

Sunday 14 June 2026: 2nd Sunday after Trinity

St Michael's– Southam Readings: New Ambition -Philippians 3: (10-21)

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9.30am Holy Communion - St Michael's Church

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10.00am Morning Praise – Gotherington Old Chapel

11.15am Contemporary Worship - St Michael's Church

Next Thursday Morning Communion at St Michael's Church: 18 June at 10.45 am



Teddy Bear Parachute Jump from St Michael's Church Tower Sunday 14 June 2026

Is your teddy bear brave enough to jump? Enter your teddy into the annual teddy bear parachute jump from St Michael's Church Tower, at Bishop's Cleeve Street Fair. Registration is £1 on Sunday 14 June between 1 & 2 pm at the church entrance. 3pm will see the launch of the teddies, prizes for best jump, parachute and mishap!

If you can help serve teas/coffees at this event, please contact Annie Nixon anne.nixson@btinternet.com or Fee Hall feehall@ymail.com. **Sign up sheets are at the back of the church if you can spare some time to help or bake some treats.**



Church on the Hill-Celebrating its 5th Year Sunday 21 June 1pm

Can you believe it's been five years? Born out of the challenges of the Covid pandemic, **Church on the Hill** has grown from a safe way to gather into a deeply loved part of how we worship God together in creation. To celebrate this wonderful milestone, we are throwing a big picnic—and **everyone** across our communities is invited! Whether you're a regular walker or have never been before, we would love for you to join us. Sunday 21st June, 1pm

We will meet at Cleeve Hill Golf Club and take only a few steps to a suitable picnic location. Please bring your own picnic, chairs and blanket. Note that parking at the golf club carpark is £2 but you can reclaim that with an ice cream or cuppa! In the event of bad weather, we will meet at St Michael's Church for an indoor picnic, do check out Facebook or the Church on the Hill Whatsapp group for updates.

If you would like to ask any questions, please don't hesitate to email Lucy on lucy@barbour.co or call on 07821 580995



Worship Band Night -Monday 29 June - 7.30pm.

Any musicians or singers who are interested in potentially serving in the worship music team at 11.15am services are very welcome to come to St Michael's for a "jamming" evening - playing music and learning some worship songs together. Speak to Ben if you have questions or want a further discussion

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Jungle Explorers Holiday Club – Bookings Now OPEN!

Get ready for an unforgettable summer adventure! Our **Jungle Explorers Holiday Club** is now open for bookings – and we'd love your children to join us!

Dates: 11th, 12th & 13th August

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm

You can book your child in for **one, two, or all three days** using the link or QR code below.

Who's it for?

Children going into **School Years 1–6 (September 2026)**

What's included?

- Lunch provided each day
- Exciting Bible stories
- Fun-packed games
- Creative crafts
- And... our *infamous leaders' gunge!* 😊



Booking Details:

- £5 **refundable deposit per child** (paid at booking)
- Deposit will be returned when your child attends their **first day**

Spaces are limited, so don't miss out – book soon to secure your place!

It's going to be a brilliant few days of fun, friendship, and jungle adventure!

Booking link <https://tinyurl.com/JungleExplorers>

Thanks Lucy Betts

Request- Chest Freezer

Does anyone have a small chest freezer we could borrow for Holiday Club week (9th – 14th August?) If you are able to help, please could you contact Lucy Betts. Thank you.

Friday Night Youth Club – Next Session Friday 12 June

Gotherington Old Chapel 7pm to 8.30pm

Our youth group meets every other Friday during term time it is open to young people in years 7-13.

Each session is packed with fun activities, including games, engaging discussions, and plenty of time to hang out over a hot chocolate and snacks. We aim to support and inspire young people, empowering them in their faith and personal life.

Future session dates: Friday 26 June Friday 10 July and Sunday 19 July

Is your child in Year 6? Would they like to come and try out our sessions this term.

If so, please scan the QR code and complete the form.



WHAT'S ON?

Bereavement Support Group

Saturday 13 June 10.30am – St Michael's Centre Bishop's Cleeve

We meet monthly on the second Saturday of the month 10.30-12noon in St Michael's Centre. An opportunity to meet with others who have been bereaved for a coffee/tea and chat-come and stay for as long as you wish.

Mission Sunday – 5 July 2026

St Michael's Church 9.30am and 11.15am

On 5 July at our 9.30 am service and Café Church we will be celebrating Mission Sunday.

There will be a cake sale between the two services to raise money for our Mission Partners – please bring cash.

If you are able to provide cake for the sale please let Lucy Barbour know: lucy@barbour.co or call on 07821 580995

Save the Date – Rectory BBQ – Sunday 26 July

The Rectory BBQ will take place as Sunday 26 July. We look forward to seeing as many people as possible. Further information will be sent nearer the time.

If you no longer wish to receive Weekly News, please email admin@stmichaelsbishopsclleeve.co.uk

Save the Date – Thursday 17 September 2026 7.30pm

2026 is a very significant year for John and Maggie Sharpe. Over this Easter weekend they are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary and then in September they celebrate 50 years of Ordained Ministry.

Please put Thursday 17th September at 7.30pm in your diaries, for a drinks reception at St Michael's to thank them and celebrate them!!

Connect Chatter – Every Friday-Community Hall 1 (next to Bishops Cleeve Library)

Every Friday 11am to 1pm – free entry – no sign up needed.

