

ORDER OF SERVICE

Leader: Rev'd Gareth Morley

Welcome, Notices, Quiet Time

Hymn: Crown him with many crowns

Welcoming prayer and response

The Collect

Young people leave for Sunday School

Reading: Acts 1.15-17,21-26 Hymn: Ye Servants of God

Gospel Reading: John 17:6-19

Sermon

Hymn: Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Prayers of intercession, Road Prayer, Lord's Prayer

The Peace

Hymn: God is here

Young people return and share

Communion

Hymn: Christ triumphant, ever reigning

Blessing and Dismissal

The Grace

The YouTube link to view the live stream on Sunday is: https://youtube.com/live/RXHI9V42FHg?feature=share



PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

We pray for all the young people in our community who are taking exams, submitting coursework and completing practical assessments, be their guide and their comfort. When we are in times of doubt and worry, you provide us with the courage to ask for help, so we may look after ourselves.

We pray for Jeannie who is currently receiving treatment in hospital. We pray she receives excellent care and for a smooth recovery.

We pray for Beth and Ben's friend, Simon (Tink), that he is able to raise funds for treatment, living costs and adaptations needed.

This week we pray for all those living in Inchwood, may they know your peace and love in their lives.

NOTICES

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. We have also recently introduced a card reader so that people can make donations with their card via contactless payment.

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.

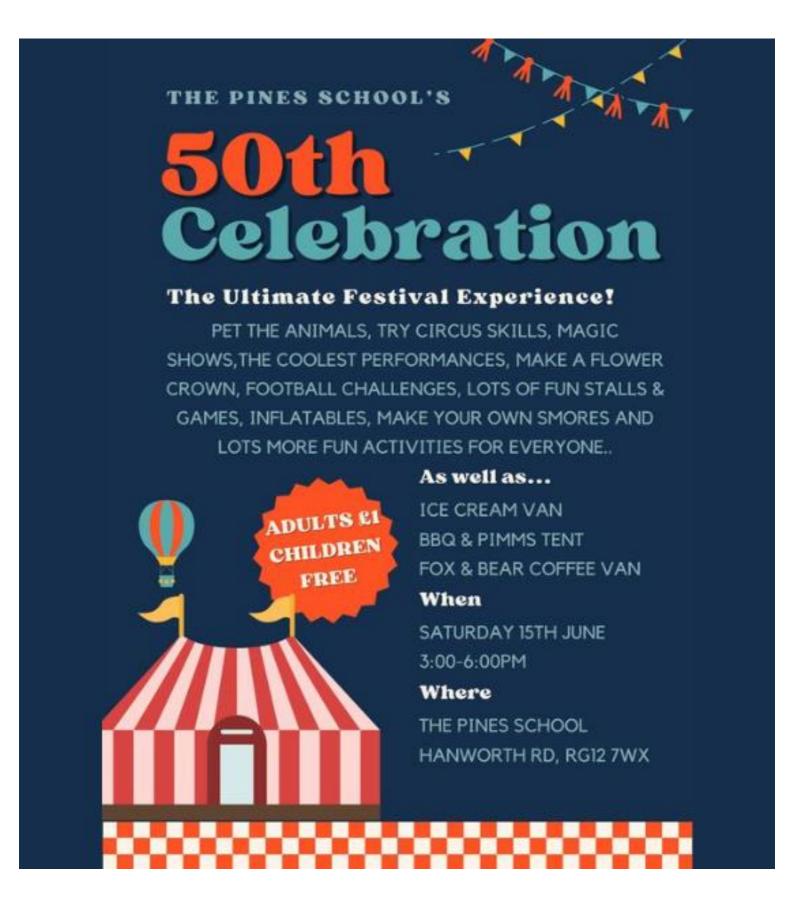
3Generate, 4-6 October, NEC, Birmingham

We will be taking a group of young people to this weekend. Sarah sent an email asking parents to please confirm if their young person will be joining. Please respond by this Sunday or confirm with Sarah in Church on Sunday.

The Circuit have agreed to contribute £100 for each young person wishing to attend, which will make weekend tickets much more affordable (about £20).

Watch the <u>video here</u> and any questions please reach out to Sarah via email or text.

The school are inviting people to help them celebrate 50 years! It would be lovely if lots of us can attend this event to show our support.



Sponsored Walk in aid of 'Action for Children'

Date: Saturday 1st June

Time: 10am

Meet: Virginia Water, meet at the main car park

Bring: A packed lunch

This is an annual event and a group is gathered from around the Circuit. It's a very enjoyable 4-5 mile walk.

Sponsorship forms will be available from the Welcome Table on Sunday.

Could you be on the next rota?

Sarah will shortly be doing the rota for June to August and we'd love to add more people to it. We are currently in need of extra people to lead or help with Sunday School. Please speak with Sarah if you could help, there's lots of online resources to help with planning so it needn't feel too daunting a task. With a team of us, it means being on the rota for one Sunday a month or less. Of course, we would also welcome more volunteers for the other roles too – welcoming, readings and prayers of intercession, tech desk, setting up and distributing communion, tea, coffee and refreshments.

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



READINGS

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26

15 In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty) 16 and said, 'Brothers and sisters, the Scripture had to be fulfilled in which the Holy Spirit spoke long ago through David concerning Judas, who served as guide for those who arrested Jesus. 17 He was one of our number and shared in our ministry.'

21 Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us, 22 beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection.'

23 So they nominated two men: Joseph called Barsabbas (also known as Justus) and Matthias. 24 Then they prayed, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which of these two you have chosen 25 to take over this apostolic ministry, which Judas left to go where he belongs.' 26 Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles.

John 17: 6-19

Jesus prays for his disciples

6 'I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. 7 Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. 8 For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. 9 I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. 10 All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. 11 I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. 12 While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled.

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13 'I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. 14 I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. 15 My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. 16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. 17 Sanctify them by[d] the truth; your word is truth. 18 As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. 19 For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified.