



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK

3RD JULY 2016 THE FEAST OF ST THOMAS, APOSTLE

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 am service 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.

TODAY'S READINGS

1ST READING

Habakkuk 2:1-4

at 8.00 am only

(Page 886 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)

Thomas, after our Lord's resurrection, had to wait a week before he saw the risen Christ. This prophet speaks of watching and waiting for the Lord in confidence and faithfulness.

2ND READING

Ephesians 2:19-22

Reader

Emilia Grimes

(Page 190 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

Paul writes to people who had not seen Jesus as his immediate disciples did, and assures them that by their faith they too are embraced in the kingdom building.

THE GOSPEL

John 20:24-29

The friends of Jesus, men and women, hid together in misery and fear when Jesus had died. But on that wonderful Sunday they suddenly knew his very real presence with them. However, one friend missed all the excitement.

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

President

The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Preacher

The Rev'd Jane Scott

Reader:

Rob Wilson

9.30 am FIRST SUNDAY EUCHARIST *(with children and young people in church)*

President

The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Talk

The Rev'd Jane Scott

Hymns

197 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord

604 Brother, sister, let me serve you

617 Come, sing the praise of Jesus

661 Holy, holy, holy is the Lord
 510 Will you come and follow me
 3.00 pm BAPTISM PICNIC IN CHURCH

6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)

Readings: Job 42:1-6 (*p. 23 of the Old Testament in the pew bible*)
 1 Peter 1: 3-12 (*p. 38 of the New Testament in the pew bible*)
 Reader: Val Hawker
 Office: The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
 Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
 Hymns 809 Thou art the Way: by thee alone
 Psalm 139 (*Page 525 of the small Prayer Book*)
 813 Through the night of doubt and sorrow
 303 How bright these glorious spirits shine
 236 Breathe on me, Breath of God

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tues 5th **Open House** at the home of Canon Penny Horseman, Amble. Coffee served from 10:00am, followed by lunch at midday. All welcome, raising funds for Mothers' Union projects.

Wed 6th 10.15 am **Holy Communion with the Vultures class from St Michael's 1st School**
 12.15 pm Funeral of John (Jack) Robinson

Thurs 7th 9.15 am **Mini Michaels are at St Michael's C of E 1st School**
 We shall meet in the small grass area with play equipment from 9.15 am. Please bring a blanket and your own snacks!

Sat 9th 11.00 am – 1.00 pm Messy Church in the Parish Hall
 12 noon Wedding of Adam Smith and Jane Haddon
 3.30 pm Prayer for Alwicks, in the Cottage Annex. 20a Bondgate Within

Next Sunday: 10th July The 7th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 10)

8.00 am Holy Communion Deuteronomy 30:9-14 (CW 987)
 Colossians 1:1-14 (CW 988)
 Luke 10:25-37 (CW 988)

9.30 am Parish Eucharist *Readings as for 8.00 am Communion*

11.15 am Late Morning Worship

11.15 am Matins at Denwick

2.00 pm Holy Baptism

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

**That , like Thomas, we may know Jesus and follow him
All being married at this time
The tragic consequences of the Istanbul bombings
St Michael's School as the end of a school year approaches
Jean and Cath, our Churchwardens**

St Michael's always enjoys welcoming couples who join us for worship on a regular basis as they prepare for their weddings. Over recent times, it has been a particular pleasure to have amongst us **Adam Smith & Jane Haddon** and **Tom Zamoyski & Stephanie Main** all of whom have appreciated the welcome they have been given. Their weddings take place this coming Saturday (9th at 12 noon) and the following Friday (15th at 12.15 pm) respectively. Both couples would be very glad to welcome you and have your support on these very special days.



Do make sure that you have the date in your diary for the **NORTHUMBRIAN EVENING** on Friday 15th July in the Parish Hall. There will be another tasty supper and local entertainment from Adrian Ions and Avril Huntley. At £10 per person, this is an event not to be missed; tickets are available from Jean Darby.

The July edition of **GATEWAY** is finally available at the back of church today. Many apologies for the lateness – there were technical problems with the photocopier in the office! Please note that contributions are welcomed by the editorial group; if you have a story to tell or an event you want publicised, talk to the Vicar or one of the team. (Colin Perkins, Joan Dunn, Jean Darby, Emma Mavin)

If you are a distributor and you know of anyone who is a subscriber and is moving to Weaver's Court – please let Joan Dunn know so that the records can be updated. Thanks.

PLEASE HELP! A few more volunteers are **urgently** needed to make and serve tea/coffee in church after the 9.30 Parish Eucharist. This involves arriving about 10 minutes beforehand and helping to clear up afterwards, perhaps once a month. Sue Porteous would be most grateful to hear from anyone who is willing to 'lend a hand'. Please could anyone interested talk to Sue.



Thanks to those who have responded to last week's call for help to keep our churchyard looking good. The tubs are all planted up, but we need some **COLOURFUL BEDDING PLANTS** for the 'triangle' near the gate. Please give all you can spare and, if you are able, lend a hand during dry spells to water and dead-head the plants.



For those who were not in Church last Sunday, you may have missed the announcement that **JANE HAS BEEN APPOINTED PRIEST-IN-CHARGE OF WHITTINGHAM WITH EDLINGHAM AND BOLTON CHAPEL**. Her Service of Installation will be at St Bartholomew's, Whittingham on Tuesday 2nd August at 7.30 pm. She would love to see St Michael's folks there. It would be a great help if you could sign the list at the back of church if you intend to go.

Please remember that our next session of **MESSY CHURCH** is this coming Saturday, 11.00 am – 1.00 pm. Lots of things to do – crafts, story, singing and lunch as we think about the Good Samaritan



An **urgent message** from **ALNWICK AND DISTRICT FOOD BANK**. It is very seriously short of tinned vegetables, potatoes, fruit and puddings. If you were able to help us replenish our almost empty shelves, we'd be really grateful indeed. Contributions could be left in the collecting bins at Costa Coffee, the Co-op or Iceland in Alnwick, or else here in Church. Many thanks'.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Mon 11th July	2.00 pm	Mission Group at the home of Jean Darby
Tues 12th July	7.30 pm	P.C.C. in church
Thurs 14th July	9.30 am	Mini Michaels in church
	2.30 pm	Wedding rehearsal
	7.00 pm	Baptism Preparation meeting in church
Fri 15th July	12 noon	Wedding of Tom Zamoyski and Stephanie Main
	7.00 pm	Northumbrian Evening, with entertainment and food, in the Parish Hall.
Tues 2nd Aug	7.30pm	Installation of The Rev'd Jane Scott as Priest-in-Charge at St Bartholomew's, Whittingham

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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