

**"TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN"**



Dear All

June began with the wonderful celebrations of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee throughout our nation and beyond. Our own celebration service at St Michael's was attended by representatives of the whole community. At the centre of the service was a Thanksgiving narrative celebrating all seven decades of the Queen's reign. Different members of the community e.g. Parish Council, Bowling Club, Ladies' Group and St Michael's School read out some of the significant events of their decade. Each was punctuated by a resounding Alleluia. We gave thanks for the Queen's personal commitment to God and her selfless service to the nation. We followed the Saint Michael's service by a barbecue in the school and an excellent football match masterminded by Colin Wilson which was a re-enactment of the FA Cup final of 1953. The mayor of South Ribble blew the whistle to start the match and Queen Nina presented the prizes to the winning team.

The rest of June and July was marked by several beautiful weddings including that of Charles and Meghan Redshaw and Michael and Kelly Orritt.

The same theme of new beginnings was emphasised by a number of baptisms including two baptisms of Confirmation candidates by full immersion in a paddling pool in church – a first I believe for Saint Michael's. Baptism by immersion is a wonderful

way to bring out the full significance of baptism. At a Baptism service we welcome people into God's family but we do so after a profession of faith. Candidates who are old enough to make their own vows promise to turn away from all that is wrong in their lives and make a personal commitment to Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour.

Then on 10th July Bishop Tony Porter conducted our Confirmation service – a very significant new start with the Confirmation of five young people and also three adults. You can read their wonderful testimonies about their faith journey later in this magazine.

Alongside all these exciting events we have watched our new Platinum Jubilee Lodge grow dramatically before our eyes. We are assured it will be ready to be opened and to use from the 18th September. Archdeacon Mark Ireland who suggested the Lodge in the first place and has been very supportive throughout will be speaking at our special celebratory service at 10.30am on 18th September. He will then formally open the lodge. There will be refreshments and then a parish barbecue to celebrate this significant New Beginning for Saint Michael's church. At last we will have a building to accommodate our children's and young people's work during the service on Sunday and also house a variety of activities and events throughout the week e.g. Bible studies, Baptism preparations, Church Council meetings Bereavement teas, Mums and Toddlers' etc.

At the time of writing we are at the very exciting stage of planning our autumn programme: we hope to hold an Alpha course on Wednesday evenings in October and November to which every member of the local community is warmly invited (see article). Please consider whether you would like to come along: you can just dip in and try one session – the 30 minute films are very excellent.

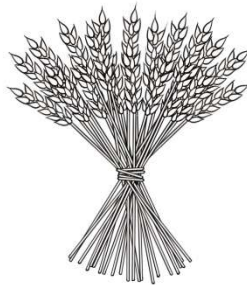
It will be a great way to meet people and to go deeper into the Christian faith.

A huge thank you to all those groups and individuals who have contributed thus far. See Jane Elphick's article on about what else is needed at this stage.

We are all very conscious that all these exciting new developments will only thrive if everything we do is underpinned by prayer. So please pray. It is God's work we are engaged upon and we need to stay close to Him as we strive to live out our aims – TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN.

Rev Ann Templeman  
Rector.

August 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 pages 28 & 29.

