



St Michael's Church, Alnwick

Vicar: The Rev'd Paul Scott

Curate: The Rev'd Julia Myles

Parish website: www.alnwickanglican.com

8th March 2015 The Third Sunday of 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 & Preacher The Rev'd Paul Scott

Reader Hilary Atkin

9.30 am

SUNG EUCHARIST

Setting: Mass of St Cedd

President

The Rev'd Julia Myles

HYMN

125 O for a thousand tongues to sing

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

Exodus 20:1-17

Reader: Dennis Dalby

(Page 68 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)

Our weekly readings continue the theme of God's covenant with his people. He requires obedience to his commandments, the heart of the Jewish Law and a foundation of Christian moral principles.

2ND READING

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

Reader: Judy Jobson

(Page 162 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

To proclaim Christ nailed to a cross seems offensively foolish, says Paul, yet in reality it displays God's loving wisdom and mysterious saving power.

GRADUAL

Psalm 27: 1-8

The Lord is my light, and my salvation, whom then shall I fear:

the Lord is the strength of my life, of whom then shall I be afraid?

When the wicked even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh: they stumbled and fell.

Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid: and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.

One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require:

even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

to behold the fair beauty of the Lord and to visit his temple.

For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle:
yea in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me,
and set me up upon a rock of stone.

And now shall he lift up mine head: above mine enemies round about me.

Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness:
I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.

Hearken unto my voice O Lord, when I cry unto thee:
have mercy upon me and hear me.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be:
world without end, Amen.

THE GOSPEL

John 2:13-22

(Page 89 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

As we near the time to remember again the fateful confrontation between Jesus and the Temple authorities, we hear John's account of Jesus driving out all those who perverted the Temple's purposes for personal gain. From his resurrection perspective, John reflects on what this event means.

SERMON

The Rev'd Dr David Bryan

PRAYERS

Intercessor

The Rev'd Paul Scott

OFFERTORY HYMN

332

(Parts II, III & doxology)

Christ is made the sure foundation

After the Offertory, the service continues with the Eucharistic Prayer which starts on page 20 of the Lent booklet

COMMUNION HYMN

246

Just as I am, without one plea

FINAL HYMN

251

There's a wideness in God's mercy

11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP

Leader

Valerie Pomfret

Address

The Rev'd Dr David Bryan

11.15 am MATINS AT DENWICK

Office & Preacher: The Rev'd Colin Perkins



12.15 pm Sunday Lunch in the Parish Hall

6.00 pm	SUNG EVENSONG	<i>(According to the Book of Common Prayer 1662)</i>
Readings:	Exodus 5:1 to 6:1	<i>(p. 53 of the Old Testament in the pew bible)</i>
	Philippians 3:4b-14	<i>(p. 195 of the New Testament in the pew bible)</i>
Reader:	Anita Harvey	
Office	The Rev'd Julia Myles	
Preacher	The Rev'd Colin Perkins	
Hymns	118	Firmly I believe and truly
	Psalm	11 <i>(page 357 of the small prayer book)</i>
	161	Christ is our corner-stone
	249	Take my life, and let it be
	120	Jesu, the very thought of thee

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

That we may worship in Spirit and in truth
Our Lenten observances & disciplines
An end to extremism & violence
Mini Michaels
Those preparing for baptism

*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

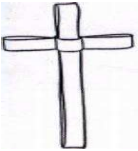
Mon 9 th	7.00 pm	The Way of The Cross: A Lent quiet evening at St James' URC Led by the Ven. Geoff Miller, Archdeacon of Northumberland
Tues 10 th	10.00 am	Funeral of Robert Stephenson
	2.30 & 7.15 pm	Lent Study groups in Parish Hall. This week: Session 3 – Jerusalem, Journey's End
Wed 11 th	10.15 am	Holy Communion
	12 noon	Soup & Cake Lunch in Parish Hall
	1.30 pm	Mothers' Union in St Michael's: <i>The Rev'd Colin Perkins – Lent Reflections</i>
	7.30 pm	Crafts and socialising at 45 Royal Oak Gardens
Thurs 12 th	7.30 am	Lenten Holy Communion
	12 noon	Ecumenical Lent Lunch in the Costello Centre, Bailiffgate.
	7.00 pm	Baptism Preparation meeting in church
Sat 14 th	9.30 am	Diocesan Synod Open Forum at Holy Nativity Church, Chapel House
	2.00 pm	2 Choirs Concert in St Paul's Church - in aid of HospiceCare

Next Sunday: 15th Mothering Sunday

8.00 am	Holy Communion, BCP	1 Samuel 1:20-28 Colossians 3:12-17 John 19:25b-27	(CW 470) (CW 472) (CW 473)
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
11.30 am	Shortened Late Morning Worship		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong, BCP 1662	Exodus 6:2-13; Romans 5: 1-11	

The **ELECTORAL ROLL** is undergoing its annual revision. Please check the lists and make a note of any corrections on the separate sheet. If you are new to St Michael's or were too young to be on the Roll last year there are Application Forms available at the back of church. Please take one and, when completed, return it to Anne Cooke, our Electoral Roll Officer.

Please will **YOU** come and help to make **PALM CROSSES ON WED 25TH MARCH AT 3 PM** in the Small Hall. All are welcome – this is always a friendly get-together and if you don't know (or are not sure) how to make these, don't worry – help and advice is available; hint – it's a good idea to bring a pair of small sharp scissors if you can, to trim the palm leaves!



Saturday 21st is our next **BIG CLEAN** day. Your help is needed to make St Michael's look extra bright and sparkling for Easter. Even if you can only spare an hour, just come along at 10 am to lend a hand. Free tea/coffee and maybe even a biscuit or two, cleaning materials provided.



FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Tues 17 th	1.30 pm	Federation of Church Schools – Hymnalong in St Michael's
	7.30 pm	P.C.C. meeting in church
Sat 21 st	10.00 am	Big Clean morning in church.
Sun 22 nd	10.45 am	Sunday Schools Together: Crafts for Easter at <u>St James' URC</u> .
Wed 25 th	2.00 pm	St Michael's 1 st School Easter Service in church
	3.00 pm	Palm Cross making in the Parish Hall, followed by a shared afternoon tea
Sat 28 th	11.00 am	'Special To Me' art competition, Northumberland Hall (School Years 5-8) <i>See fliers at the back of church</i>
Sun 29 th	7.30 pm	Start of St Michael's 'Open to Visitors' 2015 season Alnwick & District Choral Society presents Handel's Messiah in St Paul's

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