

Our Box office will be open this Sunday in St Michael's Centre foyer. You can book tickets for most of our upcoming events! Opening times: 10.05am—10.30am, 12.00pm—12.30pm and 8pm—8.30pm. Just look out for the banner!

Box office is also open in office hours on Tuesdays and Fridays

Payment can be accepted by card, cash or cheque Alternatively you can book your tickets online 24 hours a day stmichaelsbristol.org/smcevents



- 28 September - **Stuart Townend**
£15 (£10 concessions)
- 5 October - **Steve Legg**
£6 (£4 concessions)
- 18 October - **"Left to their own devices"**
£6 (online booking only)
- 26 October - **Riding Lights: GospelSTREET**
£10 (£8 concessions)
- 16 November - **John Archer**
£10 (£8 concessions)
- 23 November - **Honesty Over Silence**
£5 (£4 concessions)
- 15 December - **Comedians and Carols**
£10 (£8 concessions)

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If you're new to St Michael's and would like to receive news and updates via email please head to www.stmichaelsbristol.org/register

For hearing aid users select "T" setting on your device.

10.30am Celebration is an informal service which starts with worship all together for 20 minutes. Then 3-18 year olds go to their various groups, and adults stay in the Auditorium. There is a crèche for 0-3 year olds (head for the foyer and you will be pointed in the right direction).

Auditorium Balcony - For safety reasons, please ensure that children are supervised when using the auditorium balcony and stairs.

Recording of Sunday sermons – hear our Sunday morning & evening sermons on the website.

9am in St Michael's Church	Morning Communion Today's Topic: Life Group Sign-up Sunday Readings: Acts 2:42-47, Matthew 18:19-21 <i>Speaking: Simon Jones</i>
10.30am in St Michael's Centre	Morning Celebration with Communion Today's Topic: Life Group Sign-up Sunday Reading: Acts 2:42-47 <i>Speaking: Simon Jones</i>
6.30pm in St Michael's Centre	Evening Celebration Today's Topic: Reading: Acts 2:42-47 <i>Speaking: Simon Jones</i>

This week at St Michael's

- Wednesday*
Morning Prayer 9.10am— Church
- Friday*
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- Saturday*
Board Games Night 7.30pm - Old School Rooms

Looking Ahead

- 16 September - Life Group Sign-up Sundays
- 19 September - Alpha Taster Session
- 28 September - Stuart Townend Concert
- 29 September - Bristol Male Voice Praise
- 5 October - Steve Legg (Comedy Magician)
- 13 October - Harvest Celebration
- 18 October - "Left to their own devices" (Care for the Family)
- 26 October - Riding Lights Present: GospelSTREET
- 16 November - John Archer (Magician)
- 23 November - Honesty Over Silence (Patrick Regan Event)
- 24 November - Christmas Fair
- 8 December - Carols on the Green
- 15 December - Comedians and Carols

Life Group Sign-Up Sundays

Sunday 9 and 16 September are our Sign-up Sundays! Life groups are the life blood of the church. In a growing church it is vital that we all have a smaller group to be part of where we can bless and be blessed – and life groups are the perfect place. Everyone needs to sign up (even if you are currently in a life group) There are sign-up sheets in the Reception area of St Michael's Centre where there are also flyers. Lifegroup leaders will be available to chat to after each of our services and celebrations.

HASAW Officer

The staff team welcomed Joseph Sander-son into their number this week. Joseph (Joe) is with us for a year on a sponsored work placement and will assist on supporting events, but will give focus to improving the administration and planning of all activities from a Risk Assessment and Health and Safety perspective. We are pleased to have him on board, please support him in his work with both prayer and compliance!

Alpha Taster Session

The next Alpha course starts on 19 September with a taster session. Who could you invite? For more info email Alpha@stmichaelsbristol.org

Harvest Celebration

Only a couple of tickets left! Come and join our St Michael's Harvest Celebration in the Old School Rooms from 7.30pm on Saturday 13 October. All proceeds supporting the Heart of the Community project. Admission by ticket only, price £12, from Penny Hallett Allen (penny@stmichaelsbristol.org), tel 01454 778590 or the church office.

