Bemerton Outreach

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July 2016 25p

St John's

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St Michael's



St John's Place - The Centre opens for use



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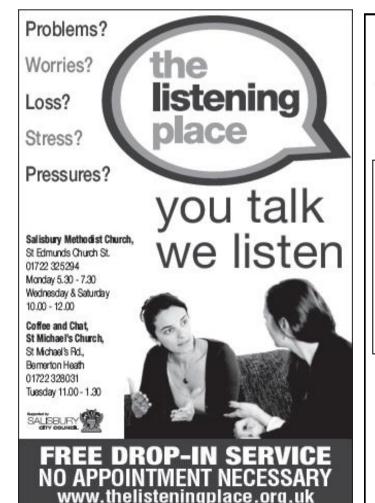
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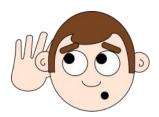
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Have you seen St John's? I expect before long we'll all take for granted how light and spacious it now is inside, but at the moment the wow factor is still there for me, as the building takes on a whole new lease of life at the heart of the community.

Renewal is something God is constantly about. It is built into the DNA of His creation. Flowers fade and go over and new buds appear, ready to open for a fresh display of colour and beauty. The cells in our bodies continually wear out and are replaced by new ones, healing the damage of cuts and broken bones and viruses that invade our health. And God "restores our souls" as the psalmist says, day by day if we will let Him, by just ceasing our busyness for a while to turn and be still in His presence. As a church we have been very busy of late with one project after another - refurbishing St Michael's Community Centre, establishing the Coffee and Chat cafe there and welcoming the Credit Union and all manner of new groups that now fill the building with life all week – St John's Place coming into being with all the planning and publicity and fund raising and all the work behind the scenes dealing with St Michael's heating and the quotes and faculties for the exterior work currently being completed on the tower and the much needed interior work to follow over the next few months.

All necessary and desirable, but time now for us to look to God to renew us, the actual church – the people – the "living stones" of Jesus' church. So, before we start making any more new plans or engaging in any more projects - and there is so much we would like to do to reach out to our neighbours with God's love for them - we are seeking to first let God renew us by waiting on Him in stillness and prayer. You will see various things arranged over the next few months ...prayer walks, quiet days, times of learning how to draw close to God and listen to Him or of sharing books on prayer we have found helpful with one another. On July 7th, for instance, Rachel Noel of the Hopeweavers Community is coming to lead 4 hours of prayer, quiet, creativity and fellowship at St Michael's. We want to encourage everyone to take time, whether alone or with others, to let God take them back to the roots of their spiritual life in Him, and for whatever we do next as a church to come out of these months of us all seeking to listen to what He is saying to us - and sharing the deep things God says to our hearts about the direction He would lead us in.

Gillian



Monday to Friday 11am to 2pm St Michael's

Community Centre

Meeting for Prayers 10.30 to 10.45 each day

Featuring - Tea & Coffee, Cakes & Biscuits, Soup & a Roll and of course space to relax, chat and meet your friends.

Home to The Listening Place every Tuesday

'Haven'

Every Thursday from 10.30 - 12.00, at St Michaels Community Centre. We will aim to provide a space where people can safely explore issues around faith, spirituality and mental well-being, a space where any story can be told and any question asked without fear of judgement or rejection. A place we will call our "'Haven' on the Heath".

For more information:

Ruth Main 01722 334995 or mobile 077513 54669

Quiet Day

Rev Rachel Noel from the Community of Hopeweavers is leading a day of Prayer, Quiet, Creativity, Fellowship and shared lunch on Thursday 7th July 10am - 2pm in St Michael's. Let Ali know if you will be coming.

Open to All

A practical Workshop to open our minds and our churches to be disability friendly and enable accessibility for everyone.

Saturday 16th July 10am - 4pm at The Salvation Army, Salt Lane SP1 1EE. For more details and to book email: opentoallsalisbury@gmail.com or tel: Rev Wendy Cooper (07790 704417) or Jo Broom (07769224471).

