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Parish News



St. Matthew's Haslington



St. Michael's Crewe Green



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Pastoral Letter

Café church – Open table, Animal Blessing and Star gazing, God’s awesome creation.

Thank you to everyone who gathered on Sunday for our first experience of “Café-church Open Table”. The theme was “The blessing of animals”; we chatted about the blessing that animals are to us, we read the creation story from Genesis and talked about what it means for us to be “Stewards of God’s creation”, and the responsibilities Stewardship brings. We found it a very poignant theme because so many of us are concerned about protecting our environment and caring for wildlife. We prayed and asked God to bless our animals.

Ivy (dog) celebrated her birthday with us and sent cake home to dog-friends that were unable to come to the service.

I found it very encouraging to meet new people, new dogs, and even an amazing pair of rats (a first for me) and to learn about their care and wellbeing, and the blessings they all are to us. Joe and Cathy, Chris and Anna, brought us a thought provoking drama, Christine chose the best hymns to support our theme, and after the service we lingered and chatted over delicious cake and drinks.

Our next “Café Church – Open Table” is a celebration of God’s awesome creation, and will be held on Sunday 9th June, at 4.00pm in St Matthew’s church hall. Please come, please bring friends, young people and children. We’ll follow a similar format of chat, drama, bible reading, prayer and refreshments, along with crafts for children. Everyone is welcome, we look forward to seeing you.

And we pray:

God, creator of all that has been, all that is, and all that shall be, we celebrate your endless creation. Open our minds and hearts to your mysteries. Thank you for making us who we are, and bringing us together as your people. Illuminate our path that we may shine as your beloved children.

Amen.

With every blessing Vicar Jane



St. Matthew's PCC

PCC Members— Rev Jane(Chair), Alan Wheeler (Warden) Colin Booth (Warden) ,Jane McCombie (Secretary) Arleine Bloor, Roger Pearce, Barbara Harris, , Viv Grunner, Anna Betts, Steve Grunner, Celia Booth.

Minutes From The PCC Meeting will now be posted at the back of church

Our next PCC meeting will be held on 26th July at 10:00am in the church hall.

*Never Sacrifice Your Goals;
Increase Your Effort*

Grant Cardone

Church Hall cleaning and maintenance

We look forward to seeing you at our next hall cleaning party on Friday 7th June at 10:30am. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments served after the clean.

Anna Betts



Church Diary June 2024

Sunday	2nd	1st Sunday of Trinity	
		9.30 am	Holy Communion at St Matthew's Church
		10.45 am	Holy Communion at Christ Church
		11.00 am	Service of Morning prayer at St Michael's Church
Wednesday	5 th	10:45 am	Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's Church
Sunday	9th	2nd Sunday of Trinity	
		9:30 am	Service of Morning Prayer at St Matthew's Church
		10:45 am	Service of Morning Prayer at Christ Church
		11:00 am	Holy Communion at St Michael's Church
		4:00 pm	Café Church Open Table in St. Matthew's Church Hall
Wednesday	12 th	10:45 am	Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's Church
Sunday	16th	3rd Sunday of Trinity	
		9.30 am	Holy Communion at St Matthew's Church
		10.45 am	Service of Morning Prayer at Christ Church
		11.00 am	Service of Morning Prayer at St Michael's Church
		4.30 pm	Service of Evening Prayer at Christ Church
Wednesday	19 th	10:45 am	Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's Church
Sunday	23rd	4th Sunday of Trinity	
		9.30 am	Service of Morning Prayer at St Matthew's Church
		10.45 am	Service of Morning Prayer at Christ Church
		11.00 am	Holy Communion at St Michael's Church
Wednesday	26 th	10:45 am	Holy Communion (BCP) at St Matthew's Church





Haslington Women's Institute

6 ladies went to the pottery painting class, what a fun time they had. Our team of quizzers were excellent, coming 4th in the Mercia Link group of WIs.

The afternoon Tea at Lois's in Sandbach was delicious and enjoyed by all. The meeting was "Sights of Chester", a slideshow and talk by Stephen Shakeshaft.