# **ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS CHURCH, HOOLE**

## **PARISH DIARY – SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER**

Sunday 4th Sept	9.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion Parish Communion with Bishop Tony
Thursday 8th Sept	4.30pm	<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL RESTARTS</b> Chat & Chocolate in the Lodge
Sunday 11th Sept	9.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion Holy Communion with Sunday School
Monday 12th Sept	7.30pm	PCC meets in the Lodge
Tuesday 13th Sept	10.15am 7.30pm	Holy Communion Bible Study in the Lodge
Thursday 15th Sept	4.30pm	New Bible study for young people in the Lodge
Sunday 18th Sept	(N.B. There is no 9.00am Service today) 10.30AM	<b>GRAND OPENING OF PLATINUM JUBILEE LODGE AND CELEBRATION SERVICE WITH ARCHDEACON MARK. BBQ. CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES</b>
Tuesday 20th Sept	10.15am 7.30pm	Holy Communion Ladies' Group meeting in the Village Hall
Thursday 22nd Sept	4.30pm	Chat & Chocolate in the Lodge
Sunday 25th Sept	9.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion Holy Communion with Sunday School
Monday 26th Sept	7.30pm	Bible Study in the Lodge
Tuesday 27th Sept	10.15am	Holy Communion
Wed 28th Sept	2.00pm	St Michael's School Harvest Festival
Thursday 29th Sept	4.30pm	Bible study for young people in the Lodge
Friday 30th Sept	7.00pm	<b>HARVEST SUPPER &amp; QUIZ IN VILLAGE HALL</b>
Sunday 2nd October	9.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion <b>HARVEST FESTIVAL &amp; GIFT DAY</b>
Tuesday 3rd October	10.15am	Holy Communion
Wed 5th October	7.00pm- c8.30pm	<b>ALPHA COURSE BEGINS IN THE LODGE</b>
Thurs 6th October	4.30pm	Chat & Chocolate in the Lodge
Sunday 9th October	9.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion Morning Worship

	3.45pm	FARM CHURCH AT THE VILLAGE HALL
Tuesday 10th Oct	10.15am	Holy Communion
Wed 12th October	7.00pm- c8.30pm	ALPHA COURSE IN THE LODGE
Thur 13th October	4.30pm	Bible study for young people in the Lodge
Sunday 16th October	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Sunday School
Tuesday 18th Oct	10.15am	Morning Prayer
	7.30pm	Joint Men's Fellowship & Ladies' Group In the Village Hall
Wed 19th October	7.00pm- c8.30pm	ALPHA COURSE IN THE LODGE
Thur 20th October	4.30pm	Chat & Chocolate in the Lodge
Sunday 23rd October	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Morning Worship with Sunday School
Tuesday 25th Oct	10.15am	Morning Prayer
Wed 26th October	7.00pm- c8.30pm	ALPHA COURSE IN THE LODGE
Sunday 30th October	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Sunday School
	6.00pm	SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING FOR LOVED ONES
Tuesday 1st Nov	10.15am	Holy Communion
Wed 2nd November	7.00pm - c8.30pm	ALPHA COURSE IN THE LODGE
Thur 3rd November	4.30pm	Bible study for young people in the Lodge
Sunday 6th November	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Parish Communion with Sunday School
Tuesday 8th Nov	10.15am	Morning Prayer
Wed 9th November	7.00pm- c8.30pm	ALPHA COURSE IN THE LODGE
Thur 10th Nov	4.30pm	Chat & Chocolate in the Lodge
Fri 11th November	9.00am	St Michaels' School Remembrance Service (provisional)
Sunday 13th Nov	(N.B. There is no 9.00am Service today)	
	10.10am	REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE
Tuesday 15th Nov	10.15am	Morning Prayer
	7.30pm	Ladies' Group meeting in the Village Hall
Wed 16th November	7.00pm- c8.30pm	ALPHA COURSE IN THE LODGE
Thur 17th November	4.30pm	Bible Study for young people in the Lodge
Saturday 19th Nov	10.00am-2.00pm	QUIET MORNING IN LODGE WITH ARCHDEACON MARK
Sunday 20th Nov	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Parish Communion
	3.45PM	CHOCOLATE CHURCH IN THE VILLAGE HALL

HOOLE ST. MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS CHURCH

# PLATINUM JUBILEE LODGE

# GRAND

# *Opening*

COME AND JOIN US

**Sun. 18th September 10.30am.**

**GRAND OPENING BY  
ARCHDEACON MARK  
& CELEBRATION SERVICE**

*followed by*

*Canapés - BBQ - Treasure Hunt*

*Children's Activities - All Welcome*



**ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, HOOLE**

**HARVEST FESTIVAL  
& GIFT DAY**

**Sunday 2nd October at  
10.30am**



**ALL HARVEST  
GIFTS ARE  
MOST WELCOME**





## Harvest Festival & Gift Day Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 10.30am



'All God's gifts around us are sent from heaven above, O thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all His love'

***We plough the fields and scatter*** is one of the great Harvest hymns. All the good gifts we have come from God, and at Harvest particularly we focus on thanking Him for all his generosity of love. But we all know true thankfulness must be demonstrated in our lives as well as on our lips

So this year our Harvest Festival service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October will also be a '**Gift Day**' when all of us are encouraged to consider prayerfully our giving, and pledge anew to give to the work of God's kingdom here in Hoole.