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St Michael's Angels

Meetings First Friday of the Month 7.30 pm July 1st Meal at Barford No meeting in August Contact Linda Carley for more details



What's On in St Michael's Community Centre

Learning to Draw

Would you like to learn to draw and paint? Alan Winstanley will guide you through some basic techniques at the Community Centre Poppy Room on Thursdays from 2.30pm-5pm There will be a small charge for any materials used, no experience necessary, this is for absolute beginners to have fun together and hopefully learn something new. Telephone 333847 to book a place.

Coffee & Craft - In the Coffee & Chat Café every Thursday evening 7.30 -9.00 for anyone to drop in for a coffee and relaxed fellowship - or to join in with making greetings cards.

KNIT and SEW and NATTER

On the 1st Friday of each month 11am - 12noon in the Coffee & Chat Café. Bring your own knitting or sewing or knit for charities or our own Christmas Bazaar. Some wool, patterns and needles can be provided. Beginners or experienced - all welcome.

Contact: Susan Drewett 01980 652751 for further information

St Michael's Senior Lunch Club

Every second Tuesday of the month

11.45am—1.30pm Lunch served at 12.15 noon.

Freshly cooked on the premises £3.70 per person

(Community Centre Hall behind St Michael's Church)

Tuesday 12th July

liver and bacon with mash cabbage and carrots fruit jelly and ice cream for desert

Men's Tuesday Coffee Mornings

Second & Last Tuesdays of the month - 12th & 26th July Join us in Coffee & Chat St Michael's Community Centre from 10.30 am More details from Alan Winstanley 333847

Thought for the Month Philippians 1:3-11

What does it mean to be Christian and how does that show in our lives?

Paul's prayer for his people was that their love would grow more every day (v.9-10). This wasn't the sentimental kind of love but a love that grows in knowledge and becomes more sensitive in that it can distinguish between right and wrong. If we love a subject we want to learn more about it and if we love a person then we want to know more about them. So if we love Jesus, we'll want to learn more about him and his truth.

Love makes you more sensitive to the one you love. If we really love someone we certainly wouldn't want to hurt them. More and more we take into account the desires of the one we love and we try and avoid. those things which aren't right. Therefore, the Christian seeks to become more Christ-like; to seek his will, his desires for our lives, to turn away from hurting others. The word that Paul uses for testing the things that are different and questionable is *dokimazein*. This is really a word used for testing metal to see if it's genuine. Real love in this context isn't blind and will enable us always to see the difference between false and the truth.

As the Christian becomes more Christ-like, more pure, they are less likely to cause another to stumble or hurt. The word used for pure is an interesting one – *elikrines*. The Greeks suggest that this may come from two different sources, both of which conjure up vivid pictures. It may come from *eile* – *sunshine*, and *krinein* – *to judge*, perhaps suggesting that it can withstand the test of sunshine without there being any flaw. On this basis it could mean that our Christian character can stand any light, any focus that is turned upon it.

On the other hand, my research suggests that *elikrines* is derived from *eilein* which means to whirl and whirl around being washed with water at the same time as if being put through a sieve where every impurity is taken out. I believe that this suggests that the ongoing work of the Christian to become Christlike results in them being cleansed of all evil until they are pure.

The Christian not only becomes pure but never causes anyone to falter or stumble. It's possible to be faultless but to be so strict and hard that we drive people away from Christianity. In our growing

Christian journey, we have to be loving and gentle so that we attract others to the Christian life.

Finally, Paul sets down the Christian aim – to live such a life that the glory and praise are given to God. Christian goodness is never meant to win credit for ourselves but to win it for God. As Christians we have to recognise that we are witnesses to God's love in the world but we only accomplish what God wills through his grace, never by our efforts alone.

Susan

The Queen 2016

With crown or with headscarf,
With corgi or carriage,
With courtiers or children,
The strength of a marriage;

To such a strong comfort
We bow with true wonder The calm of the Queen
Saves the country from blunder.

And often the twinkle we see in her eye, Which shows that humanity always is by, Gives ground for thanksgiving And true admiration.

Thank God for this Reign And the strength of the nation.

