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## 24TH MAY 2026, PENTECOST

Galatians 4:1-7; 5:22-25 (p.1171, 1172)

- 8:30am Christ Church Holy Communion (BCP)
- 10:30am St Michael's Pentecost Celebration with Emmanuel Pensby
- 5:30pm St Michael's Evening Prayer
- 10:30am St Michael's *Midweek Communion (Weds. 27th May)*

## Welcome to Christ Church & St Michael's

A warm welcome to our services today, we're glad to see you. We are a church family of everyday people, of all ages, sharing life as we follow Jesus and discover together the difference he makes in the present and for the future. Our aim is that Christ Church and St Michael's feel like a home from home, a church family where everyone finds a welcome. If you are visiting for the first time please note audio/visual assistance, crèche facilities and toilets can be accessed at all of our services, refreshments are served afterwards, if you can stay we'd be delighted to meet you. There's a lot going on, both on Sundays and throughout the week, some of our activities are listed overleaf, you can find out more by picking up one of our term cards or visiting our website: [www.barnston.info](http://www.barnston.info)



In our engagement with the letter to the Philippians we have encountered the Apostle Paul's ambition for the church, that they live in the 'way of Christ' to the 'Day of Christ.' One with Christ by faith, and therefore united together in him, they were to demonstrate their bonds in a functional and faithful unity, standing firm and shining out as one. Critical to this was following a new pattern, adopting the mindset of Christ, who stooped low to lift his people high, who chose not to grasp but to give. This challenge is not merely external command, the Holy Spirit, given that Pentecost Day, works in the heart, not only that we might receive Christ, but to equip and enable us to bear the fruit of Christ-like character. As he works in, so together we're urged to work out, keeping 'in step with the Spirit' in lives of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, etc., displaying his workmanship, to his glory and our good.

# CHURCH FAMILY NEWS



## Welcome

A warm welcome to our brothers and sisters from Emmanuel Pensby, joining us as we celebrate Pentecost and express the 'unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.'

## Little Tugs

Our toddler group is closed for half term this week, resuming Mon. 1st June 9:30-11:30am St Michael's, for craft, play, story time, etc.

## Healing Service

Rev. David Trollope will be leading a healing service on Sunday 31st May, 5:30pm at St. Michael's, an opportunity to receive prayer and to reflect together on our life and hope, all welcome, followed by refreshments.

## Discipleship Explored

Discipleship Explored continues on Monday 1st June, 1:30pm in Christ Church hall, and Thursday 4th June 7:30pm at St Michael's. Featuring documentary-style films and real-life stories from around the world, this course is designed to help us discover the joy, unity, righteousness and love which are ours in Christ. All welcome.

## Funeral Notice

The funeral of Barbara Samples will be held Tuesday 2nd June, 1:00pm at St Michael's, followed by the committal at Landican and refreshments at The Shippons, Irby.

## Prayer Meeting

We meet together to pray for our nation and the mission of the parish on Tuesday 2nd June, 7:30pm at St Michael's. Refreshments from 7:15pm. Being dependent in prayer is one of our core values as a church, do join us if you're able as we bring our petitions to our generous Father from whom every good gift comes. There's no pressure to pray aloud, you will be most welcome.

## Philippians

Our sermon series is available to listen to on our website, if you'd like to explore Philippians

further, a 30 day devotional 'Press toward the goal' by Kay Mumford is available from 10ofThose.com, or 'In all things' by Melissa Kruger from Amazon or other sellers.

## Lost property

We have an accumulation of spectacles in lost property at Christ Church. If you're a pair missing, please check as soon as you're able, unclaimed glasses will be donated to charity at the end of the month.

## Mission Partnership

This week we pray for Christina Green and her work with Christians Against Poverty, Wirral. For further information contact our partnership representative Eric Huggett.

## Remembering

We remember family and friends mourning Nora Ashton, Jeff Chapman, James Vickers, Barbara Samples, George Gardner.

## What's in a name?

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our recent enquiry regarding the change of name. Inevitably a range of opinion was expressed, with much support for the idea, however, the PCC is united in recognising a. the number of responses was insufficient to give clear representation, and b. the logistics of implementing any change are beyond our resources at present, therefore we will not be proceeding further. We will take every opportunity to emphasise our unity, one parish, one church, two locations. For interest, we can confirm that the legal name is Christ Church rather than Christ's Church, as has appeared on occasion, (we do however believe we are Christ's church!)

## Diary Date

We will be holding a 'Church day at home' on Saturday 10th October at St Michael's, enjoying a morning of teaching and vision, followed by lunch and a free afternoon to enjoy Wirral's attractions together, before sharing fellowship over a Harvest Supper.