

## St John's and St Michael's Churches Notices for 1st Sunday of Advent

### St Michael's

**8.30am Prayer Breakfast:** We offer you a warm welcome to our time of prayer together with breakfast.

**9.30am Holy Communion:** Good morning and welcome to our service today led by Paula. Jan talks to us about '*Making Disciples*' loving God and one another. *Matthew 28:16-20 and John 14:12-17*. **Prayer Ministry** available after the service

**Sidesperson:** John & Diane **Reading:** Katie **Prayers:** Service leader **Coffee:** Dave & June

**6.30pm Evening Prayer (BCP):** A warm welcome to our service this evening.

**Sidesperson:** Geoff

### St John's

**11am Morning Worship:** A warm welcome to our service this morning led by Jon. Jan talks to us about '*Making Disciples*' loving God and one another. *Matthew 28:16-20 and John 14:12-17*.

**Sidesperson:** Dave &

**Sue** **Reading:** Di **Prayers:** Barbara

**Coffee:** Terry & Jan **SAS:** Martie &

**Jo** **Spark:** Andrew & Sam

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.

**WORSHIP, LUNCH & MUSIC** takes place on **Thursday 5th December** at 12noon. We begin with a morning 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..... We would like to offer refreshments at both our performances and are asking for **donations** of mince pies, fairy cakes and tray bakes serving with tea and coffee. If you feel you are able to help with any of these goodies please drop off with Lesley during office hours or you are visiting at other times can be left by her office door ...thank you so much

**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, Edgmond. Tickets 12/£6 children on the door or 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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.

You are all warmly invited to the **WI Carol Service** on **Saturday 14th December** 2.30pm at St Michael's with refreshments.

**CHRISTINGLE:** Get your Christmas off to a cracking start with a traditional Christingle at **St Michael's** on **Sunday 15th December @ 3.30pm**. A fun service for families.

**CAROL SINGING AROUND MUXTON** on **Wednesday 18th December** meeting at St John's 6.30pm then returning for mulled wine and mince pies.

**FORGET ME NOT FILMS** would like you to join them at St John's **Thursday 19th December** watching 'Miracle on 34th Street' from 9.15am.

**CAROLS & CANDLES:** Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without our well-established favourite service of Carols and Candles. Enjoy mulled wine, mince pies, carols and step back 2000 years and meet the author of Christmas. Please invite your family, friends and neighbours to join with us on **Friday 20th December** at 8pm. Any donations of mince pies would be gratefully received.

**CAROL SERVICES: 22nd December** - St John's 11am AND St Michael's Candlelit Carol Service 6.30pm.

**CRIB SERVICE:** A fun short service for families. Get your Christmas off to a cracking start by joining us for carols and a walk-on nativity. Younger children are invited to come dressed as shepherds, angels or kings. 3.30pm on **Christmas Eve** at St John's.

**Christmas Eve:** Please join us at our lovely evening service **11pm** at St Michael's.

**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.

**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](http://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.

**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 670033

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**Matthew's Email:** [matthew.lefroy@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:matthew.lefroy@tiscali.co.uk) (Usual day off Friday)

Services and Rotas for Sunday 8th December - Advent 2	
SML - 9.30am Morning Worship	
SJM - 11am Holy Communion	
St Michael's	St John's
Sidesperson: Janet	Sidesperson: Volunteer
	please
	Reading: Gillian

Reading: <b>David L</b>	Communion: <b>Moira &amp; Jan</b>
Prayers: <b>Service Leader</b>	Prayers: <b>Service Leader</b>
Coffee: <b>Katie &amp; Laurie</b>	Coffee: <b>Simon + Volunteer please</b>
	No Spark SAS: <b>Matthew &amp; Dom</b>

### **Matthew 28:16-20**

<sup>16</sup> Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. <sup>17</sup> When they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> Then Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup> Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'

### **John 14:12-17**

<sup>12</sup> Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

<sup>15</sup> 'If you love me, keep my commands. <sup>16</sup> And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you for ever - <sup>17</sup> the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.