

St John's and St Michael's Churches Notices for Sunday 22nd October

St Michael's

9.30am MORNING WORSHIP & BAPTISM: Welcome to our service today led by Matthew. We continue our series on truth through stories with Jon talking to us about 'Two Sons' Matthew 21:28-32. We offer a very warm welcome to Emmie and her family and friends who is being baptised today.

Sidesperson: Harry & Katrina **Reading:** Geoff **Prayers:** Service
Leader **Coffee:** Dee & Laurie

St John's

8.15am Good Morning Sunday: On a busy Sunday, start the day with God and be fed and ready to go by 9:15! Breakfast from 8.15 am, the Sunday papers, conversation, prayer and reflection.

11am HOLY COMMUNION & BAPTISM: A warm welcome to our service today led by Matthew. Jon continues our series on truth through stories talking to us about 'Two Sons' Matthew 21:28-32. We especially offer a warm welcome to Kieran who is being baptised today by full immersion.

Sidesperson: Pete & Julie **Reading:** Val **Prayers:** Pam **Communion:** Wendy & Kathy
SAS: Matthew & Katharine **Spark:** Kathy & Kerry **Coffee:** Lesley & Chris K

Watch our 11am service live on You

Tube

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB6N81vubkdzSYD7rCPFW5Q>

PRAYERS: Please join us Sundays at St John's for a time of prayer at 10.15am. We will 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 Children's and Youth work and ministry. We will also spend a short time 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

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 at St John's, and give Kathy the money, by the end of October. The calendars are £4.50 each. Thank you.

PRINCE OF EGYPT (PG) the Dreamworks West End musical about Moses is showing at Telford Odeon on **TODAY** at 2pm. For details, the trailer and to book go to: www.odeon.co.uk/films/the-prince-of-egypt-the-musical/HO00004764/

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.

The next **FILLING STATION** at Rodington Village Hall takes place on **Monday 23rd October** 7.15pm for 7.30pm with guest speaker Laura Lenander from Telford Minster.

The next **WOW** takes place on **Wed 25th Oct** at 7pm at the Whitehouse Hotel in Muxton.

CELEBRATION OF LIGHT October **31st** 5-8pm: Come and celebrate light in the middle of the darkness this Hallowe'en. St John's will be open for people to gather to pray while Hallowe'en activities take place outside. There will also be an opportunity for anyone who wants to, to bring along a pumpkin and carve it with a Christian pattern.

HOUSEGROUP LEADERS are due to meet next 7.30pm on **Monday 6th November**.

TEARFUND QUIZ: Invite your friends and family to Tearfund's family friendly quiz on **Saturday 18th November** 7.30pm at St John's. Come as a team or join one on the night - £3 per person. Bring your own drinks. You will be able to treat yourself to a slice of pizza £1 per slice or buy a whole one for £6!! Tea and coffee will also be available. Tickets from the church office.

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.

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 katiecfooster@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>

2nd December - St John's Christmas Fair

9th December - 'Rumours of Angels' at St John's

15th December - Carols & Candles at St John's

20th December - Carol singing around Muxton...Further info to follow

Services and Rotas for Sunday 29th October SML - 9.30am Morning Worship & 6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP) SJM - 11am Morning Worship	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: 9.30am Fran 6.30pm Geoff	Sidesperson: Ann L
Reading: Wayne	Reading: Melissa
Prayers: David L	Communion: N/A
Coffee: Janet & Helper	Prayers: Gill S
	Coffee: Sue F & Ann L
	SAS: Katharine & Martie
	Spark : Andrew & Alasdair

OFFICE HOURS: Monday 9-3pm, Tuesday 9-12noon and Friday 9-3pm
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Reading 1 Matthew 21:28-32

²⁸'What do you think? There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, "Son, go and work today in the vineyard."

²⁹"I will not," he answered, but later he changed his mind and went.

³⁰'Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, "I will, sir," but he did not go.

³¹'Which of the two did what his father wanted?'

'The first,' they answered.

Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you. ³²For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe him.