



Hoole Parish Church St Michael & All Angels

May / June 2022
Magazine



*Queen's Platinum Jubilee
Edition*



Hoole Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Sunday 5th June

Civic Service at St Michael's Church 10.30 Sunday 5th June

followed by

Village BBQ & Picnic on St Michael's School field 12 – 4pm



The Venue
Hoole Village Memorial Hall



Please join us

at Hoole St Michael's Church

Civic Service

Sunday 5th June - 10:30am
to celebrate

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee



Activities for younger children
during the service



Please join us to celebrate

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

at Hoole St Michael's Primary School Field

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Village BBQ & Picnic

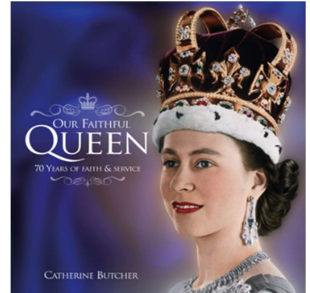
Bring your own picnic or BBQ available

Fun races & games for all ages

Refreshments Face Painting

Bouncy Castle Craft

FROM THE RECTORY



Dear all

Queen for 70 years! 70 years of selfless, faithful service to this nation and the Commonwealth. What a wonderful reason for a party and especially one which draws communities together.

So on Thursday 2nd June and Sunday 5th June Hoole is celebrating our Queen's Platinum Jubilee. There is a celebratory lunch in our magnificent new Village Hall, the Venue and then on Sunday we have a civic service in church at 10.30 for everyone with special children's activities during the service. After that on St Michael's school field there will be a village BBQ and Picnic from 12 – 4.00pm. Do try and make all or some of these events a priority - see inside for details.

A deeply inspiring book called Our Faithful Queen has been compiled for the occasion which will be available in church. It contains beautiful photos of key events and people from the Queen's 70 year reign together with inspirational quotations from Queen Elizabeth herself about the most important values and ideas on which she has built her life of faithful service.

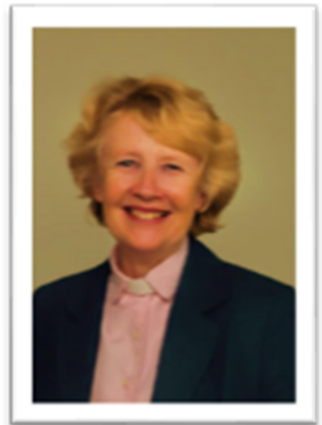
Foremost among these are forgiveness and love. At Christmas in 2014 the Queen explained what inspired her to forgive. She said, "For me, the life of Jesus Christ, the Prince of peace, whose birth we celebrate today is an inspiration and anchor in my life.

He is a role model of reconciliation and forgiveness. He stretched out His hands in love, acceptance and healing. Christ's example has taught me to seek to respect and value all people."

During her 70 years on the throne, the Queen has put duty before personal preference showing remarkable self-sacrifice. Her example is Jesus Christ. As she said, "Jesus Christ lived obscurely for most of his life and never travelled far. He was maligned and rejected by many though he had done no wrong. And yet, billions of people now follow his teaching and find in him the guiding light for their lives. I am one of them. Because Christ's example helps me to see the value of doing small things with great love!"

Let us follow her example, learn from her and her Master Jesus Christ and let's celebrate that example together as a community in June.

Rev Ann Templeman
Rector April 2022



CHURCH OPENING TIMES

St Michael's Church is open every day.

Opening times are:

Monday to Saturday inclusive: 9.30am to 4.30pm.

Sunday: 8.00am to 4.30pm.