We are at a very exciting time in the life of St Michael's and have been greatly blessed in many ways this year. Our new Lodge is nearing completion, which will transform the way we do our children's work on a Sunday and provide all sorts of opportunities to reach out to the community. We have seen many new adults and children joining our worshipping congregation over the last year and we long to welcome many more. **For all this we need resources.**

We have received many generous gifts towards the Lodge, but regular giving, which we need to pay our bills, has not yet returned to pre-Covid rates and we urgently need to increase our current monthly income to do so.

The PCC is therefore inviting everyone who attends St Michael's or regards St Michael's as their church, to consider whether they could increase their regular monthly giving or perhaps begin to commit to giving on a regular basis if they don't currently do so.

There are 3 areas which urgently need resourcing and we would like you to pray about whether you could pledge to give to one or more:

1. The Lodge: we have wonderfully raised most of the money needed for the actual building, but we now need to equip it for all the church and community use we have planned;
2. Our biggest monthly expenditure is paying for our young people's minister. Could you contribute on a regular basis or a one-off gift specifically to our children and youth ministry?
3. The church general fund which covers all the expenditure on maintaining the church and its ministry.

**At our Harvest Festival on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October we will be inviting people to hand their pledge in a sealed envelope. Please start praying now about what God wants you to give.**

**'God loves a cheerful giver'**



## PLATINUM JUBILEE LODGE



### UPDATE 3

7 August 2022

Since the last issue of the magazine, building on the Platinum Jubilee Lodge is happening at a rapid pace.

The original stone has now been re-built as a feature of the Lodge wall.

Construction of the brickwork is at a point where the stone sills are required which have now been delivered. Windows are in the process of being installed and the screed flooring will be laid next

Wednesday. The slate roof can be finished once brickwork has been completed.

Plastering and second fix will commence in the coming weeks.



The trench from the Church to the Lodge for utility supplies (i.e. water / electric/ internet) has been dug, laid and refilled, which Harry Sutton's Team have done a remarkably neat job.



### FUNDRAISING

THANK YOU to everyone who has supported this exciting community project, If you would still like to make a donation please visit:

[www.justgiving.com/campaign/stmchurchbuyabrick](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/stmchurchbuyabrick)

(Donations can also be made by Cheque / Bank Transfer / Debit Card)

Please visit the church website [www.hooleparishchurch.com](http://www.hooleparishchurch.com) for further information.

Thank you again for your continued support.

*Paul Wignall*



## **OUR PLATINUM JUBILEE LODGE IS NEARING COMPLETION!**

Thanks to many generous donations from local organisations, Blackburn Diocese and individual supporters, the building of our lodge is continuing rapidly, and we are planning a grand opening on September 18<sup>th</sup> 2022.

However, we are now working on fitting out the inside of the lodge to ensure it can be used flexibly for our children's work, but also for adult and social meetings. We need your help to do this.

Several people have said that they would prefer to make donations towards a specific item, rather than donating into a general fund (but you can choose your preference: general or specific). Here is your chance to do so!

We already have some items, but you will see below a list of others we need, with a rounded costing. If you feel able to donate you don't have to buy the item – we will do that – just let us know what you wish to buy and arrange to transfer the appropriate amount of money.

**A donation of £10** could buy any of the following: dustpan and brush, doormat, cleaning products, washing up caddy, toilet roll holder, toilet brush.

**A donation of £20** could buy any of these items: small folding tables, mop and bucket, coat hooks, waste bins, wall clock.

**A donation of £25** could buy a chair for a child.

**A donation of £30** could be used to buy a mirror for the toilet area, a baby change unit, or window blinds.

**A donation of £45** could buy a chair for an adult.

**A donation of £50** could buy us a computer desk or a bracket to mount the TV.

**A donation of £150** would buy the fridge or children's work table we need.

**A donation of anything at all** could go towards buying teaching aids for our children and young people's work and adult discussion groups. These will include DVDs, books, craft materials, stationery etc.

