

PENTECOST 20TH MAY 2018

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WELCOME TO OUR INCLUSIVE, CHURCH FAMILY

St Michael & All Angels is a church where people are called to come together to explore the mystery of God's love. All of us, without exception, are called by God. A special welcome to all visitors and newcomers. May God bless you this day and every day. Please help yourself to a *Welcome Pack* before you leave.

PENTECOST—THE REAL MEANING

Always falling 50 (πεντα) days after Christ's resurrection at Easter, Pentecost marks the arrival of God's Holy Spirit as the agent of healing and mission for Christ's disciples. The Spirit, then and now, provides the charisms of Christ. If we live in the Spirit and (as our baptismal rite declares) we submit to Christ, we begin to engage in the work and nature of God. This is our calling. This is what it is to be a disciple and this is what having a living faith looks like.

WELCOME TO ELIZABETH SADLER, HER FAMILY & FRIENDS

We are delighted to be baptising Claire & Malcolm Sadler's granddaughter, Betty at the 10am Eucharist. Parents, Neil & Anna, chose Pentecost Sunday especially.

AN URGENT CALL FOR STEWARDSHIP AND INCREASED GIVING

We have been operating a financial deficit for some years, covered up by Church Hall rentals. If we put mission priorities first -as we must- like building a church community in Cutteslowe, we must be honest (and generous) about our giving. A new stewardship strategy will be emerging over the next 2 months. Please pray.

READING SHEETS

We are reverting back to the Redemptorist sheets in order to save time (if not money). They also contain the Psalm and second reading. The notation for the refrain for the psalm means that we will be able to sing this on occasion.

PHONE NUMBERS etc

Please note that Gavin's old landline (556079) is no longer in use. Instead, please phone the new parish office landline - 01865 552738 or Gavin's mobile phone - 07833 251939. Gavin will be working a lot more from the Threshold office. If you would like to catch up with him, he would be delighted to see you there.

MORE THAN JUST A SPRING CLEAN!

St Michael's has a calling of welcome and hospitality. As a result, the old vestry has been transformed into a new meeting place. The organ loft has been changed into a library and music archive. The Godly Play room will now revert back to being a sacristy as well as children's church resource on Sundays.

MUMS' SPIRITUALITY & FAITH GROUP

The new Mums' Faith and Spirituality Group will meet on Thursday 7th June at 7.30-9pm at Susie's house. An informal opportunity to chat and reflect on life, work, parenting, faith and spirituality as a mum—with wine or tea and nibbles. Email Susie on susanna.snyder@roehampton.ac.uk for more info.

WHY I LIKE ST MICHAEL'S

Some recent comments from those in the know!

"... imaginative liturgy"

SUNDAYS

8.00 am Holy Eucharist
Traditional Language

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

1st Sunday of the month:

All-Age Family Eucharist

5th Sunday of the month:

Rotation with partnership churches

6.30pm Contemplative Prayer
In the Lady Chapel

WEEKDAYS

9.00 am Silent Prayer
In the Godly Play room

9.30 am Morning Prayer
In the Godly Play room

Holy Eucharist

Thursdays 10.00am

1st Thursday of the month: Healing -
the laying on of hands and anointing.

Choir Practice

Thursdays 6.30-7.45pm

Contact Steve Allen - 07717 852020

Men's Breakfast

1st Saturday of the month

Contact Steve Hunter - 01865 552475

For information on courses

Contact Gavin - 07833 251939

FOR CHILDREN

'Children's Church' on Sunday

meets in the vestry during

10.00am Parish Eucharist (term time only)

Godly Play

every 4th Sunday

at 10am with a crèche provided

St Michael's Choristers Age 3+

practise Thursdays in church

in term-time at 5.30 pm and sing on the

1st Sunday of the month

Contact Alice - 07791 328108

Baby & Toddler Group

Tuesdays 10.00 - 12.00 noon

Play for children and chat for carers

Contact Juliet - 01865 552640