What a big success the village day was, beautiful sunshine all day. We again served refreshments in the marquee. A sell out.

Coming up, at the next meeting, we have a strawberry tea at Clayhanger Farm. Our next dining club will be at The Hawk, locally in the village.

The WI meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at The Cosey, 7.30pm

Janet Dake.....haslingtonwi

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St. Matthew's Social Committee

We hope you can join us at the next monthly coffee morning on Friday 28th June, in the church hall between 10:00am and 12:00 noon.

On Saturday 29th June we would like you to join us for a walk along the salt line from Hassall Green to the Horse shoe Inn at Alsager where we will stop for lunch. The distance is a little over a mile and a half each way.

Please sign the list at the back of church if you are interested.

Dates for your diary

The Strawberry tea is on Saturday 6th July.

Skittles Evening at The Bickerton Poacher Saturday 7th September





*United Benefice
Mothers Union*

Due to unforeseen problems there is no MU report this month.
Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 19th June (*Space Tourism*)

Mothers Union Prayer

Loving Lord, we thank you for your love so freely given to us all. We pray for families around the world. Bless the work of the Mothers' Union as we seek to share your love through the encouragement, strengthening and support of marriage and family life. Empowered by your Spirit, may we be united in prayer and worship, and in love and service reach out as your hands across the world. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Thank you humans and animals who attended our first "Cafe church-Open Table", it was very good to meet new people and dogs, and thanks to everyone involved with refreshments, our worship and drama. Our next one is on Sunday 9th June 4.00pm in the church hall. We're celebrating God's wonderful creation! It's a service that's great for young people, people wanting to explore faith in an informal setting and church folk interested in trying something a bit different. Please come and please bring a friend.

We are also starting a new bible study, based on the series about Jesus, "The Chosen". The Chosen was originally crowd funded, and it tells about the life, teaching, death and resurrection of Jesus, by bringing together the 4 gospel accounts and trying to see Jesus through the eyes of people who knew him well. It looks very interesting and the study material looks very good. Please join me, at the Vicarage, (163 Crewe Road, Haslington), on the Thursdays during July, at 7.00pm. If we're really enjoying the film "The Chosen" and the study guide, then we can arrange more evenings. I hope to see you.

With every blessing
Vicar Jane xx

Regular Church Hall Activities

Because of current circumstances the church hall and all social meetings / events are beginning to open up if you require any information please contact any of the below.

Young People

Cubs	Tuesday	17:45 – 19:15	Katrina Fearn email: crewegreenscouts@hotmail.co.uk
Scouts	Monday	19:30 – 21:00	Verity Ashcroft / Jamie Davies email: crewegreenscouts@hotmail.co.uk
Rainbows	Wednesday	17:00 – 18:00	Mrs Maria Pickersgill Tel: 258821 haslingtonbrownies@yahoo.co.uk
Brownies	Wednesday	18:15 – 19:30	Mrs Cathy Consterdine Tel: 214832 haslingtonbrownies@yahoo.co.uk

Cameo

Our Cameo Group, a luncheon club for the bereaved and anyone else who, through circumstances, finds themselves alone. On the 3rd Thursday of the month (at the present) at 1:00 in St. Matthew's Church Hall. We welcome anyone from anywhere. Contact Viv Grunner (501538) for further information.

Mothers Union

Meet on a Wednesday please Speak to Jane McCombie (581769) or Viv Grunner (501538)

Coffee Mornings

Friday Morning Coffee Mornings are held in St. Matthews Church Hall 10:00 – 12:00 on the 4th Friday of the month.

Gardening Club

Meet on the 1st Thursday of the month 19:30 – 21:00

Health/Wellbeing/Hobbies

Keep Fit	Tuesday	19:30 – 20:30
	Friday	9:00 – 10:00

God at the Movies 2nd Thursday in the month

Prayer Breakfast 4th Saturday every 2 months



Apricot and chocolate bars

Ingredients

150g/5½oz mixed nuts, such as almonds, hazelnuts, Brazil nuts and walnuts, roughly chopped

150g/5½oz ready-to-eat dried apricots, quartered

200g/7oz soft pitted dates, quartered

50g/1¾oz coconut oil

3 tbsp pure cocoa powder

3 tbsp mixed seeds, such as sunflower, pumpkin, sesame and flax



Method

Line a 20cm/8in square cake tin with cling film, leaving plenty overhanging the sides.