VOLUNTEER ROTAS –

Church Flowers, Tea/Coffee

Details of these rotas may be found on page 30

ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS CHURCH, HOOLE

PARISH DIARY – MAY/JUNE

Sunday 1st May	9.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion Parish Communion with Sunday School Both services led by Bishop Tony Porter
	4.00pm	Holy Communion at Old Mill Court
Tuesday 3rd May	10.15am	Morning Prayer
Thursday 5th May	4.30pm	Chat & Chocolate
Sunday 8th May	10.00am 11.00am	Parish Communion with Sunday School ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING IN ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL WITH JACOB'S JOIN
	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Morning Worship with Sunday School
Monday 9th May	7.30pm	PCC meets in the Village Hall
Tuesday 10th May	10.15am 2.45pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer/Holy Communion in Church School Worship in Church House Group/Bible Study at the Rectory
Sunday 15th May	9.00am 10.30am 3.45pm	Holy Communion Parish Communion Royal Church in the Village Hall
Monday 16th May	7.30pm	House Group/Bible Study at the Rectory
Tuesday 17th May	10.15am 7.30pm	Morning Prayer/Holy Communion in Church Ladies' Group meeting in the Village Hall
Thursday 19 th May	4.30pm	Chat & Chocolate
Sunday 22nd May	9.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion Morning Worship with Sunday School
Tuesday 24th May	10.15am	Morning Prayer/Holy Communion in Church
Thursday 26th May		ASCENSION DAY
	9.15am	School Ascension Day Service in Church
	7.30pm	Holy Communion in Church
Sunday 29th May	9.00am	Holy Communion

	10.30am	Parish Communion with Sunday School
Tuesday 31st May	10.15am	Morning Prayer/Holy Communion in Church
	7.30pm	House Group/Bible Study at the Rectory
Thursday 2nd June	12.00 noon	Jubilee Lunch in the Village Hall
Saturday 4th June	1.00pm	Wedding of Charles Redshaw & Megan Demmon
Sunday 5th June		QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE
PENTECOST	10.30am	CELEBRATION CIVIC SERVICE FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY followed by FAMILY CELEBRATION AND PICNIC ON ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL FIELD
Monday 6th June	7.30pm	House Group/Bible Study at the Rectory
Tuesday 7th June	10.15am	Holy Communion/Morning Prayer in Church
Thursday 9th June	4.30pm	Chat & Chocolate
Sunday 12th June		TRINITY SUNDAY
	9.00am	Holy Communion
Tuesday 14th June	10:30am	Morning Worship with Sunday School
	10.15am	Holy Communion/Morning Prayer in church
	7.30pm	House Group/Bible Study at the Rectory
Sunday 19th June	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Sunday School
Monday 20th June	7.30pm	House Group/Bible Study at the Rectory
Tuesday 21st June	10.15am	Morning Prayer in church
	7.30pm	Ladies' Group meeting in the Village Hall
Thursday 23rd June	4.30pm	Chat & Chocolate
Sunday 26th June	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10:30am	Morning Worship with Sunday School
Tuesday 28th June	10.15am	Morning Prayer in Church
	7.30pm	House Group/Bible Study at the Rectory
Saturday 2nd July	2-4pm	Ladies' Group Summer Fete at the Village Hall
Sunday 3rd July	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10:30am	Parish Communion with Sunday School
Monday 4th July	7.30pm	House Group/Bible Study at the Rectory
Tuesday 5th July	10.15am	Holy Communion/Morning Prayer in church
Thursday 7th July	4.30pm	Chat & Chocolate
Sunday 10th July	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	CONFIRMATION SERVICE WITH BISHOP TONY PORTER



Annual Church Meeting

The APCM will take place on Sunday 8th May at 11.00 in the school after the morning communion service which starts at 10.00am (please note amended time), which incorporates the Rector's Report.

This is your chance to find out more about what has been going on in your Church throughout 2021 with all the background work of our church organisations and volunteers, and to find out about all the exciting plans ahead for 2022.

Copies of the Annual Reports & Accounts for 2021 are available as follows:

- Church Members should have received an electronic copy by email
- Electronic copies are available on request from the PCC Secretary or Treasurer
- A restricted number of hard copies will be available in church
- Available to view on our church website:
<http://www.hooleparishchurch.com>

The meeting will including a Jacob's Join. All are warmly invited to attend and contribute (see list of refreshments in church). Many thanks.

Children and Families at St Michael's Church

March has given me a good chance to reflect on what it is I love about my job. I began the month struck down with Covid and ended the month with talking to over 300 children about the true meaning of Easter (some of them more than once!)

As I battled with recovery from Covid, I struggled with work. I knew I wanted to be there, but my body had other ideas! As I led Sunday School or chatted at Chat & Chocolate, I knew I was doing what God wanted but also knew I would be tired later. So, I had to try and prioritise, which hasn't been easy. What is it about my job that brings me such joy and knowledge that I'm doing God's work? The times I spend with children, young people and families in and around our church, whether that's at church or at school. So they were the bits I prioritised and made my main focus.