Iona Wake-Walker



Celebrating Her Majesty's Birthday with an Evening of Royal Elegance



8 am

6 pm

10.30 am

St Andrew's & St Michael's



Sunday by Sunday

Sunday 3rd July 8 am 10.30 am 6 pm	St Andrew's St Michael's St Andrew's	6th After Trinity Communion (BCP) Fun Church !! Evensong with Hymns
Sunday 10th July		7th After Trinity
8 am	St Andrew's	Communion (BCP)
10.30 am	St Michael's	Family Communion
Sunday 17th July		8th After Trinity
8 am	St Andrew's	Communion (BCP)
10.30 am	St Michael's	Informal Service
Sunday 24th July		9th After Trinity
8 am	St Andrew's	Communion (BCP)
10.30 am	St Michael's	Family Communion
Sunday 31st July		10th After Trinity
8 am	St Andrew's	Communion (BCP)
10.30 am	St Michael's	Family Communion
Sunday 7th August		11th After Trinity

Weekday Services

Communion (BCP)

Evensong with Hymns

Fun Church!!

Weekdays 9.00 - 9.15 am Morning Prayer St Michael's 10.30 - 10.45 am Coffee & Chat Prayers

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Every Friday 10 am St Andrew's Communion (BCP)

Tue 5th July 10.45am Jo Benson Day Centre Communion

11.40am Bemerton Lodge Care Home Communion

1.30pm Hedley Davis Court Communion

Visitors are Welcome at the Hedley Davis Court Communion

From the Registers

Baptisms

5th June Naomi Rose Snook

Weddings

29th May Joseph Edward Neilson-Winter & Louise Rhiannon Winter

Funerals

21st June Dorothy Muriel Welch

House Groups

Shirley's - every Monday in term time at 7.30pm, contact Shirley for venue. Meeting on 5th, 11th, 18th July. Contact Shirley 320355.

Laurence's - 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 2 Woodside Rd at 7.30 pm.

Meeting on 12th & 26th July. Contact Laurence 556530.

Susan's - Some Wednesdays 2.30 - 4.30pm at 96 Heath Rd.

Meeting on 6th & 20th July. Contact Susan 01980 65275

Maureen's - Meets monthly on a Thursday 7.30pm at 41 Australian Avenue Contact Maureen 333847

Bemerton Parish transport Scheme

If you need a lift to Church either very week or occasionally please ring Ruth Main and she will do her best to find a volunteer driver to provide transport.

Call Ruth on 01722 679334 / Mobile 07751354667

Prayer & Praise - with the Music group

Every Thursday from 7.30 - 9pm in St Michaels Half an hour to practice ready for Sunday followed by an hour of worship and praise.

All are welcome to learn new songs, prepare for Sunday and join the worship.



St. Michael's Community Campus

Are we a campus, rather than a centre? Its not an official name change, just a bit of re-ordering to help us see things slightly differently. I'm sure I've bored you all to death with the "where we've come from" story. I can't vouch for the past 50 years of community centre life, what I can say is when I came, the whole downstairs was empty. The upstairs had few regular users. The grass was at best a dog toilet, and one particularly memorable bank holiday it was a place for abandoned cars. All the windows in the main hall were broken - twice if it was a bad month.

Fast forward 12 years - we have a Trussell Trust Charity Shop - which collects as well as sells. We have the Credit Union - to offer a better way out of money troubles. We have a coffee shop, open 5 days a week, offering soup and someone to talk to. We have the Listening Place, doing what it says on the tin. We will soon have a bike hub, run by Rise 61, - where people can buy or bring in bikes, repair, and learn to do their own repairs. As for the groups - Rugby Tots, Slimming World, Over 60s, Extend exercise, Lunch club, Beading and Crafting, Art group, Salisbury City Church run a youth group on a Sunday night, and Rise 61 run a life group for young people as well. And yes, Andy is still here running Karate twice a week, and Bemerton Players are about to start casting for the Christmas production.