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If you feel able to make a specific donation, thank you so much.  
If you feel able to make a general donation, thank you so much.

There are three ways to donate:

Place your gift in an envelope at the collection on our Harvest Gift Day on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, clearly marked with your wishes.

Place your gift in an envelope at any time, clearly marked with your wishes and give to the churchwardens.

Donate online quoting "Lodge F&F" in the bank reference and send a covering email to the churchwardens advising us how you wish this to be spent.

**Bank details are:**


PCC Hoole Parish Church

HSBC Account No 84453034/ sort Code 40-37-25

**Very many thanks for all your past,  
present and future support**

Jane Elphick, Churchwarden





ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH  
**HARVEST SUPPER  
& QUIZ**

 **2 COURSE MEAL AND  
ENTERTAINMENT** 

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**FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER**

**HOOLE VILLAGE HALL  
7.00PM - 10.30PM**

TICKETS: Adults : £10

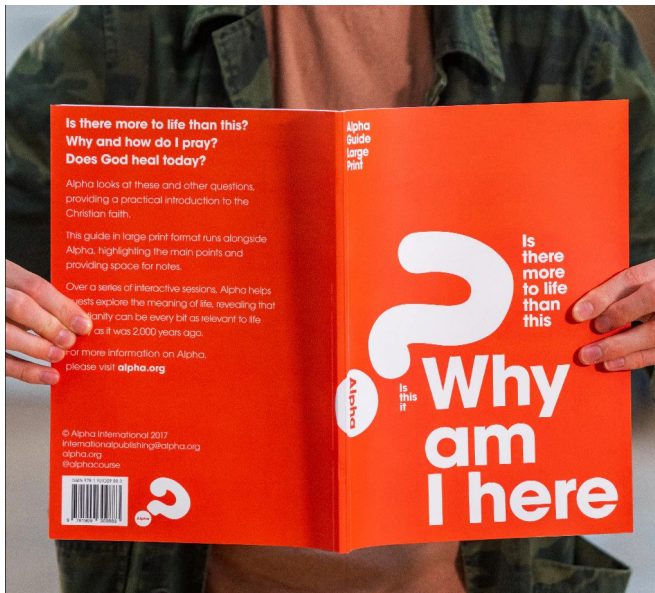
Under 15: £5

Tickets available from Church or  
Sheila Taylor 01772 616850  
or Colin Wilson 01772 616978

PLEASE ALSO JOIN US FOR THE  
HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE & GIFT DAY  
SUNDAY 2ND OCTOBER - 10.30AM

# ST MICHAEL'S ALPHA COURSE

**5<sup>th</sup> October-16<sup>th</sup> November on Wednesdays at 7.00pm  
in our new Platinum Jubilee Lodge**



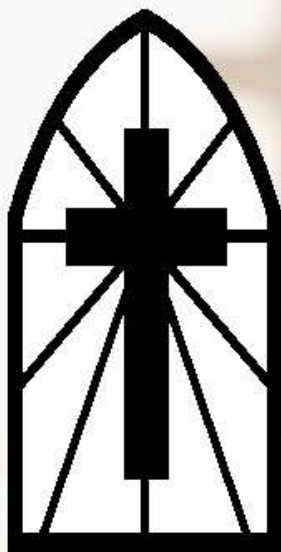
We are planning to hold an Alpha Course in October and November in our wonderful new Lodge. The Alpha Course is used all over the world by Christians to introduce people to Jesus and encourage them to explore the Christian faith. Many people today have had very little opportunity to find out for themselves about Christian commitment while others would value a chance to go deeper.

Please join us. The evening will begin at 7.00pm with refreshments followed by a short video and then a chance to discuss in small groups till 8.30pm.

Please do come along and bring friends.

