP, LUNCH & MUSIC continues through Lent **this Thursday** 12noon at St Michael's.

NEEDED: Has anyone got any spare plain broom handles? We need 4 to make hobby horses for our activity days. Please see Yvonne or Lesley if you can help.

Can you help? St John's are planning spring cleaning sessions after the service on **Sunday 14th and 21st May**. We would welcome any help to give our church a deep clean. If you are

unable to make these times, but would still like to help at a time to suit you, then please contact Lesley who has a list of jobs to be done indoors or outdoors.

EASTER CARDS for sale in foyer £1 each. Made by Terri, a Christian artist living in the south west of England. To order extra cards, see Vicky.

The next **Filling Station** at Rodington Village Hall takes place **tomorrow evening** (27th) 7.15pm for 7.30pm with speaker Rev Phil Cansdale, also celebrating 12 months of The Filling Station.

CAN YOU HEAR A PIANO PLAYING? During times when hirers of St John's are meeting between **Tuesday 28th March and Sunday 9th April** Anne will be playing the piano in the foyer raising funds for *Turkey-Syria Earthquake appeal*.

Our **Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)** takes place on **Sunday 2nd April** during the main services at Lilleshall and Muxton. We hear about the life of our churches in 2022, elect Church Wardens and PCC members. Vacancies:- **SJM** Church Wardens: 2 one year vacancies (Applications to be received before the start of the meeting) PCC: 4 vacancies for three years, 2 vacancies for two years, 3 one year vacancies and Deanery Synod Representatives: 3 three year posts. **SML** Church Wardens: 2 one year vacancies (Applications to be received before the start of the meeting) PCC: 3 vacancies for three years and 1 vacancy for one & two years. Please consider/pray whether these posts maybe for you...

Now that spring is here **WARM THURSDAYS** has ended. In May a new venture will begin '*The Coffee Lounge*' taking place on **Wednesdays** 9.30am-4.30pm at St Michael's. See separate leaflet at the back of church.

GDPR-Communication permissions: Every few years we update our means of contact and sharing details. Therefore please could you fill in a NEW Privacy & Consent form. If we have your details already a copy will be emailed to you and also forms will be available in our churches. **EVERYONE** will need to complete the new form to continue our communication with each other.

CHARITY DONATIONS: So far in 2023 attendees of Join us 4 a Cuppa! have raised a wonderful amount of money for various charities£20 for Tearfund in aid of the recent Turkey/Syria Earthquake appeal, £50 to Comic Relief and £40 for Parkinson's UK raised from book sales.

EVENTS CELEBRATING THE KINGS CORONATION: A number of events will be taking place during the time around the King's Coronation. The bell ringers from St Michael's will

be marking the Coronation time and date tbc. On Saturday 6th May St John's will be live streaming the Coronation Service, time tbc, Sunday 7th May A Coronation Big Lunch will take place between 1-4pm at St John's...including bring your own picnic, stalls, live music, games, bouncy castles, bar, refreshments and in the evening screening of the Coronation Concert (time tbc). Saturday 13th May at 6.30pm St Michael's will be holding a Coronation Concert with the Cosford Military Wives Choir. Tickets are Adults £10 and Children £5. Tickets available soon and will include light refreshments.

WEEKEND AWAY 23rd-25th June 2023: This year we have reserved the accommodation nearest the canteen so only a very short walk (and not uphill!!) for food and rooms..everywhere is accessible. You can pay by instalments anytime and **full payment will be due mid May**. Booking form available on welcome desk.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday 9-3pm, Tuesday 9-12noon and Friday 9-3pm

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Psalms 139:13-14 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

<p style="text-align: center;">Services and Rotas for Sunday 2nd April - Palm Sunday</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SML - 9.30am APCM and 6.30pm Holy Communion</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SJM - 11am APCM</p>	
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Sidesperson: 9.30am John & Diane 6.30pm Jean	Sidesperson: Dave & Sue
Reading: Jean M	Reading: David P
Prayers: Service Leader	Communion: N/A
Coffee: Harry & Katrina	Prayers: David P
	Coffee: Dave & Sue
	No SAS or Spark

1st Reading - Philippians 4:10-20

¹⁰ I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. ¹¹ I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. ¹² I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. ¹³ I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

¹⁴ Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. ¹⁵ Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; ¹⁶ for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid more than once when I was in need. ¹⁷ Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account. ¹⁸ I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

²⁰ To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

2nd Reading - Mark 14:3-9

³ While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head.

⁴ Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, 'Why this waste of perfume? ⁶ It could have been sold for more than a year's wages and the money given to the poor.' And they rebuked her harshly.

⁶ 'Leave her alone,' said Jesus. 'Why are you bothering her? She has done a beautiful thing to me. ⁷ The poor you will always have with you, and you can help them any time you want. But you will not always have me. ⁸ She did what she could. She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial. ⁹ Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her.'