

## Horticultural Show

Edenfield horticultural society are holding their Autumn Show on September 21st at 2pm in St Paul's Parish Hall. Entry £1. There are various categories if anyone wants to enter, fruit, veg, craft, art. All judged by national judges. Please support this lovely event which is a great boost for the village. Refreshments will be available.

## School Bag Blessing

For all those returning to school this September, we welcome you to bring along your school bag for a blessing on September 1<sup>st</sup>. For all families retuning to the joy of a new term start we pray for a good start and joy filled term.

## Supplementary School Forms

For those looking to have faith forms completed we will be **collecting in Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September**. Please, ensure all forms are together in one envelope with the child's full name on the front, and don't forget to include the baptism certificate. The parents/guardians section/s needs to be completed before we can sign the paperwork. On the outside of the envelope, please indicate which church you would like to collect them from. All forms will be available for collection on the **13<sup>th</sup> of October**.

## Online Banking

Our bank details for direct donations are:

St Paul's	20-72-67	506 706 93
St Michael's	20-72-67	607 141 43
Ashworth St James	07-92-99	673 196 53

You may need to add 'Parochial Church Council' or 'PCC' after the church name for your bank to find and verify the account. Thank you.

## No Cash with you?

All our churches now accept contactless giving, please ask if you need help. Thank you.

**Vicar** - Rev Jason: 01706 631 050

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**Curate** - Rev Kirsten:

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### Wardens

St Paul's Andrew: 07465 970020

Jenny: 01706 358 686

St Michael's Frances: 01706 659 603

St James



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St Paul's Norden,  
St James Ashworth  
& St Michael's Bamford**  
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## Services in September

Wednesdays	10:30am	St Michael's Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 1st</b>	10am	St Paul's Holy Communion
	10am	St Michael's Morning Praise
	1pm	St Michael's Baptism
	3pm	St James' Holy Communion
	6.30pm	St Paul's Evensong
<b>Sunday 8th</b>	10am	St Paul's Morning Praise
	10am	St Michael's Holy Communion
	3pm	St James' <b>Harvest Evensong</b>
	7.30pm	St Michael's BREATHE
<b>Sunday 15th</b>	10am	St Paul's <b>Songs of Praise</b>
	10am	St Michael's Morning Praise
	1pm	St Paul's Baptism
	3pm	St James' Holy Communion
<b>Sunday 22nd</b>	10am	St Paul's <b>Harvest Morning Praise</b>
	10am	St Michael's <b>Harvest Holy Communion</b>
	3pm	St James' Evensong
	7.30pm	St Michael's XHALE
<b>Sunday 29th</b>	10:30am	St Michael's Benefice Service NO SERVICE at St Paul's or St James'

## Baptisms

Please pray for Dexter Atkinson, Evie Conway, Freddie Anslow and Teddy Tweedale who will be welcomed into the church through Holy Baptism this month.

Please take this pew sheet home with you!

## Readings for September

Readers please note:

Some readings may change due to special services for Harvest and Heritage Open Days - please check.

Sunday	1		Psalm 15
Sunday	1	MP	James 1.17-27
Sunday	1	HC	Mark 7.1-8, 14, 15, 21-23
Wednesday	4		Luke 4.38-end
Sunday	8		Psalm 146
Sunday	8	MP	James 2.1-10 [11-13] 14-17
Sunday	8	HC	Mark 7.24-37
Wednesday	11		Luke 6.20-26
Sunday	15		Psalm 116.1-8
Sunday	15	MP	James 3.1-12
Sunday	15	HC	Mark 8.27-38
Wednesday	18		Luke 7.31-35
Sunday	22		Harvest Readings
Sunday	22	MP	1Tim 6:6-10
Sunday	22	HC	Matthew 6:25-33
Wednesday	25		Matthew 13.44-46, 52
Sunday	29		Psalm 103.19-22
Sunday	29	MP	Hebrews 1.5-14
Sunday	29	HC	John 1.47-51

## Craft Club

The next meeting of the Craft Group will be Tuesday 3rd September, 1.30 at St Paul's Parish Hall, all welcome, contact Jean 07443 939343

## Harvest 2024

St James' Harvest Festival will be at 3pm on Sunday 8th September. Harvest Tea will follow in the Parish Hall. Please ring 07413 363799 if you intend to come to the tea, which will help with catering.

St Paul's and St Michael's Harvest Festivals will be at their 10am services on Sunday 22nd September

## Harvest Quiz

The Harvest quiz will be at 7.30pm on September 21st, entry £10 including meat & potato or cheese & onion pie supper. BYO.

Tickets available from St Paul's choir members.

## Heritage Open Days 2024

We're planning a community walk round the benefice on Saturday 14th September, taking in the three churches.

The walk begins at St Paul's at 10am.

On return at about 1.30pm there will be food and drink in the church, and St Michael's school choir are coming to sing for us at 2pm.

On Sunday 15th September we will have a songs of praise, and there will be a performance by Rochdale Light Orchestra (details to be confirmed)

*A message from John Slack, St Paul's organist and choirmaster: If anyone would like to have a really good sing, please join us for the Songs of praise, we will practice anything that may need to be perfected on Wednesday evening (11th, in church) at 7.30 and then the service will be utterly memorable for everyone.*

Also we'd like help with donations toward the food and support on the weekend to organise and serve the food as well as welcome and hospitality - if you can give a hand with this, please speak to any churchwarden.

## New Craft Club

Beginning this September at St Michael's there will be a bring and share craft club on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 2 - 4 pm.

All are welcome to bring their craft along and share in a good conversation, a cuppa and plenty of biscuits. Do you make cards, knit, crochet, paint or something else? Would you like to do this with other crafty minded people? Would you like to share your craft with others or be inspired to learn a new craft? This is the place to be.

## Tea & Cakes

Tea and Cakes is in St Paul's Parish Hall at 2pm on Thursday 5th September. Then on second Thursday 12th September will be a Holy Communion service.

Everyone is very welcome to join us at these events, so if you know anyone who might like to come please invite them and bring them along. Alternatively speak to Jenny Short (St Paul's) or Sue Palmer (St Michael's).

Transport can be arranged if required, just let us know.

## Pies, Pies, Pies

St Michael's Pie lunch, October 13<sup>th</sup>. 12:30. Details to follow, tickets are a must!