



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

Growing
as
followers
of Jesus

Newsletter for 20th March 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 sermon series The Lent sermon series is based upon the 'Be Still' course by 24/7 prayer. You can purchase the 'Be Still' book by Brian Heasley from the 24/7 website.

Lent Boxes This year's appeal is for Fr Georges in Madagascar following the recent cyclones. Please take a Lent box and return them at Easter or sometime shortly afterwards. Alternatively give by BACS and mark it 'Fr Georges'.

Lent Course If you aren't currently in a Home Group you are very welcome to join us at St Mary's, Draycott on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm. If you can't make every session please attend those that you are able to. If you would like a lift speak to Chris.

Mothering Sunday & Easter flowers We usually give out flowers on Mothering Sunday (27th March) and decorate the churches on Easter Day (17th April). Can you help in either St Michael's or St Mary's/ St Chad's? If so, please speak to Chris or one of the Wardens.

Prayer Chain It would be good to have as many people as possible join our prayer chain. This is a means of holding in prayer the things that are posted by those who are part of the group. All you need is a mobile phone and WhatsApp (which we can help you download if you don't know how to). Please speak to Rachel Huskisson, Chris or contact the office if you'd like to join this. We need all the prayer support we can get.

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 or Chris

Pray for Ukraine St. Micheal’s Church will be open on Thursday and Saturday from 10am –12pm. There is a prayer card available and we encourage you to light a candle.

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.

Experience Easter Help required We are running Experience Easter in Breaston on Tuesday 5th April and in Draycott on Thursday 31st March. We are asking for volunteers at both locations to help with this amazing opportunity. The session will run for a full day. If you can help, please contact either Steve or Jodie.

Prayer meeting in St Mary’s, Draycott this Wednesday at 7.30 pm

Prayer is about listening to God, discerning his leading, bringing the light in the darkness, changing the spiritual atmosphere and so much more. It is an essential prerequisite for healthy, growing churches where people are coming to faith. Please join us! next prayer meeting will be in St Mary's, Draycott on Wednesday 23 March starting at 7.15 pm. We will be particularly focussing on Draycott.

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:

	On Facebook				Not on Facebook	
w/c	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
20th Mar	2 Kings 5 v1-15, Luke 4 v24-30	Daniel 2 v20-23, Matt 18 v21 - end	Deut 4 v1-9, Matt 5 v17- 19	Jer 7 v23 – 28, Luke 11 v14-23	Isaiah 7 v10 -14, Luke 1 v26- 38	Hosea 5 v15 -6 v6, Luke 18 v9 -14

All other service details are at the end of the newsletter

Men’s Danger Club Our next event travels back in time to the building of the canals in this area. There is a Lock Keeper's cottage in Sandiacre, built in 1779 which is maintained by local people and thanks to them the proposed demolition was prevented. It's a fascinating story about the people who lived there, how they lived and how the building has been preserved. Join us at St. Michael's Church Hall on Friday 25th March at 7:30 pm. Only £5.00 which includes a pint and a donation to the Association. Looking forward to seeing you there. Please contact me on 07887 389 779 or see me in church.

John Skinner

Revision of Church Electoral Roll Notice is hereby given that the Church Electoral Roll of the above parish will be revised by the Parochial Church Council, beginning on Sunday 27th March and ending on Sunday 10th April

Jonathan Lupton

Giving Envelopes Most of our giving at St Michael's is now by direct bank credit or contactless inside the church. The use of cash has reduced hugely in the last 2 years. The cost of buying pre-printed envelopes is now disproportionate to the funds given this way so we are discontinuing buying these. A supply of blank envelopes will be available at the back of the church so you can continue to give in this way if you prefer. Please enter your giving number, seal the envelope and include it in the offertory. If you can switch to cheques, BACS or contactless it would be very much appreciated. As I'm sure you will understand, handling cash, opening envelopes, recording bankings and making weekly trips to the bank is time consuming and less secure than electronic banking.

Many thanks for your cooperation

Paul Stuttle, Treasurer

Erewash Community Sponsorship Coffee Morning There is a coffee morning taking place on Saturday 2nd April at St. Michael's Church from 10-12pm. There will be tea/coffee & cakes, a craft stall and a used book stall. We hope you can join us!

Getting Involved Would you like to be involved in any of the following areas? If so, please speak to Chris or one of the Wardens.

- Welcoming
- Serving refreshments
- Arranging flowers
- Operating audio-visual equipment
- Operating sound equipment
- Leading the services
- Leading intercessions
- Reading the Scriptures
- Preaching
- Prayer ministry

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

8:45am	Holy Communion	St. Michaels, Breaston
10:30am	Holy Communion	St. Mary's, Draycott
10.30am	All Age Worship	St. Michaels, Breaston

Monday

10-11:30am	Sunbeams	St. Michael's, Breaston
7:00-9:00pm	Youth Group (Years 7-9)	Steve Lacey's House

Wednesday

10:30am	Holy Communion	St. Michael's, Breaston
7:00-9:00pm	Youth Group (Years 10-13)	Steve Lacey's House

Thursday

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

10-11:30am	Sunbeams	St. Mary's Hall, Draycott
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Next Sunday

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

Other events

Monday 21st March

7:30pm	St. Michael's PCC	St. Michaels, Breaston
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Wednesday 23rd March

7:30pm	Prayer Meeting	St. Mary's Hall, Draycott
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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.