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ST MICHAELS GFC CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER

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2025 BEHIND US, 2026 ON THE WAY

As we wind down 2025 and look ahead to Christmas and the new year, we will take a look back at 2025. On the field of play, at adult level, in the league and Championship, in both senior and junior, we struggled in the face of injuries and travel in particular. We have got a few players up from under age to bolster the numbers and in 2026 we will be looking positively ahead. Pat Doyle , Martin Crummey and Dave O'Connell have stepped away from their roles with the seniors, we wish them well in and thank them for everything they done for St Michaels. They all know that you can never leave us, they just step aside for something else in time. A new management team is almost in place, and we will have updates on that soon. At underage level, under the guidance of Eamon Kiely, Shane Moynihan is our newly appointed GDO, and with Roy Downey heading up the under-age academy role, with admins PJ O Mara and Kieran Nagle, and huge help from Colm Crowley and a huge army of selectors and coaches, we can already see a steady growth in numbers to a very healthy level. Sunday morning training is a sea of excitement. The inaugural Frank Barry tournament was a huge success, both in terms of honouring Frankie and how the day went. We showcased all that is good about our club on that day. The amount of help and support we received to make it such a great day was a credit to everyone. The ladies club as always, were on hand to help make it such a special day. The table quiz was back, and was a huge success, with great craic on the night. Last years table guiz committee don't know it yet, but they have been unanimously voted back in for 2026. Looking ahead, we have recently announced our plans for the 4g development, a very exciting and significant venture for St Michaels and we will shortly announce our plans around that. We also have plans for a brand new, updated, state of the art website that will also be mobile friendly and easy to navigate. We have a new App, and have a WhatsApp group just for St Michaels news (contact Mossy to be added) As we get deeper into 2026, and we get closer to the one club model in 2027, we can look forward to both the men's and ladies' sections embracing that model. Sadly, we lost a great friend and clubmate in Trevor Barry in early October , and, like his brothers before him, he will leave a sad void in our club and more importantly, his family. We will honour Trevor's memory in time, and we won't forget the contribution he made to our club. We would also like to take time to remember others who passed in 2025. We want to thank all those who sponsored us throughout '25 and have always been there for us, irrespective of results on the pitch. Without the continued support of our sponsors, and indeed our members and supporters who contribute through various fundraisers we just could not survive.

Wishing everyone a very happy Christmas....



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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN



As we approach the festive season, I want to take this opportunity to wish all club members, players, football management teams, and club committee members a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

Thank you All for your ongoing support and for your unwavering and resounding belief in St Michaels Gaelic Football Club. By our actions, we are collectively crafting a shared vision and we are working towards an ambitious club culture focused on player welfare and performance.

I hope to see you at our AGM in January where we will address some key strategic projects to be implemented throughout 2026. Likewise, don't forget the Anthony Jackson memorial sevens competition on St Stephens Day. Again, wishing you and your families a very peaceful, healthy and enjoyable Christmas.

Brendan
Chairperson
St Michaels Gaelic Football Club





2026 FOR ST MICHAELS















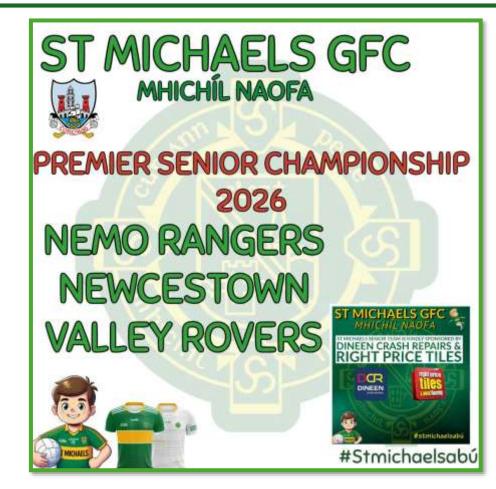


PREMIER SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP 2026

















THE DRAW WAS MADE FOR NEXT YEARS PREMIER SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.
WE FACE NEMO, NEWCESTOWN AND VALLEY ROVERS. AS EVER, WE CAN LOOK
FORWARD TO THE LONG BUILD UP, VIA LEAGUE MATCHES AND CHALLENGE
MATCHES, BEFORE OUR FIRST MATCH TOWARDS THE END OF SUMMER.
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ST MICHAELS BOYS & GIRLS, ROCKIES BOYS & ROCKIES CAMOGIE XMAS PARTY 2025













A FANTASTIC COUPLE OF HOURS SPENT WITH SANTA AT BLACKROCK HURLING CLUB LAST SUNDAY. SOME PICTURES OF THE BIG CROWD IN ATTENDANCE, A GREAT DAY WAS HAD BY ALL, WELL DONE TO EVERYONE WHO ORGANISED AND TO JOHN O'BRIEN FOR THE PIC'S

































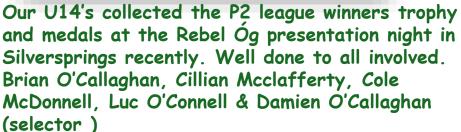














Great session for the 2012/2013's recently which was led by some of our Seniors. Thanks to Sean Keating, Dan Meaney, Conor Hanley and Eoin De Burca who put the lads through their paces... excellent stuff lads

GOLF CLASSIC 2025

Our Joint venture Golf Classic with Blackrock Hurling Club was a huge success, with well over 100 teams participating. Thanks to all who supported and particularly the hard-working Golf Classic committee.



