



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK

13TH SEPTEMBER 2015. HARVEST FESTIVAL

WELCOME!

A very warm welcome to St Michael's – especially if you are with us for the first time or are on holiday. 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 Joel 2:21-27 Reader **Merryn Hughes**
(Page 862 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)

Although most of this prophetic writing is of doom and ruin, the poetry also has its inspiring affirmation of God's love, to be shown in abundant harvests that produce more than enough for all.

2ND READING 1 Timothy 6:6-10 *at 8.00 am ONLY*
(Page 208 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

We are reminded by this letter not to grasp after more and more, but to be content with enough. There are great pitfalls that await the greedy.

THE GOSPEL **Matthew 6:25-33**

Jesus pronounces the natural world to be full of wonder, full of food and drink for its creatures and splendid to look at. We should praise God for his bounty, and try to set aside worries about our future.

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| 8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION |
| President The Rev'd Paul Scott |
| Preacher The Rev'd Julia Myles |
| Reader: Win Nicol |

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

President and Preacher **The Rev'd Julia Myles**

Hymns

290 We plough the fields and scatter
415 Praise and thanksgiving, Father, we offer
116 All things bright and beautiful
Great is thy faithfulness

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| <i>In Order of Service</i> |
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O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder

11.15 am MATINS AT DENWICK

Office: The Rev'd Paul Scott
Preacher: The Rev'd Colin Perkins



6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (*According to the Book of Common Prayer 1662*)

Readings: Deuteronomy 26:1-11 (*p. 188 of the Old Testament in the pew bible*)
Luke 17:11-19 (*p. 77 of the New Testament in the pew bible*)

Reader: Catherine Hughes

Office: The Rev'd Paul Scott

Preacher: The Rev'd Jane Scott

Hymns 289 Come, ye thankful people, come
Psalm 65 (*Page 423 of the small Prayer Book*)
415 Praise and thanksgiving
291 To thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise
205 Now thank we all our God

7.30 pm HARVEST SUPPER AND AUCTION OF PRODUCE in the Parish Hall

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon 14th 9.30 am **Holy Communion to celebrate Holy Cross Day**

Tues 15th 2.00 pm Funeral of Ruth Winter

Wed 16th 10.15 am **Holy Communion**
1.30 pm Rehearsal for School Harvest

Thurs 17th 9.15 am Mini Michaels
2.00 pm St Michael's 1st School Harvest Festival in church

Next Sunday: 20th September The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am Holy Communion, BCP Jeremiah 11:18-20 (CW 677)
James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a (CW 678)
Mark 9:30-37 (CW 679)

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

11.15 am Late Morning Worship

2.30 pm Battle of Britain Service in church

6.00 pm Sung Evensong (BCP, 1662) Exodus 19:10-25; Matthew 8:23-34

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

Thanks for God's generosity through the harvest

The ongoing Refugee situation

Alan, our Organist, and all Choir members

WERS – the West End Refugee Service in Newcastle

Elizabeth, our Queen – with thanks for her long and continuing reign

Do you have time to help with our **SUNDAY LUNCHES**, which take place in the Parish Hall once a month during Autumn and Winter? If so, please come along to a meeting at The Vicarage on Thursday 8th October at 7.00 pm. The first lunch will be on Sunday 18th October



FAITH AND LIFE begins at the Vicarage on the evening of 28th September. There is still time to sign up for this course which will be relaxing and fun! It would be a great help, if you are considering taking part, if you could fill in an Application Form (available at the back of church and returnable to Jane Scott) so that the right amount of materials may be ordered.

Please see the notice at the back of church about the **ALNWICK DEANERY VISIT TO NEWCASTLE CATHEDRAL** on Tuesday 6th October. This has the potential to be a very pleasant outing with friends from across the Deanery. If you are interested, please add your name to the list.



A NEW BISHOP FOR NEWCASTLE. It was announced last week that the next Bishop of Newcastle is to be the Venerable Christine Hardman – formerly Archdeacon of Lewisham & Greenwich in the diocese of Southwark. Please keep her in your prayers as she prepares to come among us and take on this new responsibility.

TRIP TO IONA 23RD -29TH JULY 2016. A group from St Michael's has been offered 15 places for the above week, staying in the Abbey and participating in the life of the Iona Community. There are a few spare places, so if you might be interested please contact Sue Allen as soon as possible.

There is to be a **BIG CLEAN** morning on Saturday 26th. If you can spare a couple of hours (or even an hour), please come along to St Michael's on that morning from 10.00 am. The aim is to spend time making everything look extra sparkly and tidy ready for our Patronal Festival on Sunday 27th. The more the merrier: free hot/cold drinks and cleaning materials are provided, so please do join in.



Please note: Julia's mobile number has changed from the original. Please check that you have the correct one. **Thanks.** (Apologies for the extra 0 in last week's pew sheet)

TONY MEAKIN, Vicar of St Paul's from 1960 to 1971, extends a warm invitation to those who remember him to join him at his celebration of the 60th Anniversary of his Ordination as Priest on Saturday 26th September, 11.00 am at St Mary's Whickham, followed by refreshments.

Do you help with any **DUTY ROTAS**? If you do, and if you arrange any swaps, please help us by making a note in the Duty Book which is on the Sidesmens table, and tell Joan (the Parish Secretary) of any changes – either by leaving a note on the computer keyboard or via email or telephone. Thanks.

The Royal School of Church Music, Northumbria are holding their annual Choral Workshop at St Andrew's, Corbridge on Saturday 10th October. This year they have invited Margaret Rizza, one of our most respected contemporary church composers. Entitled 'Celebration and Contemplation' this promises to be a splendid day. Members of our choir are attending and an invitation is extended to any who wish to join them. Please speak to Alan Hodgson or Enid Brown for further details.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

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| Mon 21 st | 7.00 pm | Deanery Synod at Warkworth |
| Sat 26 th | 9.00 am | Weight Watchers in church |
| | 10.00 am | Big Clean morning in St Michael's |
| | 11.00 am | Tony Meakin celebrates 60 th Anniversary of his Ordination at St Mary's Whickham. |
| Sun 27 th | St Michael's Patronal Festival Services at 8.00, 9.30, 11.15 am & 6.00 pm | |
| | 3.30 pm | Farewell Evensong for Michael Sadgrove at Durham Cathedral |
| Sat 3 rd Oct | 2.00 pm | Embroiderer's Guild in Parish Hall: Visitors & new members welcome Speaker: <i>Paula Constantine - Anglo Saxon and Viking Costume</i> |
| Thurs 8 th Oct | 7.00 pm | Meeting at Vicarage for Sunday Lunch helpers |
| Fri 9 th Oct | 7.30 pm | French-style Murder Mystery Evening in Parish Hall |
| Sat 10 th Oct | 10.00 am | Choir workshop at St Andrew's Church, Corbridge. with Margaret Rizza. <i>Non-choir members welcome</i> See above |
| Wed 14 th Oct | 1.30 pm | Mother's Union: <i>Val Hawker – Mothers' Union, Australian Style</i> |
| | 7.30 pm | Cake, Chat and Crafts at Jane Brown's house |

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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