Put the nuts in a food processor and blitz until finely chopped, but not ground to a powder – you want them to add a lovely crunch. Tip them into a bowl.

Put the apricots and dates in the food processor and blend to a thick paste, but don't let it get too smooth.

Return the nuts to the food processor and add the coconut oil, cocoa powder and seeds. Blend until the mixture comes together. You may need to remove the lid and push the mixture down a couple of times with a spatula.

Spread the paste over the base of the tin and smooth the surface. Bring the excess cling film up and over the mixture to cover completely. Put in the freezer for 30–60 minutes, or until solid.

Take the tray out of the freezer, unwrap and place on a board. Cut into 16 squares, and transfer to a lidded container. Interleave with sheets of baking paper so the bars don't stick together and keep in the fridge.



Church Rotas
For St. Matthew's



**St. Matthew's
Reading Rota**

2nd June	John McCombie
9th June	Pat Hills
16th June	Arleine Bloor
23rd June	Chris Wheeler
30th June	Colin Booth

**St. Matthew's
Intercession Rota**

2nd June	Arleine Bloor
9th June	Alan Wheeler
16th June	Helen Pearce
23rd June	Anna Betts
30th June	tba -

**St. Matthew's
Eucharist Server Rota**

2nd June	Arleine Bloor
9th June	-
16th June	Steve Grunner
23rd June	-
30th June	tba

**St. Matthew's
Sides-person Rota**

2nd June	Jane & John Mc
9th June	Sheila & Anne
16th June	Jean T & tba
23rd June	Viv & Steve G
30th June	Anna & Chris

**St. Matthew's
Flower Rota**

2nd June	Chris Wheeler
9th June	TBA
16th June	———”———
23rd June	Arleine Bloor
30th June	———”———

**St. Matthew's
Church Locking up**

2nd June	John Brassington
9th June	Arleine Bloor
16th June	Colin Booth
23rd June	Chris Betts
30th June	Steve Grunner

June Sudoku

4		9		6	3		2	
2						4		
		7	4	8		5	1	
			6				7	5
5			8		9			1
7	4				1			
	5	1		4	8	6		
		6						4
	2		7	9		1		3

Easy

		3	4					1
		2	6					9
		6		5	1		2	
				1	2		4	
	6	7		9		2	1	
	2		3	6				
	4		1	3		7		
2					5	6		
9					6	1		

Medium

		8	4					
3		6			7			
1	7		5	3	9			
			7			3	2	
		1				4		
	9	7			2			
		9	2	4		6	1	
			1			2		9
				6	7			

Hard



St. Michael's PCC

P.C.C. Members: Rev Jane(Chair), Nancy Kay (CW) Helen Ledward (Secretary, Deanery Rep), Roy Davies (Treasurer) Linda Clarke (Deanery Rep), Ron Taylor, Anne Thompson, Jeanette Allman, Barrie Blood, Margaret Hepburn, David Pegg.

Notes From The PCC Meeting will now be posted at the back of church.

St. Michael's next P.C.C. meeting will be on Wednesday 3rd July at 7.00pm . in church



St. Michael's Social Committee

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY



ST. MICHAEL'S STRAWBERRY FAIR

SATURDAY 6TH JULY 2.00 - 4.00 P.M.

IN AND AROUND THE CHURCH

MANY STALLS. TOMBOLA, RAFFLE, GAMES

..AND OF COURSE ALL THINGS STRAWBERRY !

