

NOTICES

Parking is now available in the St Michael's Top School playground. If you're willing to steward occasionally on the gate to help people maximise the use of spaces from about 9 to 9.30am please tell Jonny or contact Ken Young on kenyoung22@hotmail.com

Wednesday, 2nd July – the annual St Michael's Folk Night event from 7.00 p.m. Come and enjoy this fabulous occasion! St Michael's bellringers will signal the start of the event, and we will once again welcome the SwanVesta Social Club to the churchyard. Delicious food and drink will be available. Proceeds from the evening will be donated to the church. Anyone that has a spare half an hour to offer the bar please contact Jonny.

Wimbledon Men's Final 13th July Adam and Jill Singer have kindly offered their cinema room in the Bothy at Kingsbury Manor so we can host an event for friends, former friends, and future friends to watch the Wimbledon Men's Singles Final, enjoy drinks and nibbles, and raise money for the Friends of St Michaels. Tickets will cost £50 per person for which you will get plenty of drinks, food, and great company while you watch the final. If the weather is kind, we can also sit by the river before and after the match. We are limiting the numbers to around 20 so it will be first come first served.

This year the final starts at 16.00 and we will be 'opening the doors' at 15.30. There is parking at the Manor if you need it. To secure a ticket or for more information contact Charles Naylor at thesallylunn@me.com

The **ELECTORAL ROLL** is now open to accept new members. If you are a regular worshipper and wish to join the Roll, please fill in an Application Form (at the back of both churches) and either put your completed form through the office letterbox or, if you wish, send a scanned copy (pdf preferred, please) to Georgie (see contacts) with ER FORM as the title so that we can add your details.



ST MICHAEL WITH ST MARY

Services this Week

All services take place at St Michael's unless otherwise stated.

Sunday, 22nd June 2025: St Alban

8.00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9.30 a.m.	Parish Eucharist
6.00 p.m.	Evensong (St Mary's)

Wednesday, 25th June 2025

9.00 a.m.	St Michael's School Service
10.00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
10.30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist

Sunday, 29th June 2025: Saints Peter and Paul

8.00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9.30 a.m.	Parish Eucharist
6.00 p.m.	Evensong (St Mary's)

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A very warm welcome to our worship this morning, especially if you are visiting or here for the first time.

Junior Church for primary aged children meets in the Parish Centre during the first part of the service- if you would like to join please meet by the font at the beginning of the service to go out during the first hymn. Parents are welcome to go too to accompany smaller children.

The children's corner contains themed-worksheets, books and toys if you'd like to keep little people busy; there is no obligation to use it! If you need privacy (e.g. nappy change) the Tower Room is available and has sound relay of the service.

Toilets are available in the Parish Centre at the east end of the churchyard; please see a steward for access. All are welcome to stay for refreshments after the service in the Parish Centre. If you are new, we would love to meet you.

Collect

Almighty God, by whose grace and power
your holy martyr Alban triumphed over suffering and was faithful even unto death:
Grant us, who now remember him in thanksgiving,
to be so faithful in our witness to you in this world
that we may receive with him the crown of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Wisdom 3: 1-9

The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God,
and no torment will ever touch them.
In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to have died,
and their departure was thought to be a disaster,
and their going from us to be their destruction;
but they are at peace.
For though in the sight of others they were punished,
their hope is full of immortality.
Having been disciplined a little, they will receive great good,
because God tested them and found them worthy of himself;
like gold in the furnace he tried them,
and like a sacrificial burnt offering he accepted them.
In the time of their visitation they will shine forth,
and will run like sparks through the stubble.
They will govern nations and rule over peoples,
and the Lord will reign over them forever.
Those who trust in him will understand truth,
and the faithful will abide with him in love,
because grace and mercy are upon his holy ones,
and he watches over his elect.

Between the readings we stay seated as the choir sings a Psalm.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 10: 34-42

Jesus said, "Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

Prayer Over the Gifts

Lord our God, make these gifts holy, and through them make us a perfect offering to you. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

During Communion the choir sings a motet

Please remember in your prayers:

- Those persecuted for their faith in Christ, praying especially for house churches in Iran.
- Those exploring God's call on their lives
- All to be ordained next week at Petertide, including Emily from this parish
- Those who are ill, including: Ben Collins, Jacqui Follett, Helen Huson, Rachael Hymas, Ingrid Kluckova, Marion Mackay-Grant, Sam Mahoney, John Polhill, Paul Williams, Cora Marie Varshney
- This week the diocese asks us to pray for: *Those preparing for baptism and confirmation*