Rev Ann

**A TIME TO REMEMBER...**



You are warmly invited to a  
**Service of Thanksgiving for  
Loved Ones**

*at St Michael's Church, Hoole on  
Sunday 30th October 2022 at 6.00pm*

*There will be an opportunity to light a candle in  
remembrance of your loved one(s)*

## Children and Families at St Michael's Church

Welcome to the new term. There is lots going on for children and families this term, and we'd love to welcome you along to church this school year. Here are the key dates for you:

4 September	16 October
11 September	23 October
18 September (including the opening of the Lodge)	30 October
25 September	6 November
2 October	13 November
	27 November

**Chat & Chocolate:** a very informal group for young people in years 6-9, meeting from 4:30-5:15 on alternate Thursdays in the Lodge. A good chance to unwind after school, eat chocolate and chat about anything on your mind. Key dates:

8 September	20 October
22 September	10 November
6 October	24 November

**Bible & Biscuits:** a brand-new group for young people in years 6-13 meeting from 4:30-5:30 on alternate Thursdays in the Lodge. A chance to read the Bible, pray and worship God in an age-appropriate way.

15 September	13 October	
29 September	3 November	17 November



**Family Church:** an informal all age service with crafts, songs, Bible teaching and cake, suitable for all the family. It happens each month at 3:45 in the Village Hall, St Michael's School or church.

18 September: See extra notice about the opening of the Lodge

9 October: Farm Church in the Village Hall

20 November: Chocolate Church in the Village Hall

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Liz



## **BAPTISM AT ST MICHAEL'S**

Tilly and Stanley Sanderson have become regular attenders at our Sunday School and, with the support of their parents and family they were baptised on 3rd July. Having seen her friend baptised by full immersion recently, Tilly decided to choose this method too, although Stanley opted for standing beside the pool and keeping a little drier!

It was a joyous and meaningful service with both young people making promises for themselves, and being welcomed into the fellowship of St Michael's Church.



## CONFIRMATION AT ST MICHAEL'S

Several people in our congregation were confirmed by Bishop Tony Porter on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July. It was a most joyful and significant occasion. Here are some of the confirmation testimonies from the candidates.

### Kerry

'I wanted to be confirmed to strengthen my understanding of my faith and myself. I have achieved this and also gained two wonderful new friends in Natalie and Pippa. As the three of us take these next steps together we do so in the same way as we come to your table "not because we must but because we may'.

### Pippa

"In life thus far I feel like God has guided me, shared in my joy and given me strength within to tackle life's challenges. I have a wonderful family of whom I am immensely proud, and I have chosen to be confirmed as a way of giving thanks to God for everything he has blessed us with.

I want to affirm my commitment to the Christian faith and encourage my children to do the same as they grow older – through good and bad periods in life – drawing strength through faith.

During the confirmation journey I have learnt to incorporate prayer more regularly into my life and have been encouraged in faith by the joy of answered prayer. I have also met Natalie and Kerry whom I know will be lifelong friends and I hope we can support and encourage each other both in faith and throughout life."

## Natalie

I chose to be confirmed because when I was going through baptism preparation for my daughter Nancy, and making promises for her, I felt I needed to do this for myself.

Through the process I've learnt:

- Science and religion are compatible
- praying is not only about asking for help or when in need
- it's OK to not have all the answers or understand everything but be open to learning
- and I've also gained two great friends in Pippa and Kerry.

## Tilly

"I want to be confirmed because I love the sound, feeling, and surroundings of being part of God's family. All throughout my prep I focused on one word – repent. Repent means that you say sorry, you are sorry and you want to make a new start. Last Sunday I was baptised by immersion and went fully under the water. This was to show Jesus had washed away my sins by dying on the cross for me. Today, when I am confirmed I am looking forward to a new start following Jesus as an adult Christian".

## Alysia

"I want to be confirmed because I want to be part of God's Family. I like the Easter story, especially the resurrection and a new life.

I have enjoyed learning about the Holy Spirit/God & Jesus".

## Charlie

"I want to be confirmed because I love God and want to love Him more. I want to hear more about Jesus and learn about the miracles he performed while on earth. God has done so much for me: He has given me an amazing life, a generous family and unmatched

friends. I am so happy I can talk to God and Jesus about anything – for example I prayer to Jesus and asked for a holiday. He listened and I received it. It was the best week of my life.

I am looking forward to getting to know Jesus more every day”.

### Eve

“I want to be confirmed because now I am older, I want to confirm my faith.

