



# 3rd October 2021

## Welcome to SMB

We are a church looking to follow Christ's call to  
'Be Holy and Be a Blessing'

Welcome to St Mary Bredin (SMB) and a special welcome if this is your first visit. We hope you enjoy your time with us and quickly feel at home here. We are a church looking to follow Christ's call to 'Be Holy and Be a Blessing' and we love welcoming others into the church family to join us on that journey. We would love to say hello to you personally, so do please come and introduce yourselves to a member of the staff or a member of the welcome team. At the Welcome Point you can find out about life here at SMB and fill in a Welcome Card so we can send you more information about how you can feel fully part of the church. I really look forward to getting to know you.

God Bless, Barney

### Today at SMB

**10:30am // Blessed are the Meek**

(with Holy Communion)

with Children's Church and Younger Youth

**Reading:** Psalm 37: 1-11 **Speaker:** Nina Coulthard

(LiveStreamed on the SMB YouTube channel)

**6:30pm // Disciples making disciples**

**Reading:** 1 Corinthians 4: 14-21 **Speaker:** Charmaine Muir

### This week

**Monday** Bumblebees Baby & Toddler Group (10:00am to 11:30am)

**Tuesday** Café Lumen (3:30pm to 6:00pm)  
followed by Older Youth (6:30pm to 8:00pm)

**Thursday** Student Night (7:15pm)

**Saturday** Men's Prayer Breakfast (7:15pm to 9:00am)

## Ministry Letter from Megan, our Youth Pastor

Dear Church Family,

We are Week 2 into Café Lumen! Thank you for all your prayers and support for the café; it is such a pleasure to see God move with the young people.

This past week we had twenty three young people come through the door and at least six of those were new, and we are not done yet...! Our SMB young people have been great in setting the atmosphere as a fun, safe place to be as well as setting the high scores in our record challenges.

In our space we have lots of fun activities from three different consoles, air hockey, pool table, ping pong table, foosball table and a craft zone - where this week we got a little messy with melted chocolate! For those wanting to get their homework done we even have a nice quiet space set aside. Also, we can't forget our lovely kitchen volunteer team who make an amazing milkshake and toastie. 10 / 10 stars for them!

As always the volunteer team have been amazing at encouraging the young people and making the café a safe space to be, so if you would like to join the team just let us know because there is no better place to be on a Tuesday 3:30pm-6:00pm!

I do have one request: if you have any books (suitable for teenagers) that you no longer need, please can you donate them to our reading nook for all our quiet kids.

Once again a huge thank you to all those of you who have prayed for the youth café; do continue to pray and hopefully there'll be more exciting updates to come!

Many Blessings,

Megan

## Mission Partner Prayers

The mission partners for October are Lisa & Orlando Muerasse - Mozambique

Please pray for: good health and wellbeing for Lisa, Orlando, Nehemiah & Nahaliel; more team members to join the ministry; circumstances to change so that they can travel to the UK at Christmas for a much needed break.

## Events & Notices

### **Student Lunches // Sunday**

If you're a student do come and join us for home cooked food in The Link after the Morning Service this Sunday. Great food, and great company! No need to book, just turn up.

### **The TAP Social // Today**

The TAP group is having a social evening today. More details have been shared on their Facebook page; meet in The Link after the Evening Service if you're attending. The Tap is for those in their 20s and 30s (post-student years).

### **Bumblebees - Baby and Toddler Group // Mondays**

**10am - 11:30am**

This started again last Monday. For more information go to [smb.org.uk/bumblebees](http://smb.org.uk/bumblebees)

### **Café Lumen & Older Youth // Tuesdays**

Our new Youth Café runs from 3:15pm to 6:00pm every week during Term Time. Older Youth is held after Café Lumen, from 6:30pm to 8pm. For more information go to [smb.org.uk/youth](http://smb.org.uk/youth)

### **Student Alpha // Thursday 7th**

**October** Our Student Alpha will be running every week, starting this coming Thursday. For further details go to [smb.org.uk/students](http://smb.org.uk/students) to sign up.

### **The TAP Teaching Event— Being a Christian in the work- place // Saturday 13th October**

**at 7:30pm** More details will be shared on the Facebook page, as well as on our website. To sign up go to [smb.org.uk/thetap](http://smb.org.uk/thetap) The Tap is for those in their 20s and 30s (post-student years).

### **Mini School of Discipleship // Saturday 13th November**

Please note that the date of this mini school has changed, and it will now be held on Saturday 13th November (Timings to be confirmed). Peter Ould will explore with us the book of Deuteronomy. We'll look at where it fits in the Bible, when and whom it was written by, what it contains and how it is full of allusions to the future work of Christ. To book [www.smb.org.uk/schoolofdiscipleship](http://www.smb.org.uk/schoolofdiscipleship) or if you have a MyChurchsuite log in go to My Events and look for it on the calendar.

**Table Tennis Table //** We have a table tennis table available if anyone would like it (and can collect it). It does need a little work doing to it. If you're interested please get in touch with the Office Team.

### **Ashburnham // 21-23 January**

**2022** We'll be sharing more information soon about our church weekend away soon! For those of you who are booked to come, please check your emails as final payments are due this month.

## Children

**At 10:30am**

**Scramblers:** Pre-schoolers  
In Upper Room

**Climbers:** YrR - Yr 2  
In The Lounge

**Explorers:** Yr 3 - Yr6  
In Kendall Hall

**Adventurers:** Children with Additional  
Educational Needs  
(online & in Rhodes Room in Kendall Hall)

## Youth

**At 10:30am**

**Younger Youth:** Yr 7 - 9  
In the Mezz

Parents—please bring Children and Younger Youth into the service with you so we are together at the start of each service for a time of prayer and sung worship. If you are new to SMB, or if you would like to know about provision for Older Youth (Years 11-13) contact Mim or Megan for more information.

## Giving at SMB

We believe that God calls us to tithe to our local place of worship as part of our discipleship and worship. We can only continue to fulfil God's calling on us as we, His church, continue to tithe and give as God calls us. The best way to give is by standing order and, if you're a taxpayer, to ensure that you gift-aid your donation. More information at [smb.org.uk/finance](http://smb.org.uk/finance)

## Get Connected

Our Fellowship Groups are central to our life and fellowship as a church and we hope that every member of SMB is a member of a Fellowship Group.

This is one of the best ways to get to know others as well as serving in teams and using our gifts. Please phone or email the office for a form which we can send by email or in the post.

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