

St John's and St Michael's Churches Notices for Sunday 23rd July

St Michael's

9.30am MORNING WORSHIP: Good morning and welcome to our service today led by James. Matthew talks to us about 'The Death of Saul' 1 Samuel 31:1-13 and John 5:19-27.

Sidesperson: Janet **Reading:** Katie F **Prayers:** Janet & Colette
Coffee: Dave & June

St John's

8.15am Good Morning Sunday (GMS) Newspapers, breakfast, conversation and prayer.

11am HOLY COMMUNION: A warm welcome to our service today led by Matthew who talks to us about 'The Death of Saul' 1 Samuel 31:1-13 and John 5:19-27.

This morning at St John's we will be having an "unplugged" service to give the AV team a break. So we will be relying on paper. Notices/orders of service & song words available on the welcome desk as you came in.

Sidesperson: Geoff & Mary **Reading:** Vicky **Communion:** Pam & Geoff
Prayers: Shirley **Coffee:** Lesley & Melissa

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>

THANK YOU to all of you for your cards, your prayers and your kind words last weekend as we bid farewell prior to moving down to Sussex. If anyone is down in the Hailsham / Eastbourne area, do get in touch - we'd love to see you. With our best wishes and our prayers for you all, and for the continued growth and health of St John's and St Michael's, John and Jane Preston.

The next **FILLING STATION** at Rodington Village Hall 7.15pm for 7.30pm is **TOMORROW** evening (24th). The speaker is Rev Christopher Landau who is involved in leading 'Resource' a national renewal organisation (based in Telford).

THE COFFEE LOUNGE takes place at St Michael's **EVERY Wednesday** 9.30am-4.30pm.

The next **WOW** is **THIS** Wednesday (26th) meeting at the Whitehouse Hotel in Muxton at 7pm ...

ACTIVITY DAYS: Please pray for this years Activity Days. We have, at the moment, 66 young people attending from Yrs R-6. Please also pray for all our leaders. The theme this year is 'Godwants - Ministry of Miracles'.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: 'Hymn'athon at St Michael's on 14th October.
(The Parish Supper put on hold until the new year)

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Matthew 19:14

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

1 Samuel 31:1-13

31 Now the Philistines fought against Israel; the Israelites fled before them, and many fell dead on Mount Gilboa. ² The Philistines were in hot pursuit of Saul and his sons, and they killed his sons Jonathan, Abinadab and Malki-Shua. ³ The fighting grew fierce around Saul, and when the archers overtook him, they wounded him critically.

⁴ Saul said to his armour-bearer, 'Draw your sword and run me through, or these uncircumcised fellows will come and run me through and abuse me.' But the armour-bearer was terrified and would not do it; so Saul took his own sword and fell on it. ⁵ When the armour-bearer saw that Saul was dead, he too fell on his sword and died with him. ⁶ So Saul and his three sons and his armour-bearer and all his men died together that same day.

⁷ When the Israelites along the valley and those across the Jordan saw that the Israelite army had fled and that Saul and his sons had died, they abandoned their towns and fled. And the Philistines came and occupied them.

⁸ The next day, when the Philistines came to strip the dead, they found Saul and his three sons fallen on Mount Gilboa. ⁹ They cut off his head and stripped off his armour, and they sent messengers throughout the land of the Philistines to proclaim the news in the temple of their idols and among their people. ¹⁰ They put his armour in the temple of the Ashtoreths and fastened his body to the wall of Beth Shan.

¹¹ When the people of Jabesh Gilead heard what the Philistines had done to Saul, ¹² all their valiant men marched through the night to Beth Shan. They took down the bodies of Saul and his sons from the wall of Beth Shan and went to Jabesh, where they burned them. ¹³ Then they took their bones and buried them under a tamarisk tree at Jabesh, and they fasted seven days.

John 5:19-27

¹⁹ Jesus gave them this answer: 'Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does. ²⁰ For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, and he will show him even greater works than these, so that you will be amazed. ²¹ For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son gives life to whom he is pleased to give it. ²² Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, ²³ that all may honour the Son just as they honour the Father. Whoever does not honour the Son does not honour the Father, who sent him.

²⁴ 'Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life. ²⁵ Very truly I tell you, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live. ²⁶ For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. ²⁷ And he has given him authority to judge because he is the Son of Man.

Services and Rotas for Sunday 30th July SML - 9.30am Morning Worship and 6.30pm Holy Communion SJM - 11am Holy Communion (BCP)	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: 9.30am Fran & 6.30pm Geoff	Sidesperson: Melissa
Reading: Jo	Reading: Di
Prayers: Service Leader	Communion: Volunteers please
Coffee: Harry & Katrina	Prayers: Tagg family
	Coffee: Jane + Lesley/Melissa
	No SAS/Spark