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## ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS CHURCH

# NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2019

#### A FEBRUARY THOUGHT:

February brings us crisp cold days, frost, ice and maybe snow.

Some days you feel like snuggling down and hibernating in the warmth of your home. · · What do many do on a snuggling down day? Well many turn on Netflix, or Sky box sets or get out the film DVDs to spend a few hours watching movies. · · Wouldn't it be great if we could control our lives · · like we control our TVs? Perhaps we would skip 'through the rough bits, rewind to the good times, we could press pause when we have important decisions to make, giving us time to consider and hear from God. Perhaps some of us would like a stop button for when we find ourselves on the . . wrong path in life. Maybe most of all we need God · · to press play in our lives, to help us fully grasp this amazing life we have been given and the opportunities it offers.

. Think about what God wishes to do with the movie of your life.

#### **PRAYER**

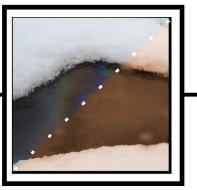
Heavenly Father, where we have been paused or stopped in our journeys to greatness; please press play.

#### Amen

#### BROWNIES AND BOYS' BRIGADE

We have a Brownie Pack connected to the church; if anyone 'would like further information about this group, please see Donella.

.The Boys' Brigade Company, also connected to the church, . meets in the Community Centre across the road. Please see Ian for more details.



#### **VOLUNTEERS FOR WILD GOOSE CAFE**

. Please let us know if you would like to join our team of volunteers helping out at the Wild Goose Cafe.

#### MONTHLY SOCIAL EVENING

We have started a monthly social evening in church. These will typically be on a Friday near the end of the month, more details will follow each month. We have some initial ideas of what these events will include however any other ideas will be gratefully received and appreciated.

Let's see if we can have some fun in 2019!!

#### BIBLE AND FELLOWSHIP **CLASS**

The weekly Bible and Fellowship class is now on a Thursday, at St Francis Church.

Please ask if you would like any further details.

#### RECIPE OF THE MONTH: QUICK ORANGE AND LEMON CHICKEN

Cooking time: 10 to 30 mins

#### Ingredients

For the chicken: 450g/1lb boneless chicken breasts, skinned, cut into 2.5cm/lin cubes, 2 tsp light soy sauce, 1 tsp Shaoxing rice wine (or dry sherry), 1 tsp cornflour, 1 tsp groundnut (peanut) oil, 1 tsp salt

freshly ground white pepper, 2 tbsp finely chopped orange zest, 1 tbsp finely chopped lemon zest, 2 tsp sesame oil, 3 tbsp finely chopped fresh coriander. For the rice: enough long-grain rice to fill a measuring jug to 400ml/14fl oz level. For the greens: 1 tbsp groundnut or peanut oil, 3 garlic cloves, finely sliced, 2 tsp salt, 750g/1½lb Chinese greens, such as choi sum or bok choi

#### Method

Combine the cubed chicken with the soy sauce, rice wine (or dry sherry) and cornflour in a small bowl. Put the mixture in the fridge for about 15 minutes.

•For the rice, put the rice into a heavy pan with 600ml/21 fl oz water. The general rule of thumb is that • the water should come up above the level of the rice by about 2.5cm/1in, or the top part of the thumb! · Bring the water to the boil and cook until most of the surface liquid has evaporated - this should take ' about 15 minutes. The surface of the rice should have small indentations like a pitted crater.

At this point, cover the pan with a very tight-fitting lid, turn the heat as low as possible and let the rice cook undisturbed for 15 minutes. There is no need to 'fluff' the rice, let it rest for five minutes before serving it.

Stir-fry the mixture for four minutes, or until the chicken is cooked. Stir in the sesame oil and give the mixture two turns and cook for another three minutes. Finally add the coriander and continue to stir-fry for another minute. Turn onto a platter and serve at once.

For the greens, heat a wok or large frying-pan over high heat until it is hot. Add the oil, and, when it • is very hot and slightly smoking, add the garlic and salt. Stir-fry the mixture for 15 seconds. Quickly Our Annual General Meeting will be held on March Charlie + Jake jazz evening 22nd March 2019 add the Chinese greens. Stir-fry for 3-4 minutes, or until the greens have wilted, but are still slightly

Serve the chicken with the Chinese greens and rice.

Please let us know if you have any recipe ideas you would like included .

#### RECENT EVENTS

. We have recently held our first monthly social evening, this was a very fun and well attended games . night. This was a really good time where everyone brought their favourite games and taught them to

We also had a joint social with St Francis which was enjoyed by all who attended. There was also a bring and share lunch in celebration of Sally and John's birthdays, please see their

#### A NOTE OF THANKS

A message from Sally and John. To all our friends at St Michael's. A huge thank you for the amazing lunch you put on to celebrate our special birthdays we had absolutely no idea that was going to happen. Also for the fantastic gift you gave us. We will look forward to enjoying that experience in the next few months. It is our pleasure and our joy to belong to such a loving and caring community that exists at St Michael's. With all our love

Sally and John

#### WINDOW WANDERLAND

Later this month, the streets of Windmill Hill and Victoria Park will once again be lit up for our Window Wanderland event.

Local households will create wonderful window displays, turning the neighbourhood into a free outdoor art gallery and bringing hundreds of people to the hill over three evenings of a winter weekend

Last year we had over 70 window displays. This year we want it to be bigger, better and brighter than ever, so please get involved! Your display can be as simple or as creative as you like anything goes!

The event takes place on Friday 22nd, Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th February from 6-9pm.

To sign up and add your window go to: Window Wanderland: Windmill Hill & Vic Park 

#### ELECTORAL ROLL

If you are currently on the Electoral Roll of St Michael and All Angels, or you wish to join it, you will need to complete a form. Forms will be available at the back of church from the first Sunday in February. The forms need to be in by the third Sunday in February.

#### THIS YEAR

With a new year having begun and our AGM coming up next month we are revisiting the suggestions. we made last year and revising the details to start implementing these. As we receive the details we To finish the chicken, heat a wok until it is very hot and then add the oil. When the oil is very hot and will let you know. However our current plans include are to improve our pastoral care and how we slightly smoking, add the chicken to the wok, together with the salt, pepper and orange and lemon \_ help and contact people, changing our logo. We are also looking at how we can engage with people. outside of our services as well as inviting them to come.

> In connection with this, please can you fill in the questionnaire for the social and fundraising committee. Thank you.

#### **AGM**

24<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with our morning service.

This is really important to the church, so please try to attend this. Thank you.

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Fools on the Hill do ABBA evening 26th April 2019

More details to follow.

#### **DATES FOR YOUR** DIARY: FEBRUARY

SUNDAY 03rd Service taken by Sally Tooze LLM

SUNDAY 10th Service taken by Rev

Andrew Doarks SUNDAY 17th

Service taken by Andrew Josham LLM

SUNDAY 24h Service taken by Sally Tooze LLM

