

Welcome to our Churches

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Sunday 31st May 2026

Services In Our Churches This Sunday

- MA Holy Communion at All Saints, 10am. Clare Owen will be speaking.
- *No service at St John's.*

Link for Sunday's service: <https://mickleoveranglicans.org.uk/you-tube-services/>

Collect

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, and for ever. Amen.

This Sunday's Reading

2 Corinthians 13: 11 to end
Matthew 28 16 to end

Next Sunday's Reading

Romans 4: 13 to end
Matthew 9: 9-13, 18 - 26

Midweek Services and Groups

- Mondays: **St John's Internet Café** – 10am – 12pm in St John's Link.
- Tuesdays: **Prayers** 8am at the Vicarage.
- Wednesdays: **Holy Communion** 9.30am at All Saints.
- Wednesdays: **All Saints Café** 10am – 12pm in the Centre.
- Thursdays: **CTiM Bible Study** 10.30am at St John's Link. (2nd + 4th Thur of month)
- Fridays: **St John's Rest Stop Café** 10am – 12pm in the Link.

Pentecost – Acts 2: 1 – 21, John 20: 19 - 23

Imagine sitting in an upper room with your fellow disciples...waiting.

The events since the trauma of the Crucifixion still fresh on your mind. Jesus's several appearances have confirmed the fact that their leader is still very alive and active. They've been instructed to go to Jerusalem and wait for Jesus to send the Holy Spirit to them, to be with them as their helper and counsellor. This is some fifty days after the Crucifixion, and will empower them to boldly spread the Gospel, uniting all believers, and marks the birth of the Christian Church.

Jesus promised that He would leave his helper to be with his followers forever, so as to reassure them, as they saw him leave to return to His Father at the Ascension.

The gift of the Holy Spirit was to the disciples, and through time to all of his followers today, received at our time of Baptism.

The rushing wind symbolises the invisible, life giving, and powerful presence of God which stirred up the early church.

The tongues of fire represents God's holiness, and the purification of the disciples. It signifies that they were ignited with passion, and courage to preach.

The speaking in tongues is the fascinating gift.... Not only in other languages, but that everyone in Jerusalem, no matter what country they were from, could understand what was being said! God poured out His spirit upon all flesh. Sons and daughters prophesied. Young men would see visions, and old men, dream dreams. Even slaves both men and women, he poured His spirit upon, that they might prophesy.

God reverses the action He placed upon all people in Genesis 11v1-9. The people were building a tower to reach heaven. Their common language enabled them to make great progress, but none gave credit to God for equipping them. In his anger, God intervened and jumbled up language according to where people came from. No longer could people understand each other, and the Tower of Babel became symbolic of man's false pride, and its consequences of failure.

At Pentecost God temporarily lifted His punishment so that once again, everyone understood each other, so that Gods power and authority could be revealed.

Symbolically this enabled the removal of language barriers, that all might hear, and believe. Thus began a universal mission.

The people from Nazareth were not thought to be very intelligent, but here they were, understood by all the visitors from other nations! Is AI to be the new Babel today?

Peter enlightens everyone that this Gods work, and not the effects of too much wine! The Holy Spirit activates our inner gifts, and fruits of the spirit including love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. He equips us to be His representatives today. To be bold and courageous.

Take a few moments to consider what God has gifted you already, both with spiritual gifts, but also with individual talents and abilities. An ability or talent used to give glory to God by benefitting others. Sometimes we have more than one gift given and can take a lifetime to be revealed.

Let us pray that with the zest and fire from the Holy Spirit we may boldly witness to Gods constant and generous love.

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Notices

Benefice Picnic – Following the MA service at All Saints on May 31st at 12.30pm we are having a picnic lunch. Bring your own food, we'll supply the teas/coffees etc. Weather dependent it will be held in the Centre or part of the car park, or both.

Tuesday Morning Prayer - At St John's again this week 2nd June.

CTiM Prayer Walk – Thursday 4th June at 10.15am. Meeting at the Honeycomb car park Ladybank Rd. We will walk for about an hour in the Silverhill area, praying God's blessing upon the people and businesses in this area, and listening to God's Holy Spirit as we go. If you are unable to walk but willing to pray, join with others at St John's. If you plan to join us, please let me know by email ray_lee16@yahoo.co.uk, or phone or text to 07766927539

June Threefold Magazine – is now available at the back of church and on our website. If you have anything you would like to include in the July magazine, please send it to threefold@mickleoveranglicans.org.uk or give it to Rebekah, Richard or James.

Derbyshire Community Male Voice Choir Concert – at St Andrew’s Church on Friday 5th June at 7.30pm. Tickets are £12 on the door or purchased in advance from Diana on 07854809690 or rosediana1947@gmail.com or from Rebekah in the office. Refreshments will be served and all funds raised will be in aid of St Andrew’s Church.

Strawberry Tea with Trev’s Trio – Sunday 7th June at St John’s Church Hall 2pm- 4pm. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon listening to a selection of swing-based music, chatting to friends (old and new) and eating a splendid strawberry-based tea! Tickets £10, please book in advance so we can sort seating and catering appropriately. Contact Richard on 01332 493939 or email events-stjohns@mickleoveranglicans.org.uk

Pot-Pourri Words & Music Concert – Saturday 13th June, 2pm at All Saints. Please see separate letter for more information. Tickets £6 on the door.

Men's Breakfast - The next church men's breakfast will be on Saturday, 13th June. Please see Mike Shooter if you are interested in joining us.

Mickleover Fete - This year's Fete is on Saturday 27th June. We need help to erect, staff and dismantle our gazebo. Please see Mike Shooter if you can help in any way.

Thank You – for the lovely gift and card you gave to me, it was very kind of you. Also, to all who have supported me over the years. Without you, there would be no flowers in church at St John’s. Thank you again, *Eunice*.

Christian Aid - Thank you everyone from St John's who contributed to Christian Aid. £92 was given in envelopes, £74.55 donations from Rest Stop Cafe, and £100 was added from St John's Charitable Giving. Christian Aid can claim £13.75 gift aid, making a total of £280.30. Thank you to everyone from All Saints, £99 has been given to Christian Aid.

Thank You - It has been a privilege to have served as a Churchwarden from 2020 to 2026. Thank you to everyone who has helped and supported me over the years. Special thanks to Lindsay for her support. Ian Nicklin.

Sunday Afternoon’s in the Link – Games, chat and refreshments every third Sunday of the month and St John’s from 2 – 4pm.

Maker’s Market – Saturday 15th August 10am – 3pm at All Saints Church. Join us for our first ever Maker’s Market with various stalls with hand crafted goods. If you would like a stall, please contact Karen on 07927183325.