



St Michael's Church, Alnwick

Vicar: The Rev'd Paul Scott

Curate: The Rev'd Julia Myles

Parish website: www.alnwickanglican.com

8th February 2015 The Second Sunday before Lent

A very warm welcome to St Michael's. If you are a visitor, and receive Communion at your own church, you are invited to do so here.

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	The Rev'd Julia Myles
Preacher	The Rev'd Canon Dennis Winter
Reader	Hilary Atkin

9.30 am **SUNG EUCHARIST** *Setting: Mass of St Cedd*

President The Rev'd Paul Scott

HYMN 204 Let us, with a gladsome mind

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Junior Church meets in the Parish Room- all children welcome. Under 5s with a parent please or you may like to use the Children's Corner (at the back of church).



1ST READING Proverbs 8:1 & 22-31 Reader: Anita Harvey
(Page 602 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)

John's Gospel says that in the beginning was the Word. In this collection of ancient proverbs, we hear that in the beginning God created Wisdom to be his companion, his joy and delight, and to work with him in the creation of this world.

2ND READING Colossians 1:5-20 Reader: Paul Jarvis
(Page 197 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

To ancient thinkers, wisdom was a person of God, present in creation. Paul applies this to Jesus. All that is, seen and unseen, was created through Christ; and now his resurrection life reconciles everything to God.

GRADUAL J28 O God, you search me and you know me

THE GOSPEL**John 1:1-14*****(Page 88 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)***

As a prologue to his story of Jesus, John sets out for us its background in eternity. When God's Word came to his world it was to bring us light and life.

SERMON**The Rev'd Canon Dennis Winter****PRAYERS****Intercessor****Anne Harrison****OFFERTORY HYMN****260****And now, O Father, mindful of the love**

After the Offertory, the service continues with Eucharistic Prayer A which starts on page 12 of the Ordinary Time booklet

COMMUNION HYMN**J19****In bread we bring you, Lord****FINAL HYMN****199****Immortal, invisible, God only wise****11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION*****The Glory of God*****Leader Jane Brown****President The Rev'd Canon Sue Allen****11.15 am HOLY COMMUNION AT DENWICK****President: The Rev'd Julia Myles****Preacher: The Rev'd Paul Scott****2.00 pm HOLY BAPTISM *Please pray for:*****Frederick Harrison Mawer****Joseph John Horton****6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG *(According to the Book of Common Prayer 1662)***

Readings: Genesis 2:4b-25 *(p. 2 of the Old Testament in the pew bible)*
 Luke 8:22-35 *(p. 65 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*

Reader: Jean Darby**Office: The Rev'd Colin Perkins****Preacher: Trevor Porteous**

Hymns 143 **Jesus shall reign where'er the sun**
 Psalm 65 *(page 423 of the small prayer book)*
 106 **Lord of beauty, thine the splendour**
 209 **Through all the changing scenes of life**
 133 **Immortal Love for ever full**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

That we may see Christ as the light and life of the world

The work of the Mothers' Union

An end to political and religious extremism

St. Michael's School

Alnwick Food Bank

Morning Prayer is usually said in church at 9.00 am (8.30 am Thursday) and Evening Prayer at 5.00 pm Monday to Friday except for Wednesday morning.

You will be most welcome to join us for these times of prayer and bible reading.

Please note that the Vicar's day off is Friday and the Curate's is Monday

They would be pleased to be spared all but the most urgent matters on these days.

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wed 11th Feb 10.15 am Holy Communion
 12 noon Soup & Cake Lunch in Parish Hall
 1.30 pm Mothers' Union AGM in church
 7.30 pm Coffee 'n' Chocolate evening at Michelle Duff's *See page 4*

Sat 14th Feb 10.00 am Deanery Synod in St Michael's Church
This is an important open event, to which all are welcome. Please come along and find out how your deanery is working, and join in the discussion about what the next steps should be. **Coffee available from 9.30 am, soup and roll at 12 noon.** Please let Frances Allsop know **today** if you can be there (just for catering purposes). Phone 01665 510095, email francesk@btopenworld.com

Next Sunday: 15th February The Sunday next before Lent

8.00 am	Holy Communion, BCP	2 Kings 2:1-12	(CW 449)
		2 Corinthians 4:3-6	(CW 450)
		Mark 9:2-9	(CW 450)
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong, BCP 1662	1 Kings 19:1-16;	2 Peter 1:16-21

Shrove Tuesday is next week. Have you added your name yet? There is still JUST time to do so! for the **PANCAKE PARTY**. The cost (which includes a selection of pancakes) is £7 per person. Any questions please speak to Margaret Onions.



COFFEE AND CHOCOLATE evening on Wed 11th Feb. Come and make and eat chocolate at Michelle Duff's, 7:30 - 9:30/10 pm. Please let Michelle know if you are coming by Monday evening so she can buy the ingredients. There will be a small charge to cover the costs. Tel:-01665 605663.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2015. 1.45 pm, Friday 6th March at St Michael's

This year St Michael's is hosting the Service and so **we shall need volunteers** for 'Welcoming' beforehand and afterwards to serve refreshments and to count the collection. If you feel you would be able to help please contact Pam Straughan (01665 605017) or Sue Porteous (01665 602496) as soon as possible. WWDP Services are always lively and challenging and a wonderful opportunity to meet with friends from other churches in the area.

An opportunity has been taken to have a serious and detailed look at the names on our **YEARS MIND** list and this has resulted in a good number of names being removed – particularly where families have moved away or no longer attend worship. Please take time to examine the list which is available in the old Baptistry and complete one of the accompanying forms if you wish other names to be added.

LENT GROUPS WITH DAVID BRYAN start on 24th of this month. Full details of times and topics may be found in fliers at the back of church and on page 10 of the February edition of Gateway. If you intend to go to these Tuesday Lent Groups in the Small Hall, please sign up today. They are at 2.30 pm or 7.15 pm. Don't worry if you need to flit between the two options!

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Thurs 12 th Feb	7.15 pm	Back to Basics: The Sequel (2)
Tues 17 th Feb	7.00 pm	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party – Parish Hall Sign-up list at the back of church.
Wed 18 th Feb		Ash Wednesday Holy Communion at 10.15 am & 7.30 pm
Thurs 19 th Feb	7.30 am 12 noon	Lenten Early Communion Services begin Christians Together in Alwick: Lent Lunches begin in the Costello Centre, Bailiffgate.
Tues 24 th Feb		and each Tuesday in Lent 2.30 or 7.15 pm Lent courses with David Bryan
Sat 7 th Mar		Vicarage 'At Home' day: Morning Coffee, Soup Lunch, Afternoon Tea

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