I have learnt more about the Bible, God and Jesus and the classes have helped me to understand more about the Bible stories. I have enjoyed the classes because of the surroundings and the Church”.

### Jacob

“I want to be confirmed to renew the promises made by my parents when I was baptised.

We have learnt about the Bible, Jesus, God and what the Cross means to us”



## PARISH WALK – TUESDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> JULY

Colin and Carole had worked hard with their planning to organise our second parish walk this year. We started and finished at the Blue Anchor, Bretherton and walked about three miles on a lovely sunny evening. Meals had been booked at the pub for our return and the whole evening was a great success for St Michael's social group. Many thanks to the Wilsons!



(If you would like to see the Parish Magazine in colour, including this photo, please go to our website <http://www.hooleparishchurch.com> )





## SPACE FOR PRAYER

We have 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.

Revd Ann Templeman: 01772 448515, Mob 07877 659156.

Email [anntempleman@live.co.uk](mailto:anntempleman@live.co.uk)

Mandy Hughes (Ministry Team): Mob 07791 532461.

Email [amandahughes945@gmail.com](mailto:amandahughes945@gmail.com)



## **FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS**

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

Tilly Mae Sanderson was baptised by full immersion on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2022.

Kerian Elizabeth Hayes was baptised on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

Alexander Philip Orritt and Joshua Terrence Orritt were baptised on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

### **Confirmation**

On 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022 the following were confirmed by Bishop Tony Porter:

Alysia Ainsworth

Pippa Bracewell

Charlie Christopher Davison

Natalie Michelle Gladwinfield

Kerian Elizabeth Hayes

Tilly Mae Sanderson

Jacob Guy Joseph Wakeling

Eve Louise Wignall

### **Weddings – “Those whom God hath joined together”**

Jonathon Crankshaw and Lucinda Wing were married on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022.

Michael Andrew Orritt and Kelly Patricia Ross were married on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022.

### **Marriage Blessing**

A Marriage Blessing took place between Howard Aspinall and Emma Duxbury on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

### **Received into the Church of England**

Barry David McManmon was received into the Church of England on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2022.





# 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*

## **TO ALL SPONSORS OF THE FLOWER FUND**

**(past, present and future...)**

**As many of you will be aware by now, the PCC, in consultation with the Flower Fund Committee, made the decision in March 2022 to amalgamate our church bank accounts.**

**This course of action was taken for three reasons:**

**In November 2021 our bank (HSBC) and many others started to apply bank charges for all cash and cheque transactions**

**Prior to that, we were strongly advised by the Finance Director of the Diocese of Blackburn that all funds raised for the benefit of the church should be in one account**

**As a charity with excepted status, we are having problems finding a new bank that does not apply charges because we are not a registered charity so combining the accounts reduces costs quite effectively.**

**We are encouraging as many sponsors and donors as possible to convert from cash or cheque donations to one of the following:**

**Standing Order (via online banking or a manual instruction to your bank – I can supply the form you need)**

**Online bank transfer (BACs)**

**Many of you have already responded to my email or letter and converted to one of the above, for which we thank you very much.**

**If you currently donate via one of the above methods to the Flower Fund bank account and we have not managed to make contact with you, please can you contact me as a matter of some urgency so I can provide you with the information you need to continue donating to the Flower Fund.**

**In the meantime, can I give ALL sponsors and donors this reassurance –**

If you wish to continue to donate via cash or cheque, that is absolutely perfectly fine, we understand that online banking is not for everyone.

It would be very helpful indeed with the efficiency of our administration and book-keeping of this RESTRICTED fund, if you could contact me and let me know your decision so I can update our records.

The Flower Fund bank account will be closed by the end of August but, rest assured, it will still live on within the Church accounting systems as a separate RESTRICTED fund, the content of which will be used solely for the decoration of our Church.

No donations will go in general church funds. I guarantee it.

Any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

#### **INTERESTED IN BECOMING A SPONSOR OR DONOR?**

This can be for a special occasion (Easter, Harvest, Remembrance, Christmas) or a particular anniversary date for a loved one or just a general donation.

Please get in touch with me or Lisa Redshaw – our contact details are at just before the adverts in this church magazine.

