

## **Newsletter and Notices**

## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023 Fourth Sunday after Trinity



### 8am Holy Communion, in Church

10am Service of Thanksgiving for Baptism, in Church & Zoom All are warmly invited. If you have a Baptism Candle, please bring it along.

Please come and enjoy fellowship and refreshments in the WCC after the 10am service.

You are welcome to share in our worship in the following ways:

1. Come to Church All are welcome!

Remember to bring your order of service for the 10am service.

2. Join Zoom on your computer

When signed in you can 'Join a Meeting' (ID: 927 480 8728 / Passcode: 889123).

3. Join with Audio Zoom via phone

a) Call **0131 460 1196** b) Enter Meeting ID then **#**, then enter Meeting Passcode then **#** 

#### Collect for The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### A Psalm for today, Psalm 119. 33-40

Refrain: My delight shall be in your commandments.

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes and I shall keep it to the end.

Give me understanding and I shall keep your law;

I shall keep it with my whole heart.

Lead me in the path of your commandments, for therein is my delight.

Incline my heart to your testimonies and not to unjust gain. [R]

Turn away my eyes lest they gaze on vanities; O give me life in your ways. Confirm to your servant your promise, which stands for all who fear you.

Turn away the reproach which I dread, because your judgements are good. Behold, I long for your commandments; in your righteousness give me life. [R]

God of loving mercy, in this place of our pilgrimage turn your laws into songs,

that we may find your promises fulfilled in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Parish Register for June

We remember in our prayers the family of Audrey Menhennet, whose funeral took place this last month.

We welcome Freddie Jones into the fellowship of faith following his Baptism in June.

#### A Gospel reading for today, John 3. 16-23, 4. 1-3

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.'

After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he spent some time there with them and baptized. John also was baptizing at Aenon near Salim because water was abundant there; and people kept coming and were being baptized.

Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard, 'Jesus is making and baptizing more disciples than John'— although it was not Jesus himself but his disciples who baptized— he left Judea and started back to Galilee.

# Come and share our short session for children and young people during our Sunday 10am service EVERY WEEK!

We invite children of all ages, with their adults, to come into the Lady Chapel during part of the service, and share in A Godly Play (a short visual storytelling of scriptures, with wondering questions, stories, crafts, puzzles, and even some acting for those that want ... for all ages to share together; then various age related activities). We also have an older group breakout session on the 2<sup>nd</sup>



and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. **Today, we'll continue our series on Jacob and hear about his growing family (Genesis 29. 1-35).** 

Our <u>Children & Young People</u> website page has loads of activities to help young people get to know the person of Jesus.



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The church is open each day, from early morning to mid afternoon. An opportunity to spend some comforting time in prayer, peace and reflection.

Summer Organ Festival Concerts, Sundays in July at 3pm - Please do come along and enjoy these five concerts, with five different renowned organists. Free admission with retiring collection. Refreshments will be served. Paul Hale will be joining us this Sunday afternoon for a programme of sumptuous music and cake! Paul was organ consultant for the Mander Organs rebuild in 2016. He is Organist Emeritus at Southwell Minster. Paul will play works by Karg-Elert, J S Bach. Mendelssohn, Whitlock (Folk Tune), Franck, Jongen and Walton (Crown Imperial).

There won't be a TLC session in the WCC this Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July - A reminder that this Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, our TLC regulars are enjoying a trip out for a cream tea at a surprise venue. We'll be back in August (see details below).



Holy Communion, Wednesday 5th July, 10am - A service of Holy Communion, in church. Refreshments after the service will be held in the WCC.

Tiny Tots, Wednesday 5th July, 11 for 11:15am – Worship for babies/toddlers and their grown-ups; with a story, singing and instruments for little ones too! Join us for refreshments, fellowship and a chance for the children to play beforehand in the WCC, if you can. We gather in the WCC and walk to the Lady Chapel for worship.

Ukrainian Hospitality Support, Wednesdays from 11:30am-2pm, WCC - Space at the WCC for Ukrainian guests and host families to meet weekly, with informal language lessons.

Prayers for our Community in Church, Saturday 8th July, 9:30am - A half hour session of informal prayer. All welcome.

TLC Tuesday 1st August, 2:15pm for 2:30pm, WCC – An opportunity to be able to join in with tea and talk and a regular 10/15 minute presentation on wide ranging interests ... Later in the afternoon we welcome families after school for a short while, to share in reading/play and enjoy a biscuit/cake/fruit snack. Do come along...and tell your friends too! This month we're having a Bingo game, since it was such fun last time!

HBW 'Superheroes' 7th-11th August 2023 - Children's sign up for children is at holidaybibleweek.co.uk If your children have never come along before it's definitely one not to miss.

A date for the diary - After the recent stirring evening worship, we've chosen a date for our next Choral Evensong: Bible Sunday, 29th October, at 6pm.

St Michael's Bells Restoration - Donate a headstock for £1,000 and we supply a brass plaque, approximately 7 inches long, which will be fixed to the headstock and inscribed with a suitable approved wording, e.g. "Headstock donated by The Smith Family In memoriam John Smith 1930-2022." For more information contact Claire Conquest or Gill Johnson or alternatively please email: bells@saintmichaelweb.org.uk

Street Pastors video – It was lovely to hear more about the work of the Street Pastors recently. They played a short introductory video clip which wasn't very easy to see in the bright light of the Charnley Hall. You might like to watch it again (or the longer video that follows) on You Tube here.

St Michael's is looking for a suitable volunteer - to independently examine the church's 2023 accounts, starting from February 2024. The role doesn't need to be taken on by a qualified accountant; but someone who has appropriate skills and experience with their own bookkeeping or has had the role of treasurer in a comparable organisation. Please contact Graziana or the Wardens if you feel this may be something you could help with in the future.

Parish Office - The Parish Office is closed for the next week or so. Katharine returns to work on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July.

#### RESOURCING ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Please take and ponder a letter from the Vicar, Churchwarden and Treasurer, about giving of time, talents and treasure,

Please help if you can with delivering letters personally addressed to members of HUBB (our Church Management System).

Please take one of the generic Giving Season envelopes if you are not yet registered with HUBB.

Many thanks.

Details of all services and events are available on the Calendar page on our website. Do follow us on Social Media too, for regular updates.

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