PARISH DIARY

Sunday 14th April

Third Sunday of Easter

8:00am BCP Holy St Michael's

Communion

10:00am Holy Communion St John's 10:00am Holy Communion St Michael's

Monday 15th April

3.00 pm Recce June St Michael's Concert

Tuesday 16th April Wednesday 17th April OFFICE CLOSED

9.30am Holy Communion St Michael's 3.15pm Homework Club St Michael's 6.00pm Junior Choir St Michael's 7.00pm Evensong Choir St Michael's

Thursday 18th April

9.30am Morning Prayer St Michael's 10:00am Knitting Group St John's 7:00pm Bellringing St Michael's

Friday 19th April

9.00am Survey of south St Michael's

side of church for Parish Rooms

project

10.00am Cleaners St Michael's 4.30 pm Wedding Rehearsal St Michael's

Saturday 20th April

10.00am Churchyard St Michael's

Working Party

Sunday 21st April Fourth Sunday of Easter

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Communion

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

the refreshments

Friday 3 May Historical Association Walk Walsall Arboretum 10am – 12 noon Saturday 4 May Guided Tour of Church and Old Churchyard 2-4 pm Wednesday 8 May Historical Association Walk Barton-under-Needwood 2-4 pm Sunday 12 May - Knowle Lodge Open Garden (National Garden Scheme) 1pm-5pm. St John's Church, Wall is providing

Tuesday 21 May Colwich Abbey Visit at 10.30 pm

Saturday 8 June Open Church at St John's 11am-4pm (Wall Roman Ruins also open)

Churchyard Working Party Dates

April 20^{th,} May 18th, June 15th, July 20th, August 17^{th,} September 21st, October 19th, November 16th, January 18th 2025

SUPPORTING THE FOODBANK

Please continue to give as generously as you can! At the moment there is a particular shortage of:

> Fruit Juice Stock Cubes Custard Snacks

Wall WI
Quiz & Pudding Night
Saturday 20 April
at 7.30 pm
Wall Village Hall
Tickets £5
and BYO drinks

CHRISTMAS DAY TOGETHER

2024 Our experienced cook has retired and so we need someone to cook the Christmas Day lunch at Wade Street church this year. If you have had experience of catering for around 60/70 people and have the relevant food hygiene certificate, please contact Gaynor Baldwin on 07989055965 or email gaynorbaldwin@aol.com We also need a small group of people to help prepare the vegetables etc on Christmas Eve for the lunch and help cook on Christmas Day. To find out more please contact Gaynor Baldwin.

NB from Ted: Caroline and I did the cooking some years ago with two other untrained people and were able to cope very well. I did the hygiene certificate online and the Wade Street regular staff gave us guidance. If you think you may be able to help, please don't be put off by thinking you are undergualified.

CHURCH NOTICES 14th April 2024 Third Sunday of Easter

storage space we urgently need to store two metal cupboards, 8 foot tall by 6 and half feet wide. They contain church finance records. Up until now they have been stored in a congregation member's garage, but we need to find another home for them asap. If you have some space in your garage or home and could take one or both cupboards, can you let either Sue Jones, Brenda Liptrot or the church office know. Thank you.

FELLOWSHIP MEETING The next Fellowship Meeting at St Michael's will be on Thursday April 18th at 2.30 to 3.30 pm and full details are in the April magazine.

FLOWER ROTA The new rota, which takes us up to Christmas, is ready to fill in, on the cupboard at the back of church. Thank you to everyone, especially Anne Lingwood, for the beautiful flower arrangements that decorate our church at special festivals. Thank you to the people who come and do the flowers each week for Sunday

worship. If you would like to join us, please contact me on 0798011150. *Brenda Liptrot*

CHRIS POLHILL CELEBRATION

Christine Polhill is celebrating 30 years as a priest on **Sunday 21st April** at the 10am Family
Communion service at St Michael's.
Please come along to share this special time with her. There will be cake afterwards.

WALKS There will be no Benefice Walk in April, but the Historical Association is holding walks on 3 and 8 May (see Save the Date). Contact Trevor James if you would like to join them or the St Michael's churchyard tour on 4 May.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES CARD

There is a St Michael's Children's Activities card for Summer 2024 at the back of church. Please take one. NB. There will be no Messy Church today and no First Steps on 6 May.

KNOWLE LODGE OPEN GARDEN LICHFIELD Sunday 12th May, 1-

5 pm. St John's Church, Wall is supporting The National Garden Scheme by providing refreshments for this event. We would therefore be grateful for cakes to provide as refreshments on the day. Please

contact Hilary Barker Mob 07714 958559

CHARITABLE GIVING AT ST MICHAEL'S IN 2023 We have

received Thank You letters from the charities we supported in 2023. They are displayed on the board at the back of church:

Christians Against Poverty £269.15 Children's Society (Christingle) £819.95 Embrace the Middle East £240.25 Prison Fellowship (Angel Tree) £237.04 (letter and card) Water Aid £350.49

REDUNDANT SPECTACLES FOR

AFRICA Many thanks to those of you that have donated your redundant spectacles for the Rotary Appeal at St Michael's and at Wall. Since January over 400 pairs have been dispatched, with help from several other churches and two Lichfield optician businesses. Your help really is much appreciated.

Trevor James

LOOKING FOR A HOME I have a

large box of foolscap size suspended filing complete with folders and inserts in immaculate condition and looking for a home. If anyone can use them or knows where they could be of use, I should be very grateful! Please contact me or the Parish Office.

Christine Higgs