

St John's and St Michael's Churches Notices for Sunday 21st April

St Michael's

9.30am Holy Communion: Good morning and welcome to our service today. As we continue our series 'Foundations for Life' Matthew talks to us about 'Why Pray and how to do it?' Hebrews 4:14-16 and Matthew 6:5-15.

Sidesperson: Cedric **Reading:** Cedric **Prayers:** Service Leader **Coffee:** Dave & June

St John's

11am Morning Worship & Baptism: A very warm welcome to Ocean, along with her family and friends, who is being Baptised today. Our service is led by Matthew and he continues our 'Foundations for Life' series today talking about 'Why Pray and how to do it?' Hebrews 4:14-16 and Matthew 6:5-15.

Sidesperson: Simon & Lesley **Reading:** Chris K **Prayers:** Service Leader **Coffee:** Simon & Lesley **SAS:** Katharine & Mel **Spark:** Kathy & Alasdair

Watch on YouTube the 11am service from St John's...

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCB6N81vubkdzSYD7rCPFw5Q>

St Michael's - Prayer Ministry is available after the 9.30am Sunday service.

St John's - Prayer Meeting: Please join us before the Sunday service at 10.15am for prayer. Using this time to focus our prayers, seek God's will and vision in a specific area where we are trying to discern the way forward. After the service **Prayer Ministry** is also available.

A **BIG** thank you to all who were involved in the Ladies Day which took place last Saturday. The day was enjoyed by approx 75 ladies with a great speaker, good food and various enjoyable workshops. A big thank you to Julie S and the wonderful team of helpers.

Sunday Morning Rotas: Is anyone able to help on a Sunday Morning on a rota basis? We have reading and prayer rotas, serving refreshments and welcoming. Please speak to Lesley or any of the church wardens for further information about this important ministry.

The **FILLING STATION** @ Rodington Village Hall continues **tomorrow evening (22nd)** 7.15pm for 7.30pm and they are looking forward to welcoming Chris Densham who was the Ecumenical Mission Enabler for Telford and Shropshire until he retired in 2023.

Prayers with Breakfast: Please come along to St John's on **Sunday 28th April** at 9am and enjoy breakfast together followed by a time of prayer.

ELECTIONS: FYI St John's is unavailable on **Thursday 2nd May** due to the elections taking place.

'**Threads through Creation**' is an extraordinary, uplifting art exhibition at Lichfield Cathedral, on show **until 2nd June** as part of a nationwide tour of 20 cathedrals. The show consists of twelve beautiful silk panels re-imagining the story of creation from Genesis. Admission free See www.lichfield-cathedral.org

Design a logo for St John's: Could you help us by designing a Logo for St John's? We would love you to put your creative skills to good use and to design a simple logo that captures what St John's is about. We want to be "Passionate for God by visibly developing trust in Jesus, readily taking risks, generously serving our community and unashamedly praying." Please submit your ideas to the office before the end of May.

The Coffee Lounge at St Michael's takes place 9.30am-4.30pm **every Wednesday** .. All are welcome. We look forward to seeing you.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:

St John's Summer Fayre and Dog Festival on **Saturday 6th July 2-5pm.**

NORMAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9-3pm, Tuesday 9-12noon and Friday 9-3pm 670033

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<p>Services and Rotas for Sunday 28th April SML - 9.30am Morning Worship & 6.30pm Holy Communion (CW) SJM - 11am Holy Communion</p>	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: 9.30am Harry & Katrina and 6.30pm Fran	Sidesperson: Terry & Jan
Reading: Jo	Reading: Julie S (tbc)
Prayers: Service Leader	Communion: Moira & Jan
Coffee: Fran	Prayers: Barbara
	Coffee: Terry & Jan
	SAS: Martie & Dom
	Spark: Andrew & Sam

Hebrews 4:14-16

¹⁴ We have a great high priest. He has gone up into heaven. He is Jesus the Son of God. So let us hold firmly to what we say we believe. ¹⁵ We have a high priest who can feel it when we are weak and hurting. We have a high priest who has been tempted in every way, just as we are. But he did not sin. ¹⁶ So let us boldly approach God's throne of grace. Then we will receive mercy. We will find grace to help us when we need it.

Matthew 6:5-15

⁵ "When you pray, do not be like those who only pretend to be holy. They love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on the street corners. They want to be seen by other people. What I'm about to tell you is true. They have received their complete reward. ⁶ When you pray, go into your room. Close the door and pray to your Father, who can't be seen. Your Father will reward you, because he sees what you do secretly. ⁷ When you pray, do not keep talking on and on. That is what ungodly people do. They think they will be heard because they talk a lot. ⁸ Do not be like them. Your Father knows what you need even before you ask him.

⁹ ""This is how you should pray.

"Our Father in heaven,
may your name be honoured

¹⁰ May your kingdom come.

May what you want to happen be done
on earth as it is done in heaven.

¹¹ Give us today our daily bread.

¹² And forgive us our sins,
just as we also have forgiven those who sin against us.

¹³ Keep us from sinning when we are tempted.
Save us from the evil one.'

¹⁴ Forgive other people when they sin against you. If you do, your Father who is in heaven will also forgive you. ¹⁵ But if you do not forgive the sins of other people, your Father will not forgive your sins.