In the final week of March, as school terms ended, Ann and I were able to visit Little Hoole Primary School to lead two Easter assemblies, then to lead Easter RE lessons in every class at St Michael's School and then to lead their Easter Church Worship. What an opportunity to share with these children about the true meaning of Easter!

As well as work in schools, we have had two Family Church services recently, both with

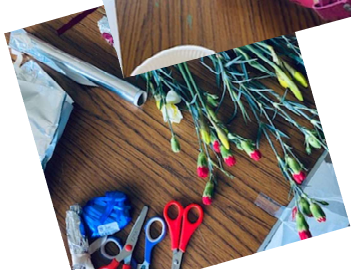
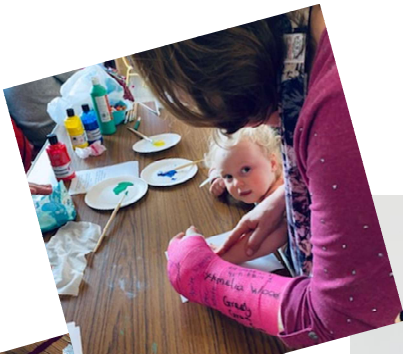


Sunday school activities

almost 100 people attending. The Village Hall has been full of the sounds of happy children and their parents and grandparents enjoying time together worshipping God at Pancake Church and Grandparents Church. It is great that we can provide a place where families come together to worship and many families

come along, who have no other connection to the church and we meet new people every month. Regular children's work within the church has grown over the past few months. Sunday School now has 3 groups – 0-3s, 3-7s and 7-11s, which means that the very young children who struggle to sit and listen, can go off and play with toys for a while and come back if they want to. This means that the 3-7s are less distracted by the tiny ones and can grow in their faith more. Chat & Chocolate continues for those in years 6-9 at school, on alternate Thursdays at 4:30 in church. This is a very laid-back group, where we try hard to have sensible conversations while we eat chocolate but can also just have fun.

My enforced time of reflection has made me realise, again, what a joy it is to work at St Michael's and what a privilege it is to share Jesus with so many people every week.



Grandparents Church

Coming Up for children & families:

Thursday 5 May 4:30 – Chat & Chocolate

Sunday 15 May 3:45 – Family Church (Royal Church) at the Village Hall

Thursday 19 May 4:30 – Chat & Chocolate

Sunday 5 June 10:30 – Jubilee Service followed by picnic on St Michael's School field

Thursday 9 June 4:30 – Chat & Chocolate

Thursday 23 June 4:30 – Chat & Chocolate

SUNDAY SCHOOL happens every Sunday at 10:30, unless we have Family Church in the afternoon.

Liz

Please join us for

ROYAL CHURCH

Sunday 15th May - 3.45 pm
at Much Hoole Village Hall

Come dressed as the King / Queen
or in Red, White, Blue

Refreshments Games
Bible Story Craft

All Welcome

Palm Sunday Service

What a lovely day for a Palm Sunday procession! Led by Rev Ann, the congregation walked from the school to the church and the donkey, Mickey, came along too.

During the service all the children went out to the car park for donkey rides which they all enjoyed. Everyone went home with a straw cross as well as lovely memories of the service.



Easter Sunday Flowers

Every year we all think the previous year's flowers in the church couldn't possibly be improved upon and, every year, we are proved wrong. Many thanks to the team for all their hard work which is much appreciated by us all! Here are a few of the beautiful arrangements for 2022.







SPACE FOR PRAYER

We have now created a space in church (in front of the pews) for anyone to come and sit and pray or just have a quiet time. There are materials to read and we hope it will provide a place to leave prayer requests. Prayer is a time when we have our conversations with God, but equally times of silence and quiet so that we can listen to what he has to say to us. God wants us to come to him in prayer and gives us the Holy Spirit to help us. Prayer is our breath.

If you would like us to get in touch please leave us a phone number, or you can contact us - details below.

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Email anntempleman@live.co.uk

Mandy Hughes (Ministry Team): Mob 07791 532461.

Email amandahughes945@gmail.com



Ribble Court

Ribble Court is a new residential and care home in our Parish, and is home to 30+ residents at present.

After making good contact with the company that runs the home to offer, Covid hit which made it very difficult to go in and meet the residents. We were finally able to meet in February on Valentine's Day and talked to the residents about St Michael's, and offered them some church services at the home. The response was very positive and it was lovely to be made so welcome – we enjoyed champagne and cake. A Songs of Praise was arranged for March which was a great success; we will be building on this and offering communion services as well.

