



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK
9TH APRIL 2017. THE 6TH SUNDAY OF LENT
PALM SUNDAY

WELCOME!

A very warm welcome to St Michael's – especially if you are with us for the first time. Please do stay behind after the 9.30 or 11.15 services for tea/coffee and a chat. If you receive Communion at your own church, you are invited to do so here or, if you would prefer, you are welcome to come forward for a blessing.

Large print books and a loop system are available.

This leaflet gives details of readings, services and other events in the near future – please take it home with you to read and then use as a reference for the coming days.

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

President & Preacher The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
Reader Hilary Atkin

9.20 am BLESSING OF PALMS AT THE BARBICAN

9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST

President The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Parents with babies and very small children are most welcome to take them to the Children's Corner (at the back of church) at any time. For older children, Junior Church is in the Parish Room.



INTROIT HYMN 161 Ride on, ride on in majesty!

1ST READING Isaiah 50.4-9a **Reader:** Catherine Hughes
(Page 691 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)

Isaiah pictures a faithful servant of God who is deeply and unjustly humiliated, but remains dignified in suffering. As we contemplate the mystery of the cross, these words take on a profound meaning for us in the Passion of Jesus.

2ND READING Philippians 2.5-11 **Reader:** Richard Dale
(Page 194 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

It is our faith that 'Jesus Christ is Lord', because he came from God in total self-giving, and overcame the humiliation of death on a cross by rising and ascending. He is indeed worthy of our adoration and worship.

GRADUAL 163 There's a man riding in on a donkey

THE GOSPEL	THE PASSION ACCORDING TO MATTHEW
SERMON	The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
PRAYERS	The Rev'd Julia Myles
OFFERTORY HYMN	147 My song is love unknown (Omit * verses)
COMMUNION HYMN	118 Drop, drop, slow tears
CLOSING HYMN	588 And can it be that I should gain

11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP

Leader Emma Mavin

11.15 am HOLY COMMUNION AT DENWICK

President The Rev'd Colin Perkins



6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)

Readings: Isaiah 5;1-7
(Page 644 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)
 Matthew 21;33-end.
(Page 22 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

Reader: Patricia Kind

Office The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Preacher The Rev'd Colin Perkins

Hymns 724 Loving Shepherd of thy sheep
 Psalm 80 *(Page 449 of the small Prayer Book)*
 156 We sing the praise of him who died
 140 All ye who seek for sure relief
 181 O sacred head, surrounded

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

That, in some small way, we may carry Christ this Holy Week
 All who are anxious or distressed
 Those who have lost their faith
 Visitors to Alwick – especially those who seek out St. Michael's
 The ongoing unrest in Syria

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

**ALL DETAILS IN 'MY HOLY WEEK COMPANION'
PLEASE TAKE A COPY AND USE DURING THE WEEK.**

Mon 10 th April	1.00 pm	Funeral of Frank Williams
Wed 12 th April	2.00 pm	Mothers' Union in church: <i>Canon Paul Scott – Holy Week</i>
Fri 14 th April	12 noon	Christians Together in Alnwick – Service in the Market Place

Next Sunday

16th April Easter Day

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Acts 10; 34-43 Col 3; 1-4 John 20; 11-18	CW 164 CW 166 CW 167
9.30 am	Blessing of Easter Garden & Parish Eucharist	<i>Readings as for 8.00 am service</i>	
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong (BCP, 1662)	Sing of Solomon 3; 2-5 & 8; 6-7 John 20; 11-18	

Please take home with you a copy of **MY HOLY WEEK COMPANION**. In it you will find a short reflection on the meaning of this most important week, details of all our services and a moving prayer which you may like to use each day.

On the evening of **MAUNDY THURSDAY** we will, as usual, commemorate Christ's washing of the Disciples' feet. If you would like to take part in this moving part of the service please sign up on the sheet at the back of church.

Tickets (£8.00) are now available for our **LUXURY AFTERNOON TEA** to be held in the Parish Hall at 3.30pm on the afternoon of Easter Day. Please get yours from Pat Taylor as soon as possible. We look forward to another splendid occasion.



Contributions towards the cost of **EASTER FLOWERS** would be gratefully received: please see Ann Brown or Enid Brown. Offers of **GREENERY** from your gardens would also be appreciated anytime from Monday.

PLEASE NOTE that the craft evening planned for 12th April is now cancelled.

VISIT TO HEXHAM ABBEY. As part of our preparation for the heritage activities based around the historic graffiti on the Tower Roof our PCC is visiting the Abbey **on Tuesday May 9th**. We will have two short talks about their education work and their heritage preservation and presentation, midday Eucharist, lunch in the Wilfrid room and time to look around their heritage

exhibitions & even a bit of shopping! We will travel in cars at 8.30 am and leave Hexham at 2.30pm approx. Cost £10 to include lunch and drinks and travel. There will be some extra spaces so if you are interested in getting involved with such activities at St Michael's please do speak to/email Julia and come along.

Our thanks to all who helped with Friday's **BIG CLEAN**. It is amazing what a difference can be made when a group of willing hands work happily together!

What a splendid occasion the **NORTUMBRIA SINFIONETTA CONCERT** last Saturday evening proved to be! So many people have commented on how much they enjoyed the programme and we are very grateful to Bryan Jackson for masterminding the whole event. We hope that such occasions can become a regular feature in the social calendar of St. Michael's. The wonderful added bonus was that an amazing £1,018.75 was raised for church funds! Thanks to all involved and all who supported.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Tue 11 th & Wed 12 th April	10am-12noon	
 <small>Investing in Young People In and around Alnwick Inspiring Faith • Releasing Potential • Empowering Action</small>	FUN EASTER ACTIVITIES FOR SCHOOL YEARS 5-8 Alnwick Methodist Church Cooking, craft & more! £1 subs per young person a session (includes a drink and a snack) More info: Claire Mead, Youth & Schools Worker 07525 74828, contagious.alnwick@gmail.com	
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Sun 16 th April	3.30 pm	Luxury Afternoon Tea in the Parish Hall
Sat 22 nd April	2.00pm	Wedding of Paul Thomas & Dionne Ashton
Sun 23 rd April	4.00 pm	Easter Vestry & Annual Parochial Church Meeting in the Parish Hall
Mon 24 th April	2.00 pm	Pastoral Visitors meeting at the Vicarage
Tues 25 th April	9.30 am	Gateway planning meeting
Fri 28 th April	1.00 pm	Wedding of Mark Tate & Abigail Whitehead
Tues 2 nd May	1.00 pm	Wedding of Richard Hill & Emma Snaith
Tues 9 th May	8.30 am	PCC (and others) visit to Hexham Abbey. DO JOIN US!

If you are a UK taxpayer, St Michael's can benefit to the tune of 25p for each £1.00 donated by Gift Aid. Please use the brown envelopes which you will find at the end of each pew. Thank you.

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