

St John's and St Michael's Churches
Notices for Sunday 18th August

St Michael's

9.30am Holy Communion: Welcome to our service today led by Jane. We offer a warm welcome to guest speaker David Bird who is from Compassion, an international Christian charity working with children to release them from poverty. *Exodus 34:1-7*. **Prayer Ministry** available after the service.

Sidesperson: Cedric **Reading:** David L **Prayers:** Janet & Colette
Coffee: Dave & June

St John's

11am All Age Morning Worship: A warm welcome this morning to our guest speaker David Bird from Compassion., an international charity supporting children and young people in every area of their lives, tackling the root causes of poverty that is holding them back. *Matthew 9:35-38*.

Sidesperson: Geoff & Mary **Reading:** Colin **Prayers:** Pam **Coffee:** Jo & Di

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

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

St John's - Prayer Meeting: Please join us before the Sunday service at **10.15am** for prayer. **Prayer Ministry** is also available after the service .

Activity Days T-Shirts: If you had a new t-shirt this year please arrange payment to Ellie as soon as possible and also arrange return of any borrowed t-shirts to either Ellie or Lesley. Thank you.

Gardening at St John's: Can you spare a little time on the morning of **Saturday 24th August** to help with a bit of weeding and general tidying of church grounds.? We will be gathering between 9am-11.30am ...many hands make light work.

The **Filling Station** in August is now **cancelled**..next FS is 23rd September.

PRAYER for Revival Telford from 8am **29th August to 31 August** 10pm. Book a slot on <https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/172b4e> There will be a special service on the evening of 29th August @ 7pm. For venue and further information please see the poster on display in our churches.

FASHION SHOW: Why not join Lilleshall Bellringers for their fundraising Fashion Show and Pop Up shop on **30th August 2024** at St John's Church, Muxton? Tickets are £5:00. Refreshments will be available, but you can bring your own wine/prosecco! All our models will be local ladies and it will be fun to see them strutting their stuff on the catwalk. Doors open at 7pm for a 7:30pm start. All proceeds go towards the Lilleshall Bell Restoration Appeal. Email or

message Lilleshall Bell Ringers to reserve a ticket. lilleshallbells@hotmail.com

The next **Prayer breakfast** at St Michael's takes place on **Sunday 1st September** 8.15 for 8.30am

St John's Evangelism Team are having a mission week planning meeting on **Tuesday 3rd September** 7.30pm at St John's.

Worship, Lunch & Music returns on **Thursday 5th September** at 12noon with a service of holy communion followed by lunch and recital.

St John's **LUNCHCLUB** takes place 12noon on **Friday 6th September**.

sub:Zero a Youth café for young people in school Yrs 7+ restarts after it's summer break on **Friday 6th September** from 4.30-6.30pm.

Leaders/Helpers of Activity Days are all invited to join an evening of fun and food **Friday 6th September**, 7pm at St John's.

The next **Safeguarding Team** meeting takes place on **Sunday 8th September** after the 11am service at St John's.

Truth to Tell! Our new informal worship begins its journey on **Thursday 12th September**. Come and join us for tea/coffee and cake with a 'Thought for the Day' between **10.30-11.30am** at St John's.

RIDE & STRIDE - SHROPSHIRE CHURCHES OPEN DAY this year takes place on **Saturday 14th September** when you have an opportunity to collect sponsorship and plan your route visiting churches around Shropshire. Half the money raised goes to our churches and the other to Shropshire Historic Churches Trust which gives grants for restoration. For further information see either Lesley, Ken or take a look on <https://www.shropshirehct.org.uk/OtherActivities/RideStride.aspx>

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

Confirmation Service 11am at St John's on 22nd September and **Preparation:** The second preparation session and rehearsal takes place on **Thursday 12th September** from 6pm-7pm at St John's.

Vikki Day is heading off to Sandhurst in September for her training to become an Army Chaplain. Her last day when we will be officially saying farewell is at a joint service on **Sunday 15th Sept** 11am at St Michael's followed by a shared lunch at St John's and afternoon tea at St Michael's.

Telford Street Pastors is celebrating 13 years of working in Telford at a special event on the evening of **Friday 27th September**. Revd Les Isaac, founder of Street Pastors, will be speaking, new Street Pastors will be commissioned and there will be songs by the Darby Singers. Refreshments to follow.

St John's Community Choir presents '*Shaken not stirred*' a concert on **Saturday 28th September** 2pm/7pm. Further details will follow.

Date for your diary: Tearfund Quiz **Saturday 16th November**

BELL RESTORATION APPEAL: An appeal has been launched to raise money to restore the bells at Lilleshall Church and the target we are aiming for is huge! There will be lots of events and fundraising activities planned so look out for them. To date, nearly £100 through EASY FUNDRAISING, and for the 23 of our supporters who have signed up to this scheme, it has not cost them a penny! This is money that shops and businesses give away as a tax incentive. If you do your weekly shop on-line, please consider supporting the Lilleshall Bell Restoration Appeal through EASY FUNDRAISING. Speak to Julie HARTRIDGE for more information.

Donate your used **PRINTER INK CARTRIDGES** in the porch at both churches to help raise funds for Lilleshall Bell Restoration Appeal.

NORMAL OFFICE HOURS

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

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Services and Rotas for Sunday 25th August	
SML - 9.30am Morning Worship	
SJM - 11am Holy Communion	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: Janet	Sidesperson: Simon & Lesley
Reading: Jean	Reading: Julie S
Prayers: Service Leader	Communion: Moira & Jan
Coffee: Katie/Laurie	Prayers: Jane E
	Coffee: Simon & Lesley

St Michael's - Exodus 34:1-7

34 The Lord said to Moses, 'Chisel out two stone tablets like the first ones, and I will write on them the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke. ² Be ready in the morning, and then come up on Mount Sinai. Present yourself to me there on top of the mountain. ³ No one is to come with you or be seen anywhere on the mountain; not even the flocks and herds may graze in front of the mountain.'

⁴ So Moses chiselled out two stone tablets like the first ones and went up Mount Sinai early in the morning, as the Lord had commanded him; and he carried the two stone tablets in his hands. ⁵ Then the Lord came down in the

cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the Lord. ⁶ And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, 'The Lord, the Lord, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, ⁷ maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation.'

St John's - Matthew 9:35-38

³⁵ Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and illness. ³⁶ When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. ³⁷ Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ³⁸ Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.'