Chilli Plants Sale

This Sunday, Theo Nearney will be selling chilli plants! He's raising funds to enable him to go to the World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia next summer. These chilli plants have been grown by him from seed this year. They are from the South Devon chilli Farm, and are more rare than the usual varieties you can buy elsewhere. He'll be selling them outside the coffee shop and has also produced a recipe sheet which he will be giving away. All monies raised will go towards the cost of this scout camp, which also includes funds donated to scouts who are from the less developed countries of the world.

Old School Rooms Library

Did you know that requests for books at Stoke Gifford Community Library are free. The requests can be made on line at www.LibrariesWest.org.uk or at the community library above the Old School Rooms Coffee Shop at the following times. Library Opening hours: Alternate Tuesdays 2pm to 4pm and Thursdays 9am-11am. Tuesday 11 September, Thursday 20 September, Tuesday 25 September, Thursday 4 October .

Pastoral Listening

A volunteer from the Pastoral Ministry team is available to come alongside, befriend and listen for an hour a day Monday-Saturday. The church office and coffee shop have the availability details for each day (times vary). We'll be wearing a pastoral presence badge and drinking from a blue & white mug saying "Here to Listen" so do look out for us and say 'hello'!

Exploring Singleness

A new one year-programme starting Saturday 29 September, led by Tina Goodwin and Laura Thomas. The aim is to support fellow singles where we are at in life, looking at both the challenges and blessings of being single.

We'll follow a study each month, based on the book "Jesus, Single Like Me". The sessions will run monthly on a Saturday morning in St Michael's Centre. Sign-up is available now, as part of sign-up Sundays, or email Laura@stmichaelsbristol.org

Men's Ministry

Faith Talk 15 September 09.00 -10.00

The next instalment of our ongoing series of talks on men's faith journey. This time Chris Perkins will be talking about his take on this and how we can respond. Bacon sarnies available from 08.30.

Contact Mensministry@stmichaelsbristol.org for more info.

Board Games Night

After the success of our last event in March, we are hosting another one! It's being held in the Old School Rooms on Saturday 15 September from 7.30pm. Tickets are £2.50 per person and includes pudding! Drinks will be BYO. Tickets are available from Becky Hart/Kia Harris, or you can sign up via ChurchSuite. Please can we ask if you are interested that you purchase a ticket prior or let us know as we will need to know numbers to cater for.

There will be a selection of games available but if you have a favourite, please bring it along to avoid disappointment.

Over 65s Afternoon Tea

Our next over 65's Afternoon Tea is on Sunday 7 October from 3.30pm - 5pm in the Old School Rooms. If you would like to come along please sign up via churchsuite or contact the church office!

About to renew home insurance? If you are about to renew your home insurance, do please contact Ecclesiastical Insurance for a quote. As this year is their 130th anniversary, they will donate £130 to St Michael's for every member of the congregation who takes out a new policy with them this year. See the notice board for more details. Or email finance@stmichaelsbristol.org

Men's Friday Night Football

Back, for a new Season.

As part of Men's ministry at St Michael's, we meet and play an attractive game of football for fun in a positive, encouraging and friendly manner. We kick off at 8pm (for one hour) most Fridays up to June 2019.

The Venue is Abbey Wood Community School (outdoor astro turf pitch)

The cost is £3.00, (which is cheaper than any gym membership)

So If you are over 16 (16-18's need adult permission)- no upper age limit and would like to join us for a game of football,

Please contact Andy Greenslade via the church office to be added to the football mailing list!

Mission Partner of the Month

Crisis Centre Ministries

Mission Partner of the Month *Crisis Centre Ministries* is an award-winning charity that has been working in Bristol for over 30 years. The organisation is comprised of four projects and is dedicated to transforming lives through offering food, shelter, hope and support to the most vulnerable and marginalised in our community. Staff and volunteers mostly come from local churches and funding comes primarily from gifts and donations from individuals, churches and trusts who support the work. Please see the information sheet available in the church and auditorium for further details and news.