St John's and St Michael's Churches Notices for Sunday 15th October

St Michael's

9.30am HOLY COMMUNION: Welcome to our service today led by Vikki. We continue our series on truth through stories. Jan will be talking to us about 'The workers in the vineyard' Matthew 4:12-17 and Matthew 20:1-16

Sidesperson: Janet Reading: Ann J Prayers: Jo Coffee: Philippa & Dee

St John's

11am MORNING WORSHIP: A very warm welcome to our service today led by Vikki. Today Jan continues our series on truth through stories talking to us about *The workers in the vineyard'* Matthew 4:12-17 and Matthew 20:1-16.

Sidesperson: Chris

K Reading: Wendy Prayers: Jo

Coffee: Melissa & Chris K SAS: Sue & Jo Spark: Andrew &

Sam

6.30pm HEALING SERVICE: Welcome to our quiet reflective service of healing led by Matthew.

Watch our 11am service live on You

Tube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB6

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PRAYERS: All are welcome to join us before our Sunday service at St John's at 10.15am for prayer. Each week, we use this time to focus our prayers and seek God's will and vision in a specific area where we are trying to discern the way forward. For the coming weeks, we will focus our prayers on the area of Children's and Youth work and ministry. We will also spend a short time each week to pray for the service that morning. Please do join us as we look to fulfil our vision of an unashamedly praying Church.

The Coffee Lounge at St Michael's continues to take place every Wednesday 9.30am-4.30pm.. All welcome

WATCH England in the Rugby World Cup Quarter Finals this afternoon (15th)at St John's, match starts at 4pm.

The EVANGELISM TEAM meets next tomorrow evening at 7pm.

Kathy is placing an order for **THE REAL ADVENT CALENDAR** at the beginning of November. If you would like one please put your name on the form on the welcome desk, and give Kathy the money, by the end of October. The calendars are £4.50 each. Thank you.

In October we meet for **FORGET ME NOT FILMs** on **Thursday (19th)** at St John's, watching 'The Incredible Journey' from 9.15am

PRINCE OF EGYPT (PG) the Dreamworks West End musical about Moses is showing at Telford Odeon on **Thursday 19th October** at 7pm and **Sunday 22nd October** at 2pm. For details, the trailer and to book go to: www.odeon.co.uk/films/the-prince-of-egypt-the-musical/H000004764/

The next JOIN US 4 A CUPPA! at St John's takes place THIS Friday (20th) October 11am-1pm. This month its our annual 'Wear something pink' theme helping to support and raise funds for Breast Cancer Now.

LILLESHALL WI will be hosting a COFFEE MORNING on Friday (20th) 10am-12noon at Lilleshall Memorial Hall to help raise funds for life-changing breast cancer research and care including a raffle, cake & produce stall,

You are warmly invited to celebrate the 8th ANNIVERSARY of TELFORD'S CAP DEBT CENTRE on Monday 23rd October 7-8.30pm at All Saints Church in Wellington. This is a chance to meet the new Debt Centre manager Ann Trehern and our volunteers and hear how people in Telford have become debt free in the last year.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Are you getting ready for Shoebox Season?...National Collection Week is 13-20th November...St John's is a designated drop off point for the area. You can drop off your boxes anytime during office hours. Thank you for your continued and valued support in providing gifts for children who may otherwise not receive a gift this Christmas.

MUXTON RAINBOWS are looking for another leader as one of their leaders has gone off to university. They wondered if anyone from our churches would be interested. The volunteer would need to be over 18 and willing to have a DBS check and do safe space training. Please contact either the church office or Jo jolutner@icloud.com

Join us a **Good Morning Sunday** next week (22nd) at 8.15am with breakfast, papers and good conversation. If anyone is able to organise breakfast that would be appreciated. Thank you

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

MAGIC, MUSIC & LAUGHTER with Paul Rushworth on Saturday 18 Nov 6.30pm at Lilleshall Memorial Hall, contact Katie for info or tickets katiecfoster@gmail.com. Further details in the church magazine. A short course Spiritual Renewal in Smaller Churches - a day for those in little local and ordinary churches, Wednesday 22nd November 2023 10am-5pm at Telford Minster, Southwater. Tickets £15 including lunch. Followed by evening celebration 7:30-9:30pm, including the launch of our 2024 Lent Course, Alive in Christ. Free Admission.

https://www.resource-arm.net/events/62/feeding-the-five-thousand

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

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Reading 1 - Matthew 4:12-17

¹² When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali - ¹⁴ to fulfil what was said through the prophet Isaiah:

Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles the people living in darkness have seen a great light;
 on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.'

¹⁷ From that time on Jesus began to preach, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'

Reading 2 - Matthew 20:1-16

20 'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. ²He agreed to pay them denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

³'About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the market-place doing nothing. ⁴He told them, "You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." ⁵So they went.

'He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, "Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?"

⁷ "Because no one has hired us," they answered.

'He said to them, "You also go and work in my vineyard."

- ⁸ 'When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first."
- 9'The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. 10 So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. 11 When they

received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 12 "These who were hired last worked only one hour," they said, "and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day."

¹³ 'But he answered one of them, "I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius? ¹⁴ Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. ¹⁵ Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?"

16 'So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

Services and Rotas for Sunday 22nd October	
SML - 9.30am Morning Worship & Baptism	
SJM - 8.15am GMS and 11am Holy Communion & Baptism	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: Harry & Katrina	Sidesperson: Pete & Julie
	Reading: Val
Reading: Geoff	Communion: Wendy & Kathy
Prayers: Service Leader	Prayers: Pam
Coffee: Dee & Laurie	Coffee: Pete & Julie
	SAS: Matthew & Katharine
	Spark : Kathy & Kerry