COME AND JOIN US FOR A FUN AFTERNOON

AND DELICIOUS FOOD





Church Rotas
For St. Michael's



**St. Michael's
Prayer Rota**

2nd June	Ron
9th June	Roz
16th June	Linda
23rd June	Anne
30th June	Helen

**St. Michael's
Reading Rota**

2nd June	Ron
9th June	Linda
16th June	Nancy
23rd June	Helen
30th June	Anne

**St. Michael's
Cleaning Rota**

1st June	Ron & Irene
8th June	Barrie & Janette
15th June	Linda
22nd June	Helen
29th June	Anne

**St. Michael's
Coffee Rota**

2nd June	Ron & Irene
9th June	Linda
16th June	Cindy
23rd June	Helen
30th June	Linda

**St. Michael's
Sides-person Rota**

2nd June	Barrie
9th June	Cindy
16th June	Helen
23rd June	Margaret
30th June	Helen

May Sudoku Solutions

3	4	5	7	6	8	1	2	9
7	2	9	1	4	3	8	6	5
8	6	1	5	9	2	7	3	4
6	7	2	8	5	1	9	4	3
9	1	8	6	3	4	2	5	7
4	5	3	9	2	7	6	8	1
1	9	6	4	8	5	3	7	2
5	3	7	2	1	6	4	9	8
2	8	4	3	7	9	5	1	6

Easy

7	4	8	1	9	2	5	3	6
2	3	9	6	4	5	1	7	8
6	1	5	8	3	7	4	9	2
3	5	6	4	2	8	7	1	9
4	8	7	3	1	9	2	6	5
1	9	2	5	7	6	8	4	3
8	7	4	9	5	3	6	2	1
5	2	3	7	6	1	9	8	4
9	6	1	2	8	4	3	5	7

Medium

3	2	1	4	8	6	9	7	5
8	5	7	9	2	3	4	1	6
6	4	9	1	7	5	2	3	8
9	7	3	2	5	4	8	6	1
5	1	4	8	6	7	3	9	2
2	8	6	3	9	1	5	4	7
1	9	8	6	4	2	7	5	3
4	3	5	7	1	8	6	2	9
7	6	2	5	3	9	1	8	4

Hard



Prayer Subjects

Some ideas that you may like to include in your daily prayers this month are:

A prayer that God might open our eyes

God in hiding, waiting in the dark, blowing over the formless void, speak a word of light and life, we pray, and make something out of this nothing once again.

God hidden in plain sight, divine treasure to be found in seeds and soils, yeast and dough, birds and trees, hunger and thirst, enemy and neighbour, bread and wine, open our eyes, give sight to our blindness and make us to see you once again.

God hiding in me like water, underground rising, seeping out, bursting out, pouring out, come Holy Spirit come and make me full to overflowing once again. Amen

A prayer that all people be blessed

Holy and hidden God, your mystery and majesty fills the earth and all creation. You take sanctuary in the core of our being, and in your being we find refuge and strength. All people bear the stamp of your image – an embodiment of your abounding treasure, your delight and pleasure. Keep us open to your gifts we carry within us and unveil before us your grace and generosity – the shower of your blessings in our engagements and interaction. Hold us in our brokenness. Illuminate us in our darkness. Speak to us in all languages. Bless all who live and give their lives to show us the world you desire. Amen.

In Memoriam

Funeral of George France, St Matthew's, 10th May, .

Funeral of Ellen Spear, Christ Church, 23rd May.

Funeral of Audrey Florence Walley, St Matthew's, 24th May.



Around The Community

Meeting God at the Movies is on Thursday 9th June.

2.00pm in St Matthew's church hall



Please bring your interval drinks and pop corn!

Prayer Breakfast

Saturday 26th July, 10:00am

St. Matthew's Church Hall



The Sweet Shop.

Remember the shop on the corner that sold sweets,
Chocolates, Toffee and lots of other treats.

A place where you took your son or daughter,
For a bag of sweets, sold by the quarter.

Or perhaps an assortment of Penny Chews,
But from such a selection it was hard to choose.

From Milk Teeth, Foam Shrimps and White mice,
Flying Saucers, or a Candy Necklace is nice.

Parma Violets, Fruit Salads or a Jelly Snake,
Gobstoppers, or Black Jacks? A tough decision to make.

Then there were the many jars that lined the walls,
Full of Jelly Babies, Dolly Mixtures and Aniseed Balls.

Bon Bon's of every colour and every flavour,
Midget Gems, Lemon Sherbets and Pear Drops to savour.