We thank Sam (Manager) and Alison (Activities Coordinator) for their support.

Mandy Hughes, Ministry Team



THE LODGE PROJECT – FUND-RAISING CAMPAIGN



Much work has gone on since our last edition in the preparations for building our Lodge which is crucial to the life of St Michael's. It is essential for our burgeoning children who are the future of our church, as well as our youth work. It is equally vital for the everyday running of our church to provide accommodation for all our meetings, the church council, the Bible study groups, Baptism preparation, Confirmation group, Bereavement group etc.

Heartfelt thanks goes to all those who have so generously contributed as individuals or institutions. Since we began our fundraising campaign, building costs have increased by 30%. As a result we have decided to build in stages. The good news is that the foundations will begin at the beginning of May. The bad news is that we will have to find in the region of an additional £20k to complete the project. For this we urgently need your help.

There are a number of ways you can donate:

Easy Fundraising: When you buy goods on-line you can obtain a donation from the retailer. <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk> for more details.

Lodge Donation: You can donate any amount you wish, direct to the Lodge project.

Buy-A-Brick: You can buy a brick for £25 and your name will be added to a register of donors if you so wish, to be kept in the Lodge. More details from the treasurer or complete the form in this magazine on page 16.

Just Giving: The Lodge project 'Buy-a-brick' has its own *Just Giving* page. You can donate here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/stmchurchbuyabrick>

Alternatively, do contact Andrew Smith, our treasurer:
andrew.smith8118937@btinternet.com. Tel: 01772 615383. Mob: 07771 983726.



**We need your help and skills to
raise funds for this essential building**

Help needed with
- grant applications
- publicity
- project groups etc, etc.

We need this building as soon as possible so we are starting fundraising straight away. We'd like to begin by inviting you to buy a brick or bricks for £25 each for our building.

How to Donate:

Option 1 - Send your cheque to Church Treasurer, 79 Tillage Close, Walmer Bridge, PR4 5BZ providing your name, address, telephone and email.

Option 2 - For online bank donations, quote your surname + 'brick' and email our treasurer andrew.smith8118937@btinternet.com to advise, providing him with the same information as option 1 above.

Gift Aid - Please tell us if you would like to Gift Aid your donation.



BUY-A-BRICK FUNDRAISER

Hoole St Michael's Church needs your help . . .

We invite you to buy a brick for £25 each or multiple bricks or by donating any amount to our cause however big or small.

All donations will go directly to Hoole St Michael's Church to help with the costs of this project.

DONORS' BOOK

All named donors have the option to be included in our DONORS' BOOK which will be displayed in the Church Lodge on completion of the project.

WAYS TO DONATE

Option 1: JustGiving

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/stmchurchbuyabrick>

Option 2: Cheque - Made payable to 'PCC Hoole Parish Church'.

Post to :Church Treasurer Andrew Smith at 79 Tillage Close,
Walmer Bridge PR45BZ.

Option 3: Online Banking Donations

to HSBC Account No 84453034 Sort Code: 40-37-25 ,

Reference quote your surname + 'brick'.

**In addition, please complete & return the slip below for all options (1-3) **

RETURN SLIP

Please return by post to A.Smith (Treasurer) 79 Tillage Close, Walmer Bridge,
Preston, PR45BZ or email to andrew.smith8118937@btinternet.com

Name / Company Name: _____

Would you like this name to be included in the Donors' Book? YES / NO

Amount £ _____ Paid () JustGiving / Cheque / Online Banking

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Please Gift Aid my donation to St Michael's Church Buy A Brick Fundraiser

Signed _____ Dated: _____

“The Trial” – New departure for St Michael’s

A play performed during a church service? Why not! *The Trial* was a stunning production written and directed by Steve Newman for the first performance of St Michael’s Players. All the players clearly enjoyed participating in the drama.

The Trial was a thought provoking and challenging play exploring the Biblical account of Jesus’ unjust trial before the weak and vacillating Pilate who knew Jesus was innocent but was not prepared to risk his career to see justice done. The play was very faithful to the Biblical account in terms of the conversation between Jesus and Pilate and, by including some new characters underlined the guilt of us all.



