## St John's and St Michael's Churches Notices for Sunday 9th July

## St Michael's

9.30am MORNING WORSHIP + BAPTISM: Good morning and welcome to our service today led by our vicar Matthew. Our curate Vikki talks to us about 'David & Goliath' 1 Samuel 17: 32-50. We would also like to offer a very warm welcome to Sophie, and her family and friends, who is being baptised today.

Sidesperson: Harry & Katrina Reading: tbc Prayers: Chris L & Angie

Coffee: Dave & Sue

## St John's

11am HOLY COMMUNION: Welcome to our service today led by Vikki who talks to us about David & Goliath 1 Samuel 17: 32-50 and Matthew 5:1-12.

**6.30pm REST:** Vikki leads our quiet reflection this evening - an opportunity to take time out of the busyness of the week and to 'rest' with God.

Sidesperson: Steve &

Heather Reading: Steve Communion: Simon & Judith Prayers: Service Leader Coffee: Steve &

Heather SAS: Martie & Katharine

Due to the unavailability of our regular AV operators, tomorrow's service may not be livestreamed

Office closed Friday 14th, Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th
July

The final PASTORAL CARE TRAINING takes place this afternoon at St John's from 3.30pm.

ST MICHAEL'S PCC have their next meeting tomorrow evening 7.30pm in Church.

You are invited to join us at our next **POP IN FOR COFFEE** at St Michael's **this Thursday** (13th) between 10am-12noon. Look forward to seeing you.

SoulSpeak continues this Thursday 7.30pm at St John's Church.

JOHN & JANE PRESTON MOVING TO PASTURES NEW: We are planning a shared lunch for John and Jane after the service at St John's NEXT Sunday (16th). Please join John & Jane on the 16th to wish them well and if you are able to bring a plate of food to share. We have put together a list with some ideas to put your name next to, any further suggestions/preference please add them to the list with your name. Please do join us on the 16th. All welcome.

ST JOHN'S PCC is meeting next on Monday 17th July 7.45pm in church

As usual the Hartridge BBQ will take place on the first Saturday of the school holidays, Saturday 22nd July from 2:30pm. Simon and Julie won't be in church the next couple of Sundays but need to know numbers before putting out the food list. If you intend coming please email Simon (simonhartridge1@gmail.com) and if you'd like to bring anything in particular please let him know as this will help.

Newport Cottage Care Centre - Churches Together
Service every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month 1.45-2.15pm. A
leader & musician each month are arranged: but more singers
needed (hymns mainly). Please join us as we enable older
people to sing hymns they love & know. Dates for the rest of
the year: July 14<sup>th</sup>; August 11<sup>th</sup>; September 8<sup>th</sup>; October 13<sup>th</sup>;

November 10th; December 8th. For more information contact: Joan Furlong 07889 853740

ACTIVITY DAYS: Are you interested in helping at this year's St John's Activity Days. We are excited to offer three fun packed days (25/26/27 July). The theme this year is 'Godwarts - Ministry of Miracles'. If you can help in any capacity please fill in a form available at both churches and give to either Ellie or Lesley in the church office.

**ACTIVITY DAYS** For young people in Year R-6....booking forms available via our website or in church....tell your friends and neighbours...

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

Email: admin@stjohnsmuxton.org.uk or admin@stmichaelslille shall.org.uk

**Website:** <u>www.stjohnsmuxton.org.uk</u> or <u>www.stmichaelslillesh</u> <u>all.org.uk</u>

Church Office - 01952 670033

Matthew's Email: <a href="matthew.lefroy@tiscali.co.uk">matthew.lefroy@tiscali.co.uk</a> (Usual day off Friday)

Vikki's Email: <a href="mailto:revdayvik@gmail.com">revdayvik@gmail.com</a> (Normal day off Friday)

Services and Rotas for Sunday 16th July	
SML - 9.30am Holy Communion	
SJM - 11am Morning Worship	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: Cedric	Sidesperson: Julie & Milly
	Reading: Jane Pr
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Prayers: Service Leader	Prayers: Gill 5
Coffee: Katie & Laurie	Coffee: Simon & Julie
	SAS: Sue & Martie
	Spark: Andrew & Volunteer

St Michael's & St John's Reading 1 - 1 Samuel 17: 32 to 50

- 32 David said to Saul, "Let no one lose heart on account of this Philistine; your servant will go and fight him." 33 Saul replied, "You are not able to go out against this Philistine and fight him; you are only a young man, and he has been a warrior from his youth." 34 But David said to Saul, "Your servant has been keeping his father's sheep. When a lion or a bear came and carried off a sheep from the flock, 35 I went after it, struck it and rescued the sheep from its mouth. When it turned on me, I seized it by its hair, struck it and killed it. 36 Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God. 37 The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine." Saul said to David, "Go, and the Lord be with you."
- 38 Then Saul dressed David in his own tunic. He put a coat of armor on him and a bronze helmet on his head. 39 David fastened on his sword over the tunic and tried walking around, because he was not used to them. "I cannot go in these," he said to Saul, "because I am not used to them." So he took them off. 40 Then he took his staff in his hand, chose five smooth stones from the stream, put them in the pouch of his shepherd's bag and, with his sling in his hand, approached the Philistine.
- 41 Meanwhile, the Philistine, with his shield bearer in front of him, kept coming closer to David. 42 He looked David over and saw that he was little more than a boy, glowing with health and handsome, and he despised him. 43 He said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come at me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. 44 "Come here," he said, "and I'll give your flesh to the birds and the wild animals!"
- 45 David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. 46 This day the Lord will deliver you into my

hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head. This very day I will give the carcasses of the Philistine army to the birds and the wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel. 47 All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the Lord saves; for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give all of you into our hands."

48 As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet him. 49 Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone, he slung it and struck the Philistine on the forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell facedown on the ground. 50 So David triumphed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone; without a sword in his hand he struck down the Philistine and killed him.

## St John's Reading 2 - Matthew 5:1-12

5 Now when Jesus saw the crowds, he went up on a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came to him, 2 and he began to teach them. He said:

- 3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- 5 Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- 6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- 7 Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
- 8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- 9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- 10 Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,

for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 "Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. 12 Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.