



St. Michael's, Breaston
St. Mary's, Draycott
St. Chad's, Wilne

Growing
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of Jesus

Newsletter for 20th February 2022

Welcome to St. Michael's, especially if you are visiting – we hope you enjoy the service. Please note that we have a wide variety of services from traditional to contemporary, and many other activities. Please see the church website for more details or ask a member of the congregation.

If the screens are being used everything will be shown there, otherwise, simply follow the booklet you should have been given. Rev'd Chris Smedley

Refreshments

Tea and coffee will be available at the back of church after the 10:30 am service

Notices

Lent book, course and sermon series Lent begins on 2 March and the sermon series and Home Group course will be based upon the book, 'Be Still' by Brian Heasley. You can order a copy from the 24/7 prayer web-site. www.24-7prayer.com

Prayer meeting – 22 Feb at 7:30pm The next prayer meeting has been moved to the fourth Tuesday of the month. Please join with us as we endeavour to listen to God and pray for His work in the parishes.

PCC Secretary – Breaston Jonathan Lupton has been PCC Secretary for twelve years but has decided to stand down from this role at the Annual Meeting on 25 April. We are incredibly grateful to Jonathan for his diligence and efficiency during this time. If you feel that this is a role that you could take on please speak to either Jonathan or Chris.

Parish Safeguarding Officer – Breaston Claire Collishaw will be stepping down as PSO due to increased work commitments. She has done a great job getting our policies and personal details up to date. We need to appoint a new PSO. If you have experience in this area and could help, please speak to Claire, Chris or one of the Wardens.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting These will be taking place on Monday 25 April in Breaston and on Tuesday 3 May in Draycott. Both start at 7:30pm.

Volunteers needed for Family Messy Church – Draycott Steve and Jodie are looking for volunteers to help run Messy Church which will take place at Draycott Methodist Church from Thursday 12th May. This will run every second Thursday of the month. Please speak to either Chris, Jodie or Steve for further details.

Help required We are going to be running Experience Easter for 4 classes from Firfield Primary School at St Michael's, Breaston on Tuesday 5th April and we are asking for volunteers to help with this amazing opportunity. It would run for a full day in order to accommodate the 4 classes that would like to attend. If you are able to help, please contact one of us ASAP. Thank you in advance, Steve, Chris & Jodie.

Conversations about Evangelism The purpose of this evening is to have an open conversation about how we as a church can effectively share the Christian faith with our communities. There are of course many ways of doing this, but we want to find the path(s) God is leading us to enable us to move forward together. Please join us on Monday 14th March at 7:15pm. All welcome especially those who may not feel confident in this area but have a desire to see people coming to faith.

Refugee Project – Erewash Community Sponsorship

Calling All Local Landlords Do you wish to help a refugee family in need, to help them settle within our community? We are looking for a minimum of a 2 bedroom house in Breaston, Draycott or Long Eaton, to house a refugee family within a Home Office backed scheme, known as Community Sponsorship. We are looking for available properties in the next 2-6 months. Please email us if you would like to discuss further – erewash_rcs@gmail.com or speak to Annie Noble, Sarah Warburton or Rachel Lacey.

Getting crafty! After great success with the Christmas Crafts, we're planning to make and sell Spring crafts to raise funds for the Refugee Project. Please get in touch with Sarah Batten-Plowright, 07855 429 544, if you would like to be a part of this. All abilities and talents welcome!



The poster features a logo at the top with the text 'Erewash Community Sponsorship'. Below it, the title 'Charity Auction' is enclosed in a red-bordered box. The event details are listed: 'Saturday 5th March, 7.00pm' at 'St Michael's Church, Breaston', with 'Tickets - £12 each'. A note states 'Ticket price includes George's Fish & Chip Supper and a glass of wine!'. Ticket availability is mentioned for Anderson's Deli, Dundas Butchers, and Jenny Cockle. A list of activities includes bidding on promises and gifts, a raffle, and a Covid-Safe Night Out. A small image of a gavel is included. The bottom line states that profits will be used to settle a refugee family locally.

Ash Wednesday (Wednesday 2nd March) There will be a Communion Service at 10:30am in St. Michael's Church which will include ashing.