ST STEPHENS DAY SEVENS

It's that time again , the Sevens ... St Stephen's Day ... the young fellas who know it all , the auld fellas who've seen it all .. the auld and cranky fellas who want to change the rules every year , the fellas who get insulted if they get picked on the auld fellas team thinking they're still young fellas , so they turn up late and try and pick their own team We have a league of Ireland star to referee , he can bring the same whistle this year because he never used it last year ...Connie has a new hip so he'll be able to keep up with the play this time ...fellas are coming back from Oz , NY , London , Kuwait, Dubai , Dublin , Carrigaline...it's all for charity , it'll be good fun and we will have refreshments after ...



Last Person Standing

Tickets now on sale. €10 entry with €500 to the winner (kindly sponsored by The Maple Leaf)

You can pay in cash or IBAN or Revolut Mossy and WhatsApp your selections. It starts Jan 24th, get your tickets now.







The magnificent Kevin Sinfield chose Pairc Mhichil Naofa as a stop off point recently in his mammoth 7 in 7 ultra marathon challenge. Donncha O'Callaghan of Munster fame joined him also.

CONGRATS

To Sile & Andrew on their recent engagement

BRIDIES ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING FUNDRAISER







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REBELS BOUNTY 2025

Thanks to everyone who supported us in 2025 by buying tickets for the Rebels Bounty. Winners were hard to come by, so hopefully, we might land a big winner next year. Once we reach our quota of sales, of every sale thereafter, 100% goes to St Michaels, so your continued support is very much appreciated













Exciting announcement for St Michaels.

Planning has been approved for our 4G development. This is huge for St Michaels. We are catering for the future of our great club. Thanks to all those who have got this project to this day. #Stmichaelsabú









COME PLAY FOOTBALL



OUR UNDERAGE SECTION IS KINDLY SPONSORED BY CASTLE CAFE







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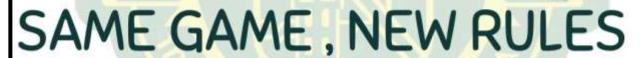
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UNDERAGE ACADEMY

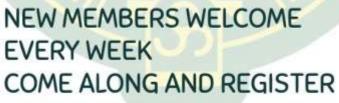
EVERY SUNDAY





MORE FUN





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Our fabulous 2018 group who hosted Nemo in a blitz recently. Well done to all the lads. Some fantastic performances from all the boys #Stmichaelsabú





3 lads Daniel
Cremin, Max
Goold and
William
Downey
represented
St. Michaels
with Rebel Óg
recently.









ST MICHAELS LGFC 2026 COMMITTEE



St Michaels Incoming Committee



Chairperson - Margaret Flaherty

Vice chair - Derek Gosnell

Secretary - Allan Russell

Registrar - Meabh O Connell

Childrens Officer - Ciara Bogue

Treasurer - Denis Cronin

Players Rep - Ciara Kavanagh

PRO - Patrick Toye/ Ciara Bogue

Committee members - Paul Thornhill.

Brendan Quinn, Lorraine Sammon,

David Koller, Sean Holland









MUNSTER & ALL IRELAND MEDAL WINNERS



NEW MEMBERS WELCOME EVERY WEEK COME ALONG AND JOIN IN THE FUN

























CLUB LOTTO





CLICK THE LOTTO LINK BELOW TO BUY YOUR TICKET. 3 FOR €5. AUTO RENEW TO NEVER MISS A DRAW

https://t.co/6YJueHl70X

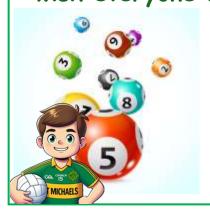
YOU CAN ALSO SCAN THE QR CODE TO ENTER







Our last Club Lotto draw of 2025 has produced a winner !! Congrats to Gerry Mayo C/O The Welcome Inn. We also had a draw of 6 × €50 Supervalu vouchers. We would like to thank all those who supported the Lotto draw for so long and want to wish everyone a very happy Christmas. Our next Lotto Draw will be Jan. 6th.



A special thanks to our fantastic lotto team who give up their time every week to keep this vital fundraiser going. Notley, Banjo, Alan Delaney, Mairead O'Sullivan, Jill Barry, Lisa Downey, Ger Hegarty, Roy Downey, Ian O'Driscoll & Eve O'Callaghan.

TICKETS CAN ALSO BE PURCHASED AT THE **BELOW LOCATIONS**

THE LEAPING SALMON

THE MAPLE LEAF

THE BLACKROCK INN



ST MICHAELS 2025





