

Church @ The Pines

THE CHURCH @ THE PINES NEWSLETTER



ORDER OF SERVICE

Leader: Rev'd Gareth Morley

Welcome and Notices

Quiet Time

Opening Prayer

Hymn: Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise

Welcoming prayer and response

The Collect

Reading: Ephesians 4: 25 – 5:2

Hymn: The God of love my shepherd is

Reading: John 6: 35, 41-51

Sermon

Hymn: Put peace into other's hands

Prayers of intercession, Road Prayer, Lord's Prayer

The Peace

Hymn: I the Lord of sea and sky

Communion

Hymn: O for a thousand tongues to sing

Blessing and Dismissal, followed by The Grace

Coffee

The YouTube link to view the live stream on Sunday is:

<https://youtube.com/live/Pfxl4e6AqHY?feature=share>



PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

God of love, We pray for your Spirit of peace to move in our communities, that those who are targets of hate might be safe and that people of good will might work together in love and respect. We pray for your Spirit of healing, that those who grieve, might be comforted and those who are injured might be made well.

We pray for your Spirit of hope, that those who despair might see a way ahead and those who live in fear might find sanctuary and freedom. Soften the hearts of those motivated by hate and help us all to love our neighbours as those made in your image. In Christ's name. Amen

This week we pray for all those living in Madingley. May they know your presence, feel your love and listen to your wisdom in their lives. Amen.

NOTICES

Church Finances

We do not take a collection during the service but a Response Box (for cash) and a contactless machine (for cards) 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.

Circuit Picnic – save the date!

The annual circuit picnic will once again be on the field behind the Pines. The picnic will be held on Saturday 21st September, in the afternoon. We start with a small act of worship, followed by picnic and games. It's a great opportunity to come together. Do save the date!

Raising money for Breast Cancer Charity

Jeannie and Linda are holding a drop-in afternoon bake sale to raise money for charity.

When: Wednesday 21st August

Time: 2-4.30pm

Where: 3 Silvanus

Please bring cakes/biscuits, friends, family, neighbours – all are welcome!

NOTICES FROM ST MICHAEL'S

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](#)

[St Michaels](#)

Ranelagh information event –important notice for families with children

Monday 9th September, open for refreshments from 3.15pm, start 4pm.

If you are intending to apply for Ranelagh at some point over the next 3-4 years please try to attend, it is hoped that the Head of Ranelagh will join us. From the 1st October 24 we will be introducing a new way of recording your attendance, details will be given during this event.

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION

We will be running preparation classes starting in September. They will be on **Thursdays at 8pm** in the **Annexe of the Church**.

5th September

19th September

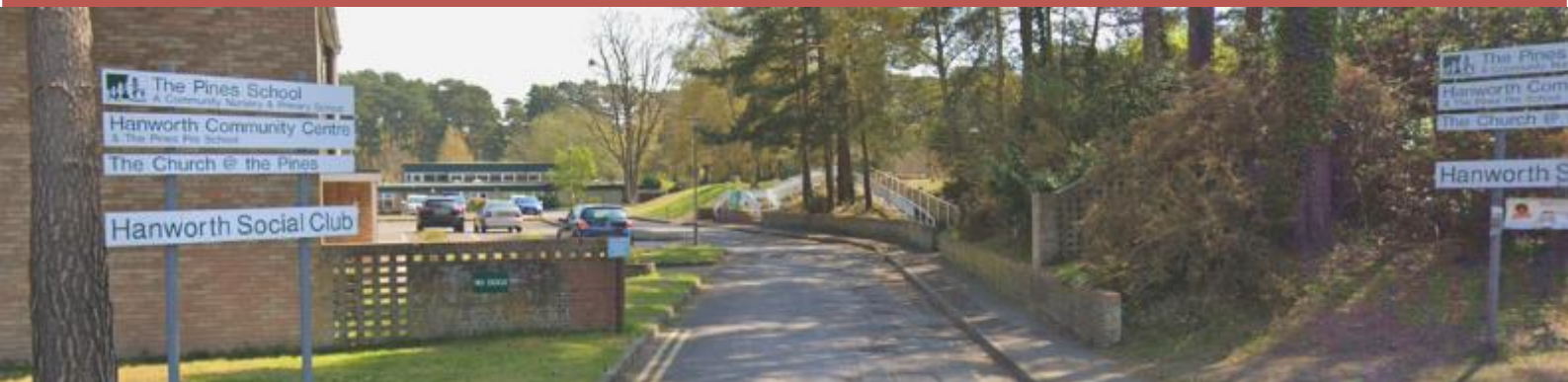
3rd October

17th October

The view is that we will then be baptising candidates on All Saints Day which we will be celebrating on the 3rd November.

Do please email the parish office if you would like to attend. There is no commitment you have to make to be baptised/confirmed. This is four sessions to introduce/reintroduce you to the Christian faith.

In the interim please do take a look at our Faith Development page on our website (<https://www.stmichaelseasthampstead.org.uk/faith-development>) as this is what we will be covering in the sessions.



READINGS

Ephesians 4: 25 – 5:2

25 Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbour, for we are all members of one body. 26 'In your anger do not sin'[a]: do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, 27 and do not give the devil a foothold. 28 Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.

29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. 32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. 5 1 Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children 2 and live a life of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

John 6: 35, 41-51

35 Then Jesus declared, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

41 At this the Jews there began to grumble about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 42 They said, 'Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I came down from heaven"?''

43 'Stop grumbling among yourselves,' Jesus answered. 44 'No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them, and I will raise them up at the last day. 45 It is written in the Prophets: "They will all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard the Father and learned from him comes to me.

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READINGS cont...

46 No one has seen the Father except the one who is from God; only he has seen the Father. 47 Very truly I tell you, the one who believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. 50 But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die. 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live for ever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.'