Baby Basics Long Eaton will be joining Sunbeams on Monday 28th February and will be bringing free clothes for children ages 3 months – 5 years for families in need. If you know anyone who will benefit from this, please encourage them along. The session will be free and we are also encouraging donations. Key items needed can be found here: www.facebook.com/bundlesofhopeandbabybasicslongeaton

Vision Meeting for Childrens work This will be taking place on Sunday 6th March at 4pm in the Church Office.

Daily Prayer: We hold a short service of Daily Prayer on our public Facebook page from **Monday to Thursday only** starting at 9.30 am. We are currently using the 'Northumbrian Community Daily Prayer' which is available on the internet. Alternatively, you can purchase the service book. The readings we will be having are as follows:

	Not on Facebook this week				Not on Facebook	
w/c	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
20th Feb	Jms 3 :13 -end, Mk 9: 4-29	Jms 4: 1 -10, Mk 9: 30- 37	Jms 4:13-end, Mk 9: 38 -40	Jms 5:1 - 6, Mk 9:41 -end	Jms 5:9 - 12, Mk 10:1 - 12	Jms 5:13 - end, Mk 10: 13 - 16

All other service details are at the end of the newsletter

Dementia Friendly Breaston As part of the Dementia Friendly Breaston initiative being spearheaded by the Parish Council there is an opportunity for church members to become "Dementia Friends" – this involves attending a brief workshop (of around an hour's duration) provided by the Alzheimers Society. In the workshop, the disease is explored, and perhaps more importantly, how people can support those living with dementia is discussed. We hope that this will take place in church some time over the next couple of months. It will be especially useful for anyone involved in supporting people in any of the activities we do either in church or as an outreach activity. A number of those involved in the Renew Well-being Café have signed up to attend but it is open to all in the church who are interested. Although we don't yet have a firm date, if you are interested in becoming a Dementia Friend via this short workshop please let Anne Long know by email: aslan.aep@talktalk.net or telephone 01332 989563 and she can let you have further details in due course.

Men's Danger Club Our February event is to experience daring rescues in the local counties, the floods in Carisle, the Lockerbie and Kegworth Air Disasters and many others by the Derby Mountain Rescue Team. Join us at St. Mary's Church Hall, Draycott on Friday 25th February at 7:30pm. £5.00 which includes your first pint or soft drink and a donation to the charity. Contact John Skinner at church or on 07887 389 779.

Giving

We are most grateful for your continued financial support in these challenging times. It really is greatly appreciated!

Please do consider giving by standing order, BACS or cheque if possible. This reduces cash handling and physical journeys to the bank which is much safer for all involved. If you feel able to give a one-off gift or to increase your giving by standing order, that would also be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Please contact the Treasurer at treasurer@wdbchurches.org.uk or the church office at office@wdbchurches.org.uk for bank details or Gift Aid forms.

If you have a smartphone, you can also give using your mobile phone by scanning this code for St. Michael's but please be aware that a service charge is deducted by the provider: →→→→→→



Scan to give online

Donate while you shop online! You can now donate to St. Michael's when you shop online, at no extra cost to yourself. It works with Amazon (via Amazon Smile) and a host of other retailers via EasyFundRaising. Details are on the church website. It's very easy to set up. **Why not make your online shopping benefit the church?** Just click the logo →→



What's happening...

Regular events

Today

8:45 am	Holy Communion	St. Michaels, Breaston
10:30 am	Holy Communion	St. Mary's, Draycott
10.30 am	Celebration Service with Holy Communion	St. Michaels, Breaston

Monday

Please note there will be no Sunbeams (Half Term)

Wednesday

10:30 am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's, Breaston
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Thursday

10:00 am	Renew Café (until 12noon)	St. Michael's, Breaston
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Next Sunday

8:45 am	Holy Communion	St. Michaels, Breaston
10:30 am	Holy Communion	St. Mary's, Draycott
10.30 am	Celebration Service with Holy Communion	St. Michaels, Breaston
4:00 pm	Evensong	St. Michaels, Breaston

Special events

Tuesday 22nd February

7:30 pm	Prayer Meeting	St. Michaels, Breaston
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Friday 25th February

7:30 pm	Men's Danger Club	St. Mary's Church Hall
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Broadband in St Michael's The network is 'SMB Guest' and the password is 'SMBGuest2021'. We may turn this off during streaming of services to avoid disrupting the stream.