Many, many thanks in anticipation...

**Barbara Wood**

**Churchwarden & Treasurer to the Flower Fund**






# Honey Bees Nursery

Achieving Excellence Within the Light of God



 Early Years Foundation Stage Standards for Learning.

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For children aged 3-4yrs.



**OFSTED 2021:**

Children in the early years are curious and show an eagerness to learn.



**OFSTED 2021:**

Leaders promote reading well. Staff teach phonics in a logical order. This supports pupils in key stage 1, and children in the early years, to learn new sounds.

**Please reserve your child's place for September 2022.**

**Limited places available.**

For more information contact us on: **01772 613219** or email [head@hoole.sch.uk](mailto:head@hoole.sch.uk)

**Hoole St Michael CE Primary School**



## Hoole Church Ladies' Group

Our Summer Fete went very well and we are pleased to report that we made in excess of £600 which will be given as donations to worthy causes later in the year. Many thanks to all of you and our friends who have helped in any way.

32 members and friends went on our summer trip to Lytham Hall which took place just after the second heatwave and was a very pleasant afternoon. We were given a guided tour of the Hall by very knowledgeable guides in two separate groups; this was followed by a wonderful Afternoon Tea. We would all like to thank Sheila and Helen for organising this event which was absolutely splendid!



At our next meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, the talk is entitled “Should I go or should I stay?” with Roger Blaxall. All welcome.  
Erika

## **UKRAINE PARTNERSHIP – ALL SAINTS CHURCH, PRESTON**

Through partnership with churches and individuals across the UK and alongside the Government's 'Homes for Ukraine' scheme, members of All Saints Church in Preston have had the opportunity to help some of our brothers and sisters from Ukraine in a very practical way by providing homes and support to a number of Ukrainian refugees since May. Their aim is to continue to finance and care for these people for as long as necessary given the ongoing uncertainty in Ukraine.

At present there are 38 men, women and children being sponsored by the All Saints church family in Preston. Many of those joining them are members of Kharkiv City Church, a church plant which began in 2019, involved in reaching out to those in need in built-up areas in Kharkiv; the majority of their Ukrainian friends joined us having fled Ukraine as the war began in February 2022.

The initial group travelled by car and then by foot from Kharkiv to Romania and then on to Hungary over a couple of weeks. Wonderfully the Lord sustained and protected them as they travelled nearly 2000km to Budapest, all while awaiting visas to enter the UK. Christians throughout Ukraine, Romania and Hungary opened their homes and served them as they travelled.

The All Saints family are so thankful to be able to partner with them now they have arrived in the UK, and to have welcomed others who have arrived from other parts of Ukraine. This support and comfort is still ongoing and if you would like to contribute to the fund, please contact the church treasurer, Ella Biden at [treasurer@allsaintspreston.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@allsaintspreston.org.uk) (if you were able to gift aid your donation that would be even better). If you would like to give a one-off gift the details are as follows:

**Account:** All Saints Preston Parochial Church Council  
**Bank:** Natwest  
**Sort Code:** 01-67-14  
**Account No:** 02884615  
**Reference:** Ukrainian Refugees

## CHRISTIAN AID

### **WATER FOR AFRICA! Autumn Bazaar and Coffee Morning: Saturday, 24th September, 10am-12 noon, St Andrew's Church Hall, Longton**

This year the Coffee Morning will support the Christian Aid water projects to provide boreholes, water pumps, dams and tanks to help to relieve the East African Hunger Crisis. Across East Africa, in Somalia, Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Malawi and Mozambique millions of men, women and children, are facing the threat of famine and death from hunger in the devastating drought, with severe water shortages causing failed harvests and the widespread death of livestock.

There will be a variety of stalls including cakes, plants, books and a Fairtrade stall (with Christmas cards!) and also a raffle, tombola and light refreshments. No charge will be made for admission - but donations will be most welcome.

