

St John's and St Michael's Churches

Notices for Sunday 24th November

St Michael's

9.30am Morning Worship: A warm welcome to our service this morning led by Angie. Jon talks to us about 'Service and Servanthood' Mark 10:35-45 and Philippians 2:5-11. **Prayer Ministry** available after the service

Sidesperson: Fran & Finley **Reading:** Laurie **Prayers:** David
L **Coffee:** Philippa & Dee

St John's

9am Prayers: Welcome to our monthly **Prayers with Breakfast** from 9am.

11am Holy Communion; Good morning and welcome to our service today led by Matthew. Jon talks to us about 'Service and Servanthood' Mark 10:35-45 and Philippians 2:5-11

Sidesperson: John & Wendy **Reading:** Brenda **Communion:** Gill S & Jo
Prayers: Jon **Coffee:** Chris L & Dave/Sue **SAS:** Simon & Helen
Spark: Katharine & Mel

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.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - Collection Week: **128** boxes, **4** bags of 'fillers' and **£84** in cash donations were received and collected by Samaritan's Purse on Tuesday. **Thank you all** so very much for your support.

Tearfund: We are pleased to say that £114.84 was raised for Tearfund during 'The BIG Quiz'....Thank you to all who contributed to a lovely evening.

Telford Elim and All Saints presents **Comedy at Christmas** on **THIS EVENING 6pm** at All Saints, Wellington. Tickets are free but you do need to book via Eventbrite. QR Code on the posters up in church.

NEXT SATURDAY - St John's Christmas Fayre takes place **Saturday 30th November** 2-5pm. Mulled Wine, Hot Drinks, Children's Crafts, Entertainment and Stalls. If you are able to help serve refreshments.. **PLEASE** speak to Lesley, as we are short of volunteers. Thank you

The next **St Michael's Prayer Breakfast** takes place on **December 1st** at 8.30am. All welcome.

WORSHIP, LUNCH & MUSIC takes place on **Thursday 5th December** at 12noon. We begin with a service followed by lunch and a recital.

UPDATED NOTICE: **St John's Community Choir** presents Graham Kenrick's 'Make Way for Christmas (The Gift)' on **Sunday 8th**

December 4pm (Full) now offering an evening performance at 7pm at St John's. Tickets are free but donations will be gratefully received, available from Ellie or via Lesley in the church office.

The Gallery Singers are performing *Now May We Singen*, a collection of carols and songs for Christmas on **Sunday 8th December** 3pm at St Peter's Church, Edmond. Tickets 12/£6 children available on the door or via 07968 906446.

Lunchclub Christmas Lunch will take place at St John's on **Friday 13th December** at 12 noon ... £10 each for 3 courses followed by mince pies.

Christmas Day Lunch 1.30pm (ish): Come and enjoy Christmas Dinner in the company of the Church Family on Christmas Day. The food is free but space limited and, so we know how many to cater for, **please book by Friday 13th December** by contacting the Church Office and giving your name and contact phone number or email. **Please** pass this on to anyone you know who is on their own this Christmas.

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS PRESENT: Give a gift to someone who has nothing. Inside the Samaritan's Purse Gift Catalogue, you'll find lots of gifts that each have the power to change lives in Jesus' Name. Take a look on www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/gift-catalogue. Gifts start from £5.

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

At a Glance - Additional Special Services/Events during Advent

30th November - St John's Christmas Fayre 2-5pm

8th December - St John's Community Choir Concert 4pm (full) and 7pm

15th December - St Michael's Christingle 3.30pm

18th December - Carol singing around Muxton 6.30pm

20th December - St John's Carols & Candles 8pm

22nd December - St John's Carol Service 11am AND St Michael's Candlelit Carol Service 6.30pm

Christmas Eve - St John's Crib Service 3.30pm and St Michael's 11pm Holy Communion

Christmas Day - Holy Communion at St Michael's 9.30am and St John's 11am. Christmas Dinner @ St John's 1.30pm **ish** (please book via office)

BELL RESTORATION APPEAL has been launched to raise money to restore the bells at St Michael's. Look out for our fundraising events. We are also raising funds through **EASY FUNDRAISING**, it does not cost you 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**.

Donate your used **PRINTER INK CARTRIDGES** in the porch at both churches to help raise funds for Lilleshall Bell Restoration Appeal. (**Please** only cartridges that fit in the box).

NORMAL OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9-3pm, Tuesday 9-12noon and Friday 9-3pm - 01952 670033

Services and Rotas for Sunday 1st December - Advent SML - 9.30am Holy Communion and 6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP) SJM - 11am Morning Worship	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: John & Diane and 6.30pm Geoff	Sidesperson: Dave & Sue Reading: Di
Reading: Katie F	Communion: N/A
Prayers: Service Leader	Prayers: Barbara
Coffee: Dave & June	Coffee: Jan & Terry
	Spark: Andrew & Sam SAS: Martie & Jo

Mark 10:35-45

³⁵ Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. 'Teacher,' they said, 'we want you to do for us whatever we ask.'

³⁶ 'What do you want me to do for you?' he asked.

³⁷ They replied, 'Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory.'

³⁸ 'You don't know what you are asking,' Jesus said. 'Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptised with the baptism I am baptised with?'

³⁹ 'We can,' they answered.

Jesus said to them, 'You will drink the cup I drink and be baptised with the baptism I am baptised with, ⁴⁰ but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared.'

⁴¹ When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. ⁴² Jesus called them together and said: 'You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. ⁴³ Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴ and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶ who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming
obedient to death - even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.