



Coming to your church soon!

We are starting Messy Church at St Michael's in October - it will meet once a month on a Wednesday (3.30pm - 5.45pm). The aim of Messy church is to be a worshipping

community of all ages.

We still need people who are willing to join our team to help. Jobs include sitting at a craft table helping set it up and clear craft away, washing up plates etc, tidying the room, setting room out for food, welcoming the families as they enter church. *If you are free once a month on a Wednesday at this time and would like to help please speak to Karen Needham (01179759636)*

Abbeywood Community School is the brand new secondary school for the Stoke Gifford area which opens its doors in September and represents the start of an exciting new era in local education.

An Open Evening for prospective students and their parents will be held on Thursday 7 October from 6pm to 8pm.

As a community school, these state of the art facilities will be available for use by the local community during evenings and weekends, establishing it as a focal point in the locality. It is hoped that local residents and groups will be able to tour the school on a Saturday in October – watch for further details.



Sunday Club Contact information

We are updating all the Children's records, please can you let Karen Harrison (0117 330 8430) know if your child has any food allergies or medical conditions which weren't recorded on the contact form, also if you have moved house/changed your phone number.

Help Needed - When planning our groups for next year we have realised there could be up to 24 children in the Splash group, this will mean we would need an extra helper. If you are happy to be added to a rota as the third person and help if needed please speak to Karen Needham (0117 975 9636) Thanks



Harvest Appeal 2010– The Community of the Sisters of the Church –

The Sister of the Church would, once again, be very grateful for your Harvest Gifts of **non-perishable food**. During the past year through our food parcel ministry, the Five Loaves and Two Fishes, we have once again given over **75,000** tins to homeless people, and needy families and individuals. **(Please check the sell-by dates.)**

The Sisters would also like to thank us for all our past support. For further information please check notice board.

New Wine day visit at Shepton Mallett Show Ground on Thursday 5th August.

Tickets are available on the door. Adults £25, children (under 19 years) £15. This is a great way to discover the delights of a New Wine Summer Conference, experience all that they have to offer during this fun packed day. *Let the office or Julie know if you are going.*

At our services there is often an opportunity to **receive prayer for you or a friend whether for healing or any** other need.

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Living to make a difference

A Christian heart at the centre of the community

Welcome to St. Michael's

Please take these notices home with you for information & prayer



For hearing aid users select 'T' setting on your device.

Disability adviser is Louise Cooper call (0117) 947 0998 to discuss any relevant issues

Morning Worship at 10.30am (More contemporary) ~ the first part takes place in 2 venues, Church (more adult focused) and Old School Rooms (More Family Worship focused)

Recording of Sunday sermons – you can now hear most of our Sunday morning & evening sermons on the church website (www.st-michaels-church.org.uk)

Sunday 1st August 2010

9.00am Holy Communion and seminars

10.30am Morning Worship and seminars

5.00pm Evensong Readings: Song of Solomon 5:2-end
2. Peter 1:1-15

Speaker: Julie

6.30pm Holy Communion Reading: Psalm 146:1-6
(IN COFFEE SHOP)

Theme: **Praise**

Speaker: Julie

THIS WEEK

ALL REGULAR ACTIVITIES WILL RESUME AFTER THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.

HOWEVER THE COFFEE SHOP WILL BE OPEN AS USUAL THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER

Saturday 7th August

10.00am-12pm Saturday **Coffee Shop** - come and enjoy a bacon sandwich & a coffee!



FOR THE WHOLE OF AUGUST THERE WILL BE A CHOICE OF SEMINARS INSTEAD OF THE USUAL SERMON.

- 1/ Hearing God Speak (Coffee Shop)
- 2/ Cultural Callings (in T1)
- 3/ What a disciple looks like? (In Church)

Next Sunday 8th August

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| 9.00am Holy Communion | Reading: TBC |
| 10.30am Morning Worship | Reading TBC |
| 6.30pm Evening Worship | Reading: Eph.5:15-20 |

Prayer Surgery every Friday daytime during term time.

1 hour sessions. *If you want further information or to book an appointment please ring Susie Bishop (0117) 979 8371*



Maintenance Help STILL needed – Over the summer we would like to do some exterior decorating to the Old School Rooms. If you think you would be able to help with some general painting and cleaning we would love to hear from you. *Please contact the office. Thank y*

Also we need help with grass cutting, weeding and general tidying of the churchyard. *Please call Ben Greenslade if you can help in any way - 0781 224 2697*



Pioneer Minister

There was an encouraging initial response to the Gift Day last Sunday – but if you missed out, it's not too late to give! We would welcome further gifts – please feel free to pick up a leaflet that gives further details and place your gift in the Offertory box.

The aim of the post: to develop our outreach in the short term with young people, in the longer term, across the North Bristol area. Pick up a leaflet today that gives further details.

Housing for Youth Ministry Assistant

We're currently looking to recruit a young adult to join the youth team as Youth Ministry Assistant. If you've got a spare room in your house and would enjoy having a young adult stay with you from September 2010 until August 2011, we'd love to hear from you.

Anika (anika@st-michaels-church.org.uk)

Volunteering opportunities - If you have some spare time in the summer and would like to get involved with some youth work within the community (Stoke Gifford & Little Stoke) have a chat with me. There's a new scheme starting organised by Southern Brookes Community Partnership called 'dream scheme' where young people will do some work activities, earn points and then go on trips. Volunteers are needed. So if you are interested, I'd like to hear from you.

Anika Gardiner (anika@st-michaels-church.org.uk)



Social: 'Strictly St Michael's' on Saturday September 11th 7-10pm Old School Rooms

A fun evening of ballroom dancing tuition and a meal...
No previous experience necessary--
see posters for details

If interested email by August 1st to

helen.hine@blueyonder.co.uk or to jkday@ctlconnect.co.uk

General Synod – There are vacancies for the coming year. If you are interested please contact either Richard Willerton, Jane Watkivs or Phil Harrison. *(Please see notice board for more information)*



Promise Auction - Susie & Sophie Bishop and Jo Smith are going to visit the Chilli Children Project in Uganda in September. In order to raise funds we are going to have a promise auction.

If you have any 'Promises' you would be happy to auction please could you contact Wiz

01454 776678 or wizsammons@hotmail.com

Children's Society – Thank you to all those who participated in collecting money over the past year. The total raised was £561.22.

If anyone would like a box 'somewhere to put your loose change', please contact Sue Peacey 0117 979 9068

GARDEN OPEN DAYS

In memory of Ian Hamlen

We would like to invite you to come and have tea and cake with us on

**Saturday 28th or Sunday 29th August
2.30-5.30pm**

8 Gatesby Mead, Stoke Gifford BS34 8UL

Annette, Amy & Joe Hamlen

ihamlen@blueyonder.co.uk

In aid of Cancer Research



Ashling McCann is going to Romania on August 21st to work at a Christian camp for underprivileged children. Ashling is available from 1st-7th August to do jobs for anyone in order to help raise the money she needs to go. She is also looking for sponsorship for some Romanian children so they can attend the camp. Sponsorship is £70 per child. Maybe this is something Lifegroups would like to consider. *Contact Ashling on 0117 985 6528*