All this is abundant life - and I mention it for five reasons. First - you may know someone who needs to get out and do more, or needs support or encouragement - you might be able to invite them to something here at the Centre (and there's a leaflet you can put in their hand too). Secondly I want to thank Managers, caretakers, administrators, booking secretaries, treasurers, committee members past and present - you know who you are! You have been the good shepherds of this place - showing stewardship and husbandry, love and devotion - and all that goes on here now is the fruit of your work. Thank you. Third - you may be saying - where's the so-and-so group (that reminds me I forgot the knit and natterers!). Could it be that you should start a group?! If you see a need and feel you can fill it, then have a chat to Caitey - there's still plenty of room and we so want to get more groups going and see the centre fully used! Fourthly - what we have here is community. That is so easy to say, but its actually amazingly precious. Politicians want to keep us safe and make us rich - but that's only the minimum for life. TV and the papers want to keep us entertained and informed - which is nice. What we need is one another. Friends who are there. People to smile at, chat to, and get annoyed with!

Some have extended families, but not all, and families can be full of problems too. What we have, together, at the Centre is amazing, and we shouldn't take it for granted or neglect it.

Finally, fifthly, I know that there are those of you whose lives don't allow you to come into the Centre's activities. But just as we share in England football team's joys and sorrows, so you can see that the centre is part of the work of the church in this parish (just a part) - and that you can feel involved and included, by prayer and giving, and proud of what go on.

I don't mind if its a Campus or a Centre - its amazing! Simon



St Michael's Cross

Work is progressing on the roof at St Michael's making it watertight and adding a new coat of paint to the cross.

I knew the cross was tall as it is so bold as the church looks across the community.

I don't think I realised it was quite this big.

Church Flower Rotas

St Andrew's Mrs June Hatcher 501723 St Michael's Mrs Jenny Thomas 320294

Let June or Jenny know if you want to take a turn at decorating the church.

Magazine Articles

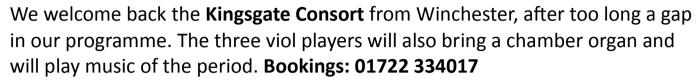
There is a coloured wallet on the Notice Board in St Michael's which I check sometime around the 15th of each month or send me items by email: hilaryabird@btinternet.com August Magazine - 15th July

The George Herbert in Bemerton Group

Summer Programme 2016

'Angels Musick'

Wednesday 10th August at 7.15 pm at St John's Place, Lower Road, Bemerton



Poetry Discussion Group

Wednesday 28th September 10.00 am to 12 noon at Belvedere House, 64 Lower Road,

Canon James Woodward, Principal of Sarum College in the Cathedral Close, will lead an informal discussion on one of George Herbert's poems.

Bookings: 01722 410050

We make no charge for our events, but there will be retiring collections for contributions towards defraying our expenses

Bemerton Flower Arrangers

Chairman Doreen Till 501538

Meetings 7.30 pm 2nd Wednesday of every month.

St Gregory's Church Hall, St Gregory's Ave

Bemerton Townswomen's Guild

2nd Thursday of the month 7.15 pm Roman Rd Methodist Church Hall 14th July Serve On - Rescue Service Don Cooke further details from the Secretary Mrs Chris Walley 331275

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You may read information on the website about a current study and wish to take part by contacting the practice

Participation in research is entirely voluntary and you have the right to say 'No'.

Your care and your relationship with your doctor or nurse will not be affected in any way if you decide not to take part in a research study

You will always receive clear information about what taking part in a research study would involve.

Nobody from outside this practice will be given your contact details or have access to your medical records without your prior consent. If you do agree to take part in a study, you will be asked to sign a consent form – this will clearly state which parts of your notes (if any) may be looked at for the purposes of the research

For more information, please visit <u>www.salisburymedicalpractice.co.uk</u> and click 'Research'.



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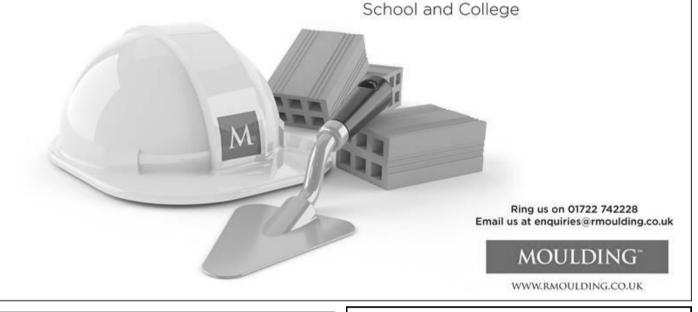


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