The cast of “The Trial”

St. Michael's Players on Trial

Steve Newman

In the first thirty years of the 20th century, the British dramatist, John Drinkwater, wrote, produced, and directed plays at the Birmingham Rep about real people, which included Oliver Cromwell, Mary Queen of Scots, and Abraham Lincoln. And it was Drinkwater's beautifully crafted plays, and the much later advice of novelist John Wain (one of the original 'Angry Young Men') in a Warwick pub back in the '80s when I asked him for advice: "Just do it, old man. You can't go wrong writing plays about long dead historical characters; always a good earner, as a certain Mr Shakespeare knew very well." Good advice that put me firmly on that well-trodden path.

A long and winding path it has been too that, on Good Friday, at St. Michael's Church, in a short play called *The Trial*, brought the newly minted St. Michael's Players to the public notice as they closed the afternoon service with a twenty-five-minute dramatic work out that took the congregation (and the actors) by storm.

The Trial is about the harrowing last hours of Jesus before his crucifixion, hours that had to be condensed into less than the length of an episode of an average TV sit-com.

To do it meant rehearsing in the church so that everyone could get a feel of the place as an acting space which, after the first three rehearsals, began to work its magic, with each actor creating individual characters of verisimilitude that just as quickly became an ensemble of determination and professionalism. What more could you want?

A means of maintaining energy and focus.

And that could only be done with rising anger and interaction (with characters extolling opposing views) that often took the actors by surprise, thereby increasing a personal determination to be heard: always, in rehearsals, ending, of course, in laughter and the need for tea, coffee, and chocolate biscuits, loads of chocolate biscuits.

We had become a team, with each team member aware of their importance within the whole. Theatrical magic.

Within the play Jesus must maintain an injured, and bloodied, stillness, with few words. Only at the end does he fall to his knees reciting the Lord's Prayer (an early version), with the Guard exchanging his spear (and removing his helmet) for a wooden cross he then carries for Jesus as they exit. Things are changing in the world.

Other than Jesus, at the centre of the play is a very bored, and somewhat ill Pontius Pilate, who not only has to cope with a man he knows must die (and a stropky Clerk of the Court), but a man he also knows to be innocent. He is part of the inevitable drama. He just wants to go home to his villa in Rome.

To give Pilate even more grief I've introduced a Prosecutor, a cynical outsider whose purpose in life is to achieve the required result. Again, part of the heavenly plot.

Peter also appears as a witness who, as ever, denies Jesus three times. A bell tolls three times instead of a cock crowing - just a touch of John Donne for good measure.

In an attempt to muddy the waters three market stall holders are placed in the congregation to either defend Jesus, or scream for his death - 'crucify him, crucify him!' A device that builds the tension, and the fear for all concerned, and give the Clerk of the Court a very hard time keeping order.

To all of this we add live music, which gives a wholly new dimension to the words.

And the thing is it all worked wonderfully well.

The founding members of St. Michael's Players are:

*Pilate - Colin Wilson
Jesus - William Bracewell
Prosecutor - Gillian Slinger
Peter - Mathew Wilson
Sarah: A Baker - Nina Harrison
Esther: A Flower Seller - Hilary Newman
Reuben: A Butcher - Steve Newman
A Guard - Reuben Mahon
Clerk of the Court - Pat Fleetwood
Music - Carol Wilson
Design & Costumes - Hilary Newman
Written & Directed by Steve Newman*

FROM OUR CHURCHWARDEN, BARBARA

WATER AID

The water aid total this year was £120. Thanks to all who donated.

However, could I please advise that if any more jars are handed in at

church, the contents will go into church funds as we are no longer running this fund-raising event, unless of course, a volunteer would like to step forward???



VOLUNTEERS FOR CHURCH - JOB VACANCIES

Sadly I have not had any volunteer(s) step forward to take on the following roles as advertised and appealed for in our last magazine:

- **Magazine Advert Co-ordinator**
- **Poster Distribution around Much Hoole businesses**

Are you sure, absolutely sure, you cannot help??

I really *really* need to reduce my workload.

Many thanks

Barbara Wood
Churchwarden



QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE – "I WAS THERE"



We asked parishioners to let us have their memories of the Queen's Coronation. The response has been tremendous!

Coronation Year was very momentous for us. Tom and I had just moved into Hunter's Farm in Carr Lane and I was pregnant with Janet. The due date was 5th June. Any mother giving birth on the big day would receive a medal – but Janet was late.

