

Living to make a difference

A Christian heart at the centre of the community

Welcome to St. Michael's

Please take these notes home with you
for information & prayer



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Disability adviser is Louise Cooper call (0117) 947 0998 to discuss any relevant issues
Morning Worship at 10.30am (More contemporary) ~the first part takes place in 2 venues, Church (more adult focused) and Old School Rooms (More Family Worship focused)
Recording of Sunday sermons – you can now hear most of our Sunday morning & evening sermons on the church website (www.st-michaels-church.org.uk)

Today Sunday 7th March 2010

9.00am Morning Worship Readings: Acts 25:23-26:3
Acts 26:19-32

Theme: **Paul before the King**
Speaker Simon

10.30am Morning Worship Reading: Acts 25:23-26:3
Acts 26:19-32

Theme: **Paul before the King**
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5.00pm Evensong Readings: Deut.6:4-9
John 17:1, 11-19

6.30pm Evening Worship Reading: Joshua 1
Theme: **Joshua's calling**
Speaker: Richard

Dates for your diary –



Thurs 1 April - Passover Meal

Old School Rooms ~ 7.30pm
Led by Stephen Pacht from Jews for Jesus.

Henry Bromberg is cooking the Passover Meal, so we need to know

numbers for catering. The recommended donation on the night will be £5 each.

There is a sign up sheet in Church and the Old School Rooms. *Please sign up ASAP if you are coming.*

Thank you. Jenny

Easter Eggstravaganza

We are inviting Primary age children to an Easter Eggstravaganza on Good Friday (2nd April) from 10am to 12.45pm.



The idea is to have fun together doing Easter crafts and games and then go to the Good Friday All Age Service at 12 o'clock.

Are you able to help? Jobs will be varied, not all of them working with the children, if you are able to help please call Karen Needham (0117 975 9636)



Healing Day 8th May 10.00 – 3.00 OSR

Brother David Jardine is a Franciscan brother who carries out a healing ministry in Belfast Cathedral and around the world. He has previously been chaplain at Crumlin

Road Prison and worked in the Bronx area of New York City as well. His interest in the ministry of healing began while ministering to prisoners. He has developed his ministry under the teaching of people such as John Wimber and Francis MacNutt. He will be speaking at the Breakfast on Saturday 8th May and then will lead our healing day from 10.00 - 3.00.

Please bring your own packed lunch. We will provide Coffee, Tea & biscuits.

A gift will be collected on the day – we suggest a donation of £10 or whatever you can afford.

If you'd like to come or know of others who would be interested, please contact Susie Bishop: 0117 9798371.

WORK-PARTY – Saturday 20th MARCH, 9am–1pm The Old Vicarage

We are in need of **15 people** who can dig earth and shovel gravel to create a new hard-standing for much needed car-parking space at the Pre-School and Nursery. Please contact Chris Bradley on 0117 975 655 or chris@deltats.co.uk to let him know if you can attend. Many thanks.

As- New Sale on 27th March at 11am in the Old School Rooms. A sale of good quality children's toys, books, clothes and equipment. If you have items you would like us to sell for you please contact Alison on 01454 250067.

Please come along and support us raising funds for the work of the Old School Rooms Trust

Church Weekend Jun 25th-27th : Now at home!

We will be arranging our Church Weekend at 'Home' this year, so that more people will be able to attend. We've decided to cancel Brunel Manor due to lack of numbers. *More details to follow.*

New Wine – 1st-7th August 2010

So far, 39 people have booked. Do let the office know if you'd still like to go. Spaces still available. **LEAFLETS ON THE NOTICEBOARD IN CHURCH & OSR.**



Soul Survivor B – 11th-15th August 2010

A conference for young people held at Shepton Mallett showground. *More information soon.*

NEW CURATE

We appointed Martin Gordon in early December. Martin and Anthea (currently training in Oxford) will be moving here in the early summer.



