



**ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017. THE 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**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 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**

**FIRST READING**     **Jeremiah 15:15-20**     *At 8.00 am only*  
*(Page 728 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)*

Jeremiah complains to God that his obedience is not giving him an easy life – too many people hating him and maligning him. The word of the Lord comes in consolation and reassurance: God gives strength of purpose and ultimate victory to his faithful ones – Jesus will say the same in the Gospel.

**SECOND READING**   **Romans 12:9-21**  
*(Page 158 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

In a series of powerful phrases, Paul describes how to live the Christian life, in which the world's standards of selfishness and success are overturned. Love is the key, with generosity and humility. Do good always, to everyone, everywhere.

**THE GOSPEL**     **Matthew 16:21-28**  
*(Page 17 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

As we continue to read Matthew's Gospel, he changes our mood to reflect on the impending events of Christ's suffering and death. The Christian life is never going to be easy; it is hard to give oneself for others. The Lord's promise to those who persevere is kingdom life, where Christ goes before us.

**8.00 am**     **HOLY COMMUNION**

**President and Preacher**     **The Rev'd Canon Alan Craig**  
**Reader**     **Mora Rolley**

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

**President**     **The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott**

Talk The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Hymns

- 489 From heaven you came, helpless babe
- 330 Do not be afraid
- 510 Will you come and follow me
- 725 Make me a channel of your peace
- 818 To God be the glory, great things he has done!

**6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)**

**Readings:** 2 Kings 6: 24-25 & 7:3-20  
*(Page 348 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)*  
Acts 18:1-16  
*(Page 134 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)*

**Reader:** Rosie Buxton

**Office** The Rev'd Colin Perkins

**Preacher** The Rev'd Colin Perkins

**Hymns** 132 O for a heart to praise my God  
Psalm 105 vv 1-15 *(Page 480 of the small Prayer Book)*  
593 At the name of Jesus vv 1, 3, 5 & 7  
294 We love the place, O God  
23 Sun of my soul, thou Saviour dear

**FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

That we may all be true followers of Jesus  
All affected by natural disasters – especially the flooding in Houston, Texas  
All schools as a new academic year begins  
Those who work in the Emergency Services  
Thankfulness for all the blessings of life

**WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	10.15 am	<b>Holy Communion</b>
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Mini Michaels return after the holidays
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Funeral of Les Jobson
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup>	2.00 pm	Christians Together in Alnwick: Prayer for Alnwick at the home of Andrew & Michelle Duff



## Next Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September The 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Ezekiel 33:7-11 Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20	CW 300 CW 301 CW 301
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist	<i>Readings as for 8.00 am service</i>	
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
11.15 am	Matins at Denwick		
2.00 pm	Holy Baptism		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong (BCP, 1662)	Ezekiel 12:21-13:16 Acts 19:1-20	



Although this newsletter goes to print before the event, this is a big 'thank you' to all who took part in yesterday's **SPONSORED WALK** and an equally big 'thank you' to all who so generously sponsored those who did the walking. We will let you know the total amount raised as soon as all the monies have been collected. If you have not yet sponsored anyone and would like to do so retrospectively, then please do not hesitate!

Have you made a note of the date of the next **BIG CLEAN** on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> ?  
If you haven't helped with one of these and can spare an hour or so from 10.00 am, please do come along and join in. You may not know this, but St Michael's is kept looking good by a number of folks who take on tasks whenever they have the time. The Big Clean is an opportunity for a joyful, shared couple of hours to give the whole church an extra-special mop/dust/polish!



John Knight (Christians Together in Alnwick) has received a request for help from Bill McDonald who looks after the **MIGHTY OAKS** coffee van which comes under the wing of Contagious and is supported by CTiA. If you are interested, there is a get-together next Sunday, please send Bill an e-mail if you plan to go, to help plan catering.

## **FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW**

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	3.30 pm	Thanksgiving for the life of Anne Glassey
	7.30 pm	Deanery Synod at Whittingham Memorial Hall
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	7.30 pm	PCC in Parish Hall
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2.00 pm	Mothers' Union in church: <i>Rob Wilson – Poison Garden</i>
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept	12.30 pm	Wedding of Keith Bell and Laura Rule
	7.00 pm	Baptism Preparation in church
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00 am	Big Clean in church
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	2.30 pm	Battle of Britain Service in St Michael's
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct		Harvest Festival
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	2.00 pm	St Michael's Primary School Harvest Festival
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	6.00 pm	Choral Evensong sung by 'Colla Voce', followed by Harvest Supper
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	12.30 pm	Monthly Sunday Lunches begin
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov		Bryan Jackson concert in church
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov		Special Advent stall of wooden goods in church
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov		Winter Market in Parish Hall

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