I remember watching the Coronation on mum's new television, bought for the day. We had a full house with family and friends. Tom came when he could - he was very busy on the farm. It was spectacular.

Betty

The Queen's coronation was in 1953. She ascended to be Monarch on 6th February 1952 on the death of her father King George, and the coronation was the following year. It was 2nd June during the week of my 9th birthday which was on 4th June 1953. The coronation day was a public holiday and I had my birthday party whilst the adults all sat around the radio listening to the coronation. Not many had televisions then.

I vividly remember the day at school in 1952 when all classes had to go to the school hall and there was very sombre music playing on the radio. The Headmaster then came on to the stage and announced "King George has sadly died during the night - God Save the Queen".

Joan

I remember the death of George VI....Listen with Mother was cancelled and there was morbid music all day long.

We had a pageant at school and I was Britannia – as I was the tallest – complete with long robe and trident. We were each given a book each called *Elizabeth our Queen* which I still have and I also have a cardboard needle case in the shape of the Queen's State Coach (still fairly intact!).

Margaret

My memories of the events at this time are threefold and begin with death of the Queen's father, King George VI. This was on February 6th 1952; as a young 12 year old I remember that the whole school was summoned into the school hall mid-morning for an announcement from the head master. We were all stunned when we heard of the King's death.

My second memory is of the build up to the Queen's coronation. In the early 1950s we were still in the aftermath of World War II and rationing had only just ended for some items. Cereal manufacturers boosted sales by printing figures for children to build up collections of the Coronation Procession. There were Lifeguards, Royal Horse Guards, Footmen and all the different Carriages which would be used in the procession. Of course no procession was complete until you got the Golden Coach in which the Queen would ride; when we finally got this the procession took pride of place on the sideboard.

Thirdly to the actual coronation itself. Like so many my family went to a neighbour's house to watch the events of the big day. I was best friend to their son John, so along with others, we all crowded into the living room of Jack and Ella Parsons, the only stipulation being "Bring your own chair". It should also be remembered that the TV on which we watched the coronation was a big box with a small 12 inch screen whose picture was black and white and often quite hazy – but happy days.

Stan

My memories of Coronation Day 1953 began about 10 days before 2nd June, when there was great excitement in the house – our first television arrived just in time for the festivities. My parents invited several of our neighbours in to watch the great event, with Mummy supplying sandwiches, cakes and endless cups of tea from our lovely old tea trolley. As an eight year old I was mesmerised by the magic of this beautiful queen, her ladies in waiting, the 'Cinderella' gold coach, and the joy of being able to watch the event as it happened. The magic of these state occasions has never left me, and I still avidly watch every one! As there were several girls around my age living within yards of our house at that time, I don't think we stopped dressing up and pretending we were princesses for weeks - Mummy's high heeled shoes took quite a battering!!

Hilary

I remember being pushed in my pale blue and cream pushchair through Hyde Park on the day of the Coronation and seeing the gold coach drive past.

Ann

The morning of June 2nd, 1953, Coronation Day, was wet, with little sign of things brightening up. I was nearly six years old and was very proudly wearing my new cowboy outfit with two fully loaded six-shooters on my hips, and a 'ten-gallon' hat which was keeping out the rain, all given to me by my auntie Elsie, much to the annoyance of my mother and as the day progressed, the annoyance of just about everyone else.

The village where I lived in Worcestershire had arranged to hold a Coronation procession using three lorries belonging to Mr Pritchard, the coalman. My father, a baker, was given the job of organising the whole thing. When the lorries had been cleaned my family's upright piano was loaded on to one of them, added to which was a trumpeter and drummer. Then there was a group of children dancing on the second truck, with a tableau of the new queen sitting on her throne on the third.



My father played the piano during the procession

By this time the sun was shining, with music and cheering from the whole village as we processed along, and me firing salutes with my six-shooters.

We then went home to watch the Coronation on the TV, along with most of the inhabitants of our street, with sandwiches, cakes and ale for everyone.

In the evening there was a dance at the WI Hall, with my father's band, augmented by a sax player (a young pilot from the RAF base), a pianist, with dad leading on his blue accordion. I can see all those joyful faces now.

Steve

My Coronation memories as a 7 year old start the day before on 1st June because I was a bridesmaid that day and I was given a Coronation commemorative Book of Common Prayer which had ER on the front and a picture of our new Queen inside.



In our house we had a cardboard model of the Gold Coach and two union flags with the Queen's picture in the centre.