At our services there is often an opportunity to receive **prayer for you or a friend whether for healing or any other need.**

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Monday 8th March

9.00am **Morning Prayer** in Church
10.00am **Men at Home** meeting in OSR

Wednesday 10th March

9.00am **Morning Prayer** in Church
6.00pm-9.00pm **Art Club** meeting in T3.
7.30pm **Lent Course** in the Coffee Shop

Thursday 11th March

2.00pm-4.00pm **Link Club** meeting in Stoke Gifford

Friday 12th March

9.00am **Morning Prayer** in Church

Saturday 13th March

10.00am-12.00pm **Saturday Coffee Shop** – come & enjoy a cake or bacon sandwich with your morning coffee!
10.00am-12.00pm **Knit & Natter** in Coffee Shop



Next Sunday 14th March

9.00am Holy Communion Readings: Acts 27:13-26
Acts 27:27-38
10.30am Holy Communion Reading: Acts 27:13-38
6.30pm Evening Worship Reading: Joshua 4

Prayer Surgery every Friday daytime during term time . 1 hour sessions. *If you want further information or to book an appointment please ring*



Susie Bishop (0117) 979 8371

March Rotas – are now out and have been emailed to everyone on the rota directory. If you are not on this, please find your hard copy at the back of church. Thank you.

Volunteers needed to do Words of Worship (full training will be given). Also if there is anyone interested in covering the sound desk, we would love to hear from you too.

Please email Louise Mill loopylou159@btinternet.com or contact the church office if you are interested.



COFFEE SHOP VOLUNTEERS

- Later this year we plan to open the Coffee shop until 4pm (it currently shuts at 2pm). To do this we need some more volunteers to help make it happen. Can you help? Would you join the team? Are you available during the week to help? Full training (and cups of tea) will be provided. Call Jo Smith on 07866 230647. Thank you! :o)

MAG & MISSION NEWS



MOLDOVA Mission trip 6-12 April. A team of six are going from St Michael's. We'll be praying for the team on Easter day.

John and Elisabeth Phillips, have been working (with Wycliffe) in the Congo since 1991 translating the bible into Bekwel. They'll move to Switzerland in June, after spending 3 months in the Cameroon with their children. Please pray for them as they make these life changes.

Church Family News

2 funerals of former members of St Michael's this week...

Poppy Whittock-Thurs 11/03 1.45 pm in church.

All welcome, but it would be especially lovely to see ladies and children from Meeting Point days at either/or/both the church service or in the Coffee Shop for refreshments after school.

Harby Callis – Friday 12/03 at 11.00am in church.

Harby is Mary Anne Bromberg's Step-Father and has been living in Leicester near his sons. The family extend a warm welcome to all at St Michael's to come on Friday.

David & Becky Widdows are moving... David has been appointed Vicar of Wiveliscombe Church on the edge of Exmoor near Taunton. They have very much sensed God's leading in this appointment and will leave Lee Abbey on 5th July. Do remember them in your prayers.

"From Orphans to Heirs"
A series of teaching on Wednesdays throughout Lent
St Michael's Church Stoke Gifford
Each evening will begin at 7.30pm with soup & roll in the Coffee Shop (except Ash-Wed which will begin in Church with Communion)

17th Feb Ash Wednesday "Adopting Grace"
24th Feb "The Glorious Father"
3rd March "The Son who became a slave"
10th March "The loving Spirit of adoption"
17th March "Slavery to Sonship"
24th March "Keys to a glorious freedom"

Messy Church (www.messychurch.org.uk)
Messy Church is a fresh expression of church which allows all ages to worship God in a way which is very accessible to families. At St Michael's we are exploring the possibility of starting Messy Church and there is the opportunity to go on a training day with Lucy Moore - who set up the first Messy Church. The training day is on 15th May, 9.30am to 3pm. If you are interested at all - even if you can't make the training day have a chat with Karen Needham (0117 975 9636)



Knit & Natter - Come and join us with your latest knitting project to knit and natter every second Saturday (**NEXT meeting on Saturday 13th March**) in the Coffee Shop from 10pm to 12pm. Fab knitters and beginners are all welcome.
See Wiz for further details or call 0117 969 0186.

