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Order Of Service 9th July 2023

Leader: Christine Morgan

Welcome and Notices Hymn : Jesus stand among us at the meeting of our lives Prayer of Approach Psalm 145. (read responsively) Young people leave for their activities Prayers of Adoration, Confession and Thanksgiving Reading: Matthew 11.16-19,25-30 Hymn: Speak, O Lord, as we come to you Sermon: Wisdom and rest Hymn : As the deer pants for the water Prayers of intercession and The Lord's Prayer Young people return and share Hymn: Be thou my vision Sending Prayer Blessing Grace Coffee

Notices

Coffee Rota – updated notice

As we are now having coffee every week after the service, we could really do with just a couple more people to go on the rota for coffee. There is no obligation to supply cakes, we can just serve biscuits. If you could help with this please let Sarah know.

Church Finances

We do not take a collection during the service but a Response Box is on the Information Table, should you wish to make a donation to the work of our Church. Alternatively, you could sign a Standing Order form committing to regular monthly giving, which allows our Treasurer (Ben) to monitor the church finances more closely. Please do speak with Ben if you wish to make arrangements for this.

New Rector

The Revd Gareth Morley has been appointed as the next Rector of Easthampstead. The service of institution and induction will be held on **Thursday 24th August at 7pm**, at the Parish Church. All are welcome.

Notices From The Parish:

School Admissions

To make the system fair and transparent, those wishing to apply to St Michael's or Ranelagh church schools on church attendance criteria will be asked to sign a register at the back of church each time they attend (even if they have a sibling at the school). To make sure that all new signees understand the admissions criteria we ask that you email the parish office to make an appointment.

Please note: Please go to the relevant school website for the latest admissions policy.

Ranelagh amended Admissions Policy from 2024. https://www.ranelagh.bonitas.org.uk/admissions-policy/ St Michaels new policy https://www.stmichaelseasthampstead.com/admissions/

Reading

Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-30

16 "To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others:

17 "'We played the pipe for you,

and you did not dance;

we sang a dirge,

and you did not mourn.'

18 For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' 19 The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' But wisdom is proved right by her deeds."

The Father Revealed in the Son

25 At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. 26 Yes, Father, for this is what you were pleased to do.

27 "All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."