For anyone feeling lonely, bereaved (including pet loss), overwhelmed as a carer.

Please contact John Barton: 07500 003680 or for more information.

NOTICES

A reminder – Sunday 14 June 2026

This Sunday is Bishops Cleeve Street Fair, which means that Church Road will be closed, please find alternative parking – if you park in front of church you won't be able to move your car for the rest of the day.

Vacancy - Recruiting: School Chaplain Connector

We are delighted to announce that we are recruiting a new part-time School Chaplain to serve within Cleeve School and the wider local community. Could this be a job for you or someone you know? Closing date: 12 June 2026 <https://www.stmichaelsbishopsclleeve.co.uk/vacancy>

Do you have keys to St Michael's church that you no longer use?

If anyone is in possession of keys to the church that you no longer use, could you please drop them off to the church office. This will save us from paying to get other keys cut.

Church Diary

A general and gentle reminder – If you want to book any of our Churches, before committing, please contact the Office to ensure that there is availability. Thank you

Church telephone number

Please note that the landline number 01242 673612 is no longer in operation.

Please use **07354 874617** instead. We are aware that in some spaces online the landline is still appearing, we are in the process of trying to change this. You can find our contact details on our website: <https://www.stmichaelsbishopsclleeve.co.uk/contact> or by scanning the QR code.



Watch Sermons on YouTube

Watch our Sunday sermons on our YouTube channel. Please do have a look and feel free to share with others. If you Subscribe to the website (which is free) you will receive a notification when a new video is uploaded.

Visit the channel here: <https://youtu.be/RjbH3bo5jb8>

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Would You Like to Volunteer?

If you would like to volunteer for a good cause, for as much or as little time as you have available please contact St Michael's Church Office where we can give you further information on the current volunteer need within the benefice. Please email: admin@stmichael'sbishopsclleeve.co.uk or telephone **07354 874617**

OUR MISSION PARTNERS - NEWS

Food Bank-Request for Donations

Food Bank would like to send out a plea for donations as stocks are running very low.

We know how difficult things are for everyone at the moment, and we really appreciate your generosity as regards donations for the food bank.

However, due to demand of this service our stocks are running considerably low. There are some shopping lists at the back of the church of items that are required. So, if you would like to donate it would be very much appreciated. You can drop off donations at the Church Office and in the porch of St Michael's.

Thank you Gill Donovan Outlet Lead and Trustee.

Mission Partners

At St Michael's, we have three Mission Partners with which we have strong ties. Our three Mission Partners are: **North Cotswold Foodbank, Grassroots Rwanda and Mission Macedonia.**

For more information visit: <https://www.stmichaelsbishopsleeve.co.uk/world-mission>

UPCOMING TRAINING COURSE FROM THE DIOCESE OF GLOUCESTER

For the latest training courses on offer from the Diocese of Gloucester [Please Click Here for Information.](#)

ECO-CHURCH- JUNE

Terra-cycling-Please Note:

Tea & coffee scheme ended; Only Pringles tubes with metal bases are accepted now (the fully cardboard tubes and the plastic lid can now go in kerbside recycling and the seal in waste.) Cake and biscuit wrappers are still okay. Terra cycling boxes are available in the office and in church every week. See the lists attached for acceptable items. Please contact Ro by email at ro.hunt60@gmail.com to arrange collection.

Our Energy Saving Tip This Month- Watering of Plants

To save both energy and water, the most critical step is **timing your watering correctly**. The absolute best time to water plants is **early in the morning**. This allows the soil to absorb moisture when temperatures are cooler, drastically reducing loss to evaporation and giving plants a deep reserve before the heat of the day.

FROM BISHOP'S CLEEVE METHODIST CHURCH

To find out **What's On** at Bishop's Cleeve Methodist Church, please follow the link: https://www.methodist-bishopsleeve.co.uk/page_2275125.html

Sunday:	Worship at 10.30am followed by refreshments.
Monday:	Meeting for Prayer at 12.45 pm. Meet Up Monday 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm.
Tuesday:	Prayer and Bible Study at 7.45 pm on alternate Tuesdays
Wednesday:	Communion Service with other churches at 9.00 am. Fellowship Group with a speaker at 2.00 pm on alternate Wednesdays.
Thursday:	Film Club at 2.00 pm on the first Thursday of each month. Bible Study at 2.00 pm on the second and fourth Thursday of each month.
Saturday:	Coffee mornings 10am - 12 noon as announced.

Keep up to date with church news, diary dates and more on our website.

www.stmichaelsbishopsleeve.co.uk

Service times: stmichaelsbishopsleeve.co.uk/worship-services

Safeguarding: stmichaelsbishopsleeve.co.uk/safeguarding

Church Office: stmichaelsbishopsleeve.co.uk/contact

Donate: [Bishop's Cleeve - Parish Giving Scheme](#)

[Southam - Parish Giving Scheme](#)

[WGO - Parish Giving Scheme Or ring 03330021260](#)

Watch Sermons: youtube.com/@StMichaelsBishopsCleeveChurchOffice

Different
ways to pray
at St
Michael's



Telephone Number and Opening Times

07354 874617 Kate for all enquiries including weddings. Monday to Friday

07871 602525 Tracy for enquiries relating to funerals, baptisms and DBS. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Church Office Opening Times: Monday – Thursday 10am – 2pm

Friday: Kate sometimes works from home, please ring to check before coming to the office

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