I remember watching the Coronation on a neighbour's TV sitting on the floor leaning on their green moquette suite. The only part of the ceremony which has stuck in my mind was the Queen having to take off her pretty dress and wear a gold robe, and then holding the Orb and Sceptre.

At school we were given a silver spoon and had our class photos taken which were mounted in this special folder. Besides the photo I still have the silver spoon, a commemorative Oxo tin and my Dad's beer glass.

Jean



Are you enjoying reading this magazine?

Would you like to have it delivered to your house all year round?

If so, please contact Mrs Elsie Kirkham, our Magazine Secretary, on 01772 615832, who will arrange for delivery. It's only £10.00 pro rata for the year.

Holy Baptisms – “We welcome into the Lord’s Family”

Charlotte Felicity Hickey was baptised on 12th March.

Arthur William Zion Wilson was baptised on 27th March.

The Departed – “As in Adam all die, so in Christ may all be made alive”

We give thanks for the life of Elizabeth (Betty) Chambers, aged 97 years, of Little Hoole. The funeral service on 9th March was followed by interment in the churchyard.

We give thanks for the life Thomas Michael Watkins, aged 80 years, of Clitheroe, whose ashes were interred in the churchyard on 12th March.

We give thanks for the life of Alan Orritt, aged 83 years, of Little Hoole. The funeral service on 31st March was followed by interment in the churchyard.

We give thanks for the life of Catherine Marshall, aged 99 years, of Walmer Bridge. The funeral service on 7th April was followed by cremation at Burcough.

We give thanks for the life of Brian Gregory, aged 78 years, of Wigan, whose ashes were interred in the churchyard on 18th April.



Hoole Church Ladies' Group

Many thanks to the Men's Fellowship for their invitation in March when we enjoyed John Hutchinson's talk about A.A. Milne's poetry, in which he included his own sketches of the characters in the verses.

Members also enjoyed David Morton's talk in April about the Jubilee Sailing Trust and the opportunities and challenges it provides.

Regarding our next meeting on Tuesday 17th May at 7.30pm, ***please note that this meeting will be held in St Michael's Church.*** The reason for this is that the car park at the Village Hall is being tarmacked and we will not be able to use it that evening. We are of course looking forward to Vivien Mumford's talk entitled "Jacinda Hesketh & her Scandalous Sister" - and we're expecting a fascinating story!

On 21st June at 7.30pm Peter Kenyon is coming along to speak about "A Good Cluttering" which also sounds fascinating. This meeting will be back in the village hall.

We are very much looking forward to our Summer Fete at The Venue, Hoole Village Hall on Saturday 2nd July. This will be the first time we will have held the fete in the new village hall and we are hoping for a very successful event. Raffle prizes and cakes (small and large), would be very welcome.

New members will be made very welcome to our meetings - we hope to see you.

Erika

St Michael's Church Men's Fellowship

The Men's Fellowship AGM on Tuesday 10th May at 7.30pm will be the last meeting of their programme for 2021/2022. All welcome.

REFUGEES
by Brian Bilston

They have no need of our help
So do not tell me
These haggard faces could belong to you or me
Should life have dealt a different hand
We need to see them for who they really are
Chancers or scroungers
Layabouts and loungers
With bombs up their sleeves
Cut-throats and thieves.
They are not
Welcome here
We should make them
Go back to where they came from
They cannot
Share our food
Share our homes
Share our countries
Instead let us
Build a wall to keep them out
It is not okay to say
These people are just like us
A place should only belong to those who are born there
Do not be so stupid to think that
The world can be looked at another way.

(NOW READ FROM THE BOTTOM TO THE TOP)

FLOWERS

AT ST MICHAEL'S & ALL ANGELS CHURCH

Flowers are paid for by generous sponsors and arranged by volunteers on a weekly basis.

At Easter, Harvest and Christmas the flower group work together in decorating our beautiful church for all attendees to enjoy.

Flowers, pedestals, pew ends, lychgate can all be provided for Weddings, Baptisms, or in memory of loved ones throughout the year on a non-profit basis.

All to remind us of the beauty of the world we live in and to be in thanks to our Lord.