Raspberry Ruffles, Fudge, Caramels and Kola Kops,
Mint Humbugs, Mint Imperials and Rainbow Drops
Comfits, Laces and Pipes - Liquorice of every kind,
Allsorts for those who can't make up their mind.

By the till lived Sugar Mice with a cotton tail,
And a jar of coloured Lollipops next to the scale.

On the counter were the chocolate bars,
Out of this world Milky Way, Galaxy and Mars.

Picnic, Aztec, Double Decker and Marathon,
Some names now changed, other bars just gone.

There were Glacier Mints made by Foxes,
And on the top shelf were the chocolate boxes.

Black Magic, Dairy Box and All Gold,

With advertising that was big and bold;

Like the man who puts himself in harm's way,

And all because the lady loves Milk Tray.

Quality Street came in wrappers shiny and bright,

Roses and After Eight Mints for late at Night.

Then at last when you have made your decision,
They're placed on the scale and weighed with precision.

Then the corners of the bag were twisted at the top,

To stop you eating the contents inside the Shop.



Christine Wheeler 2024.



Safeguarding

St. Matthew's and St. Michael's now have a dedicated email address for any safeguarding matters that need to be reported. hcsafeguarding@gmail.com. This is for any one to use to send any questions or concerns they may have of a safeguarding nature in our benefice. We now have three persons who are responsible for safeguarding activities, they are myself, Arleine Bloor as Parish Safeguarding Officer, Viv Gruner as Deputy Safeguarding Officer for St Matthew's and Margaret Hepburn as Deputy Safeguarding Officer for St Michael's. We all have access to the email address and can respond directly to any enquiries that are sent without the need for using our personal emails.

Many thanks
Arleine



Confirmation. I'm planning to run confirmation classes.

If anyone would like to be confirmed, would you please have a chat with me. Thank you.

Vicar Jane



Around The Community

HASLINGTON
PARISH COUNCIL

D-Day Commemorative Social

Haslington Cricket Club

Thursday 6th June 2024 7-10pm



Featuring Live Music
from Vocal Harmony Trio
Baker Street Belles

Buffet Provided & Drinks Available from the Cricket Club Bar

This will be a ticketed event.
Haslington Parish Council will be giving away
75 pairs of free tickets!

To enter the ballot for a free pair of tickets please complete the
form available via the below QR code.



If you are unable to complete the online form please call 07450 854961

June Quick View Diary

Sunday	2nd	1st Sunday of Trinity	
Tuesday	4 th	2:00pm	Walking For Health meet Waterloo Rd Car Park
Wednesday	5 th	2:00pm	Bingo at 65 Club
Thursday	6 th	7:30pm	Gardening Club meet in the Church Hall
Friday	7 th	10:30am	Church Hall Cleaning party
Sunday	9th	2nd Sunday of Trinity	
		4:00pm	Café Church (Gods Creation) in Church Hall
Tuesday	11 th	2:00pm	Walking For Health meet Waterloo Rd Car Park
		7:30pm	Haslington WI meet at the Cosy Club
Wednesday	12 th	2:00pm	Bingo at 65 Club
Thursday	13 th	2:00pm	Whist Drive at 65 Club
		2:00pm	Meet God at the Movies St. Matthew's church hall
Sunday	16th	3rd Sunday of Trinity	
Tuesday	18 th	2:00pm	Walking For Health meet Waterloo Rd Car Park
Wednesday	19 th	2:00pm	Bingo at 65 Club
		2:15pm	MU meeting,
Thursday	20 th	1:00pm	CAMEO in St. Matthew's church hall
		2:00pm	Whist Drive at 65 Club
Sunday	23rd	4th Sunday of Trinity	
Tuesday	25 th	2:00pm	Walking For Health meet Waterloo Rd Car Park
Wednesday	26 th	2:00pm	Bingo at 65 Club
Thursday	27 th	2:00pm	Whist Drive at 65 Club
Friday	28 th	10:00am	Coffee Morning St. Matthew's Church Hall
Sunday	30th	5th Sunday of Trinity	

Parish News Deadline for the **July** edition is **Wednesday 27th June**
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