Further details from Cath Greenlees: 01772 613500



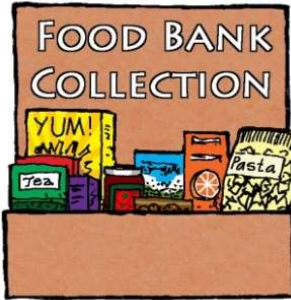
## **St Michael's Flower Group Rota**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Arrangers</u>	<u>Sponsor/s</u>
4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Betty & Maureen	Mrs B Wignall
11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Betty & Maureen	Mrs Sutton
18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Elsie	Mrs B Swarbrick
25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Julie & Elaine	Mrs C Barker
2 <sup>nd</sup> October	All arrangers	Mr & Mrs Penrose and Mr & Mrs Wood
9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Jean & Joan	Mr & Mrs S Taylor
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Lisa, Julie & Elaine	Mrs Lawrence
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Gillian & Lisa	Men's Fellowship and Mrs E Houghton
30 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Betty & Maureen	Mr & Mrs Wignall (Children's Corner)
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Claire	Ms E Reed

## St Michael's Tea/Coffee Rota

21<sup>st</sup> August Alan & Monica  
28<sup>th</sup> Aug Steve & Hilary  
4<sup>th</sup> Sept John & Honey  
11<sup>th</sup> Sept Lynn & Carole  
18<sup>th</sup> Sept Joan & Mike  
25<sup>th</sup> Sept Gill & Nina

2<sup>nd</sup> Oct Alan & Monica  
9<sup>th</sup> Oct Steve & Hilary  
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The dry food contributions made to the local Food Bank by so many of our congregation have been much appreciated and are still very much needed, so please do continue to put items in the wicker basket in the church porch.

Many thanks.

## St James the Least of All

*The Revd Dr Gary Bowness continues his tongue-in-cheek letters from 'Uncle Eustace'...*

### On how to save electricity in church

The Rectory  
St James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

Your church certainly seems to have taken to the idea of green electricity with a vengeance. To have covered the whole of your roof with solar panels was a brave move, and it makes quite a sight – especially when the sun catches them, dazzling motorists on the by-pass and causing multiple pile-ups. I pity the local pigeons, who try to land on it and then do a gentle glissade into the gutters.

I know there have been objections to your proposal to erect a wind turbine in your car park – although no one could claim that it spoils the aesthetic appearance of your church. Nothing, my dear Darren, could do that.





May I humbly offer you some further suggestions for reducing your electricity consumption. If you cut your sermons by half, then everyone could go home 20 minutes earlier. Similarly, if you only sang each chorus once instead of your customary 17 times, that should cut your service times in half. And why have lighting so good that everyone can see everyone else? That is the last thing our own congregation ever want to do.

I raised the issue at our last church council meeting, but having only recently gone on to electricity, there seemed little enthusiasm for yet more change. Major Hastings still fondly remembers our old acetylene plant in the churchyard, destroyed during one Matins when the verger was unaware of the gas leak and lit up a cigarette. We still occasionally find pieces of his cassock when mowing the grass.

Mr Prentice, with a slightly malicious gleam, suggested building a treadmill, to be worked by the Young Farmers – which would also keep them out of the pub while Evensong was taking place. I couldn't help feeling that our Ladies Group would have far more determination to keep the thing rotating – probably providing enough energy to light the entire County. I was tempted to suggest we invite the vicar from our adjoining parish, St Agatha's, to preach every Sunday, as that would fill our church with more than enough hot air.

I finally stopped all further discussion on the subject when a solar panel consultant arrived at the Rectory and began his sales pitch with the phrase: "I've come to convert you".

Your loving uncle  
Eustace

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## Today's Thoughts

The bad news is time flies; the good news is you are the pilot.

*M Altshuler*

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream another dream. *C S Lewis*

Not having the best situation, but seeing the best in your situation is the key to happiness. *Marie Forleo*

Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud. *Maya Angelou*

We are not our best intentions. We are what we do. *Amy*



# **HOOLE PARISH CHURCH – ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS**

**Mission Statement: To Know Christ and Make Him Known**

Church Postcode: PR4 5JQ

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Treasurer: Mrs Barbara Wood – Tel: 07745 208617

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**St Michael’s Men’s Fellowship** – meets 7.30, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, in The Venue, Hoole Village Hall.

Secretary: Post vacant

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

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