



St. Michael's Church Galleywood Newsletter, March 2017

"Jesus, teach us all to love"

Thank you to Alison Griffiths for producing our weekly noticesheet - items for which should be sent to her, by the end of Wednesday, on alisong@blueyonder.co.uk. In addition to the noticesheet, the PCC and Ministry Leadership Team recently suggested that we should have a periodic newsletter. Items for the newsletter should be sent to Amy Baptiste at amz_wilson@hotmail.co.uk.

CONCERTS



Our "older youth" (aged 15-18) were responsible for a concert at the end of January. Hattie Briggs sang mellow

folk-influenced songs of her own composition, and all profits went to the 1000 Hills Community Helpers, near Durban in South Africa, whom some of our youth spent time with last summer.

Then on March 11 we welcomed Hebron, a three-person gospel ensemble with Jewish melodies. The crowd enjoyed the music and were led to reflect on God's love for his chosen people.

For Helen Shapiro (pictured) it was not her first time at St Michael's - she sang here thirty years ago!.



INTERFAITH GATHERING

Gemma and Andy had the pleasure of joining with Moslem, Jewish and Hindu believers for a conversation about "prophets". Andy was slightly taken aback when the first question he was asked after giving his presentation was "what is truth?".

MESSY CHURCH

At our last Messy Church we shared pancakes and thought about getting ready for testing times, and we said a sad goodbye to Jodi and Tilly, who have been such a big part of Messy Church at Galleywood and are moving to the Netherlands. The good news is that they've already located a Messy Church in Amsterdam!

POT LUCK MEAL

The Pot Luck Supper at Martin and Vryan's was a great success. Representatives of all generations joined together to share a meal and got to know each other a little bit better. We are all looking forward to the next get together when hopefully it will be warm enough to spread out into the garden! Thanks to everyone who came and brought a delicious dish to share.



PAMPER EVENING



Amy Baptiste writes: "Us ladies enjoyed the pamper evening. It was a wonderful opportunity to

spend time together and take a step back from busy lives to enjoy some reflexology and manicures. Jess even decorated some of our arms with henna!"

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP



GOOD THING I FOUND YOU GIDEON ... IT SEEMS SOMEONE HAS BEEN HIDING ALL YOUR BIBLES IN HOTEL ROOMS

For their March meeting, Wednesday Fellowship welcomed a representative of the Gideons, who place Bibles in

hotels, hospitals, prisons and care homes.

OFSTED



We are very proud of St Michael's School for achieving a rating of "Good" in their recent Ofsted inspection. It's

only one syllable, but it represents so much hard work from staff, students, governors, and the whole community!