New sponsors and helpers are always welcome contact Lisa Redshaw 614428

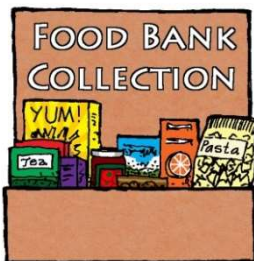


St Michael's Flower Group Rota

<u>Date</u>	<u>Arrangers</u>	<u>Sponsor/s</u>
8 th May	Claire	Mr Cleece
15 th May	Betty & Maureen	In memory of Eva Coxhead
22 nd May	Elsie	Ladies' Group
29 th May	Lisa	Mrs Ball & Mrs Bracewell
5 th June	Lisa	Wedding
12 th June	Jean & Joan	Mrs Bowker
19 th June	Julie & Elaine	Mrs Blakeley
26 th June	Betty & Maureen	Mrs Gleave
3 rd July	Jean & Sue	Mrs Slater
10 th July	Jean & Joan	Mr & Mrs Taylor

St Michael's Tea/Coffee Rota

1 st May	John & Honey	26 th June	Mike & and Joan
8 th May	Lynn & Carol	3 rd July	Gill & Nina
15 th May	Mike & Joan	10 th July	Alan & Monica
22 nd May	Gill & Nina	17 th July	Steve & Hilary
29 th May	Alan & Monica	24 th July	John & Honey
5 th June	Steve & Hilary	31 st July	Lynn & Carole
12 th June	John & Honey	7 th August	Mike & Joan
19 th June	Lynn & Carol	14 th Aug	Gill & Nina
26 th June	Mike & Joan		



Please remember to bring dry food items to church which can be taken to the Food Bank. Many thanks.

Christian Aid

Christian Aid Week is from 15th-22nd May

but help is needed at all times, please.

In the current situation, with conflict and climate change affecting so many countries of the world, Christian Aid is striving to save lives and give support to thousands of vulnerable families - **supplying shelter, clean water and sanitation, education, agricultural and environmental resources, medical care and counselling.**

Christian Aid works with partners in local churches and other community groups. It does **not** give money to governments.

This is an essential source of income for Christian Aid and I should be very pleased indeed to hear of new volunteers able to share this task. If anyone is able to help with the work of Christian Aid by delivering envelopes for Christian Aid Week or holding a small Coffee Morning, Tea Party, Wine and Cheese Evening or other minor event at any time, please contact me as soon as possible (see below).

Walk for Water or Cycle for a Bike

We are very grateful to those who took part in this challenge on March 26th to help to provide clean water or medical care (by bicycle) to remote or severely impoverished areas in several countries.

We are hoping that some of the uniformed organisations - or other interested individuals - may take part during the Summer Term. Sponsor forms and routes are available from local churches or from me.

Cath Greenlees 01772 613500; cathgreenlees@hotmail.co.uk

HOOLE PARISH CHURCH – ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

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Treasurer: Mrs Barbara Wood – Tel: 07745 208617

Hoole Church Ladies' Group – meets 7.30, 3rd Tuesday, in The Venue, Hoole Village Hall. Leader: Mrs Erika Penrose.

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St Michael's Men's Fellowship – meets 7.30, 2nd Tuesday, in The Venue, Hoole Village Hall.

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Friends of St Michael – Caring for the fabric of our ancient church.

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Hoole St Michael C E Primary School

Head Teacher: Mrs Juliet Price – Tel: 613219.

1st St Michael's Hoole Scout & Guide Groups – Contact:

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Church Website: <http://www.hooleparishchurch.com>.

Our Facebook page is called “St Michael and All Angels Church Hoole”



Please join us for

ROYAL CHURCH

Sunday 15th May - 3.45 pm
at Much Hoole Village Hall

Come dressed as the King / Queen
or in Red, White, Blue

Refreshments

Games

Bible Story

Craft

All Welcome



Hoole Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Sunday 5th June

Civic Service at St Michael's Church 10.30 Sunday 5th June
followed by

Village BBQ & Picnic on St Michael's School field 12 – 4pm



The Venue
Hoole Village Memorial Hall



Please join us

at Hoole St Michael's Church

Civic Service
Sunday 5th June - 10:30am
to celebrate

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee



Activities for younger children
during the service



Please join us to celebrate

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

at Hoole St Michael's Primary School Field

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JUN

12-4

FREE
ENTRY

Village BBQ & Picnic

- Bring your own picnic or BBQ available
- Fun races & games for all ages
- Refreshments
- Face Painting
- Bouncy Castle
- Craft