

## NOTICES

**St Laurence's Church Stretton: Children's Worker required:** ½ time (20 hours a week) overseeing the children's work of the church & parish and reaching out to families. Details from the Rector, Revd Richard Hill on 01694 722585. Deadline 15th May 2011.

**Church Website** - Recordings of sermons from 24th Oct 2010 till 10th Apr 2011 are now available for download on the new church website at [www.strettonparish.org.uk](http://www.strettonparish.org.uk). Please do make use of them. Many thanks to Barry Taylor for providing all the recordings. - Simon Cleaton

**St. Michael's Church Fellowship:** Tuesday 3rd May at 2.30 pm. John Millham is speaking on "The History of 3 Cities of new Zealand".

**Photographs:** Chris Burtenshaw would like any photographs which might depict a Bible verse.

**Songs of Praise:** June 12th 5pm Rectory Field. Offers of help with refreshments to Sheila Smith please, and help with putting out chairs etc from 4.15pm.

**Coffee:** (the modern equivalent of foot washing!). Please could those who enjoy drinking coffee consider offering to help set up and clear away. Offers to the office please. Also, if you would like to help **lead prayers** or **read the lesson** in any of the services, please contact the Church office on 724224.

Many thanks to all those who helped with the **Easter flowers**.

EXPERIENCE EASTER at St.Michael's, with displays and floral arrangements. On now till after the May Bank Holiday (May 2nd)

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<b>Verger</b>			
<b>Days off</b>	<b>Rector, Friday;</b>		
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>8.30am to 4.00 pm Tues; 8.30am to 12.30pm Thurs; 8.30am-1.00pm Fri</b>		
<b>Verger</b>	<b>8.30am to 1.00 pm Mon, 8.30 am to 5.00 pm Thurs &amp; Fri</b>		
	<b>8.30 am to 5.00 pm alternate Saturdays</b>		

## CONTACT

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*Growing together in  
Faith, Hope & Love;  
Sharing the Good News  
of Jesus with all'*

**Sunday 24th April 2011**

**Readings: St Laurence's:** Acts 10.34-43; John 20.1-18

**Hymns at 9.30 am St. Laurence's:** CP159; WT7; WT29; CP160

**Christ is Risen!  
He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!**

**Sidesmen: Please give an APCM Report Booklet to everyone today.**

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting is to be held on Thursday 28 April at 7.30pm. Please carefully consider nominations for Deanery Synod, PCC and Church Wardens. Nomination forms at the back of the churches. It would be good to have representatives from all 3 churches on the Deanery Synod.

<b>St Laurence's:</b>	8.00	Holy Communion (Trad)	Rector
	9.30	Holy Communion	Nancy Cleaton Rector
	11.05	Special Holy Communion	John Hughes Rector
	6.00	Healing Service	Valerie Morris
<b>St Michael's All Saints</b>	10.30	Holy Communion	Ken Chippindale
	11.00	Holy Communion	Mike Bourke

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**The Memorial Book:** We give thanks for the life of Anita Ruth Bytheway who died 29 April 2001.

**The sick:** We pray for Rosemary Oxberry, David & Helen Hotton, Margaret Carey, Beryl Powell, Sheena Thomas, Pam Williams, Audrey Seager, Jim Reeves, Richard Warren, Joan Davies, Meriel Blake, Ray Edwards, Brian Hazeldine, Veronica Jennings, Adele Grounds and their families and friends. (Names are included only with permission).

There are also a number of people for whom we have been praying long-term who are now listed in Church Matters; please include them in your prayers.

**Members of the church family:**

Adrian Fell, Harry & Rosemary Fell, Malcolm Fewtrell, and Ilse Forster

**Residential Homes:** Field House

**World Mission Intercessions :** This week we are praying for Captain Ralph Upton, our Church Army Mission Partner at the Valley of Hope project in Aberdare, South Wales. Ralph, his wife Carol, and their team support ex-offenders, homeless people, and people with substance misuse problems in searching for the meaning and purpose in their lives, and in finding work and accommodation.

**BORDER PRAYER-ROOM PROJECT** – Do sign-up to join the fortnight of prayer taking place across the Border in May. Church Stretton is linked with Newtown, and our 24hour slot will be from 12midday on Thursday 19th until 12 midday on Friday 20th May. This is to maintain an unbroken chain of prayer for healing, restoration, and the blessings of the Holy Spirit on one another. Our Prayer-Room will take place in the UPPER ROOM in the PC, and the SIGN-UP SHEET will be at the back of the church. For more information refer to April edition of Church Matters, [www.borderprayer.co.uk](http://www.borderprayer.co.uk) , or contact Valerie McCalla: 724688.

**Helpers needed for Tearfund stall.** The Town Council is again organizing a Charities Day in the Square on Saturday May 7<sup>th</sup>. A pitch has been booked for Tearfund, selling crafts and handing out leaflets. If you can help for any length of time, please contact Peter Hammersley, tel 771864.

## DIARY

### TUESDAY 26th

9.30 a.m. Leadership Team in Owen Room  
7.00 p.m.—Bellringing Practice

### WEDNESDAY 27th

8.30 a.m.—Morning Prayer—Owen Room  
3.15 p.m.—Holy Communion—Field House  
7.30 p.m. - Worship Choir—Parish Centre  
7.30 p.m.— Church Prayer Meeting—Owen Room

### THURSDAY 28th

10.00 a.m. Parents & Toddlers—Parish Centre  
11.30 a.m. - Holy Communion — St Laurence's  
5.00 p.m. - Evening Prayer - 10, Kings Court  
7.30 p.m.—Annual Parish Meeting and annual Parochial Church Meeting for the whole parish in St Laurence's Church.

### FRIDAY 29th

8.30 a.m.—Morning Prayer—Owen Room  
9.30 a.m.—Women's Bible Study—Owen Room

### SUNDAY 1st May

<b>St Laurence's:</b>	8.00	Holy Communion (CW)	Nancy Cleaton
	9.30	Holy Communion	Nancy Cleaton
	11.05	Special	All Age Team
<b>St Michael's All Saints</b>	10.30	Morning Worship	John Holden
	3 pm	Evening Prayer	Mike Bourke

**Gifts for Nancy** retiring from the Office and for **Moriel** retiring from being Children's Worker may be made using envelopes and putting their names on. We are very grateful indeed for the contributions of both and shall be making presentations at the AGM on Thursday 28th April (7.30 p.m.)

**BOOKSTALL:** It has been very encouraging to see *sales going up recently*, especially with Joyce Meyer and Tim Keller books. It has been changed again to display fresh items. See Bookstall in South Transept of St. L.'s and Elaine for all book and card needs. Rob Parsons' book "Getting Your Kids through church without them ending up hating God" is available.