



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK
8TH OCTOBER 2017
THE SEVENTEENTH 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 and 11.15 services 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.

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION

President & Preacher The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
Reader Rob Wilson

9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST

Setting: Mass of St Thomas

President The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Parents with babies and very small children are most welcome to take them to the Children's Corner (at the back of church) at any time



INTROIT HYMN 6 Lord, as the day begins

1ST READING Isaiah 5:1-7 Reader: Catherine Hughes

(Page 644 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)

The image of the vineyard is a common one in the Bible. God's people are those he plants, feeds, prunes, renews and brings to a fine harvest. Isaiah here is warning that because of the people's unfaithfulness and bad leadership, Jerusalem and Judah are about to be over-run by Assyria: it is sometimes the will of God to allow his vineyard to be ruined.

2ND READING Philippians 3:4b-14 Reader: Douglas Ramsay

(Page 195 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

We have been hearing week by week Paul's reflections in prison. Now his mind turns towards the future. No worldly advantages compare with knowing Christ – that is, a deep experience of his renewing power – and Paul longs to know more and understand more, even though in this life such knowledge can only be partial.

GRADUAL 747 O God you search me and you know me

THE GOSPEL **Matthew 21:33-46** (*Page 22 of the New Testament in the pew bible*)
Jesus takes the familiar metaphor of Israel as God's vineyard and turns it into a castigation of those with responsibility for tending it. All those whom God sent to guide and direct, even his own son, were reviled and rejected.

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

PRAYERS **Intercessor Patricia Kind**

OFFERTORY HYMN **450 Jesus calls us here to meet him**

After the Offertory, the service continues with Eucharistic Prayer E which starts on page 11 of the Ordinary Time booklet

COMMUNION HYMN **712 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us**

CLOSING HYMN **646 God is working his purpose out**

11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP

Leader **Emma Mavin**
Talk **Anthony O'Neill**

11.15 am HARVEST THANKSGIVING AT DENWICK

President **The Rev'd Colin Perkins**
Preacher: **The Rev'd Colin Perkins**



2.00 pm HOLY BAPTISM *Please pray for:*

Tilly Rose Violet Swordy



FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- **A recognition that we may rest in God's eternal changelessness**
- **All affected by the massacre in Las Vegas**
- **St Michael's C of E Primary School – the staff, pupils and governors**
- **Alan, our Organist, the Choir and all involved in church music**
- **Alnwick & District Food Bank**

6.00 pm		CHORAL EVENSONG	
We are pleased to welcome Colla Voce, who will sing Evensong this evening, under the direction of The Rev'd Chris Clinch			
Readings:	Proverbs 2:1-11	<i>(Page 596 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)</i>	
	1 John 2: 1-17	<i>(Page 236 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)</i>	
Office	The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott		
Hymns	103 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness		
Responses	Ayleward		
	Psalm 145	<i>(Page 532 of the small Prayer Book)</i>	
Canticles	T. Tertius Noble		
Anthem	Expectans expectavi - Wood		
	811	Thou didst leave thy throne and thy kingly crown	
	15	Glory to thee, my God, this night	

7.30 pm HARVEST SUPPER & AUCTION OF PRODUCE IN PARISH HALL

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 11th	10.15 am	Holy Communion	
	2.00 pm	Mothers' Union	<i>Speaker Bill Devonshire</i>
	7.30 pm	Coffee and Craft at the home of Michelle Duff	
Thursday 12th	9.30 am	Mini Michaels in church	
	7.00 pm	Baptism preparation in church	



Next Sunday	15th October The 18th Sunday after Trinity		
8.00 am	Holy Communion, BCP	Isaiah 25:1-9	CW 330
		Philippians 4: 1-9	CW 331
		Matthew 22:1-14	CW 331
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong, (BCP, 1662) Proverbs 3: 1-10		1 John 3: 1-15



Rev'd Gabby Llewellyn and Jane Skelton would love to repeat their coffee morning, held a couple of years ago, in aid of **ANGEL TREE**, which provides Christmas presents for the children of men and women currently in prison serving their sentences. Please support by joining us at Jane and Neal's house (details from the Office) on Saturday 21st October 10.30 am-12.30. Cake stall, raffle and live music. Help serving would be much appreciated. *Please note that there will not be a separate Angel Tree Coffee morning at St Michael's this year.*


AWAY DAYS ON HOLY ISLAND We have been offered TWO dates at the St Cuthbert's Centre, Saturday 25th November 2017 and Saturday 10th March 2018. Depending on what people offer, we can expect sharing, worship, craft, food and exploring the island. The cost is likely to be around £6-10 for the day, depending on what food we arrange. Please let Sue Allen know TODAY if you are interested in going for one or both of these days.

Newcastle Council of Faiths is holding its Annual **WALK FOR PEACE** on Sunday 15th October. There are fliers at the back of church, giving details of the programme. This is a not-to-be-missed opportunity to see and hear about other faiths during a brief visit to places of worship, and to show how we can co-exist in peace. The walk starts at 12.30 pm prompt and finishes at 3.15 pm.

On Sunday 22nd October at 6.00 pm we will hold one of our twice-yearly **CELEBRATIONS OF WHOLENESS & HEALING** which will include, for those who wish, the laying-on of hands and anointing. This is a service which is appreciated by many and is one of the loveliest liturgies in the Church of England. Perhaps, if you've not experienced this before, you might consider coming along.



FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Sunday 15th	12.30 pm	Monthly Sunday Lunches begin	
	12.30 pm	Walk for Peace in Newcastle	<i>See above</i>
Saturday 21 st	11.00 am	Messy Church in Parish Hall	
	10.30 am	Angel Tree Coffee Morning at West Thirston	
Saturday 28 th	7.30 pm	Candlelight Evening at Salvation Army Hall, Hotspur Street	
Saturday 4th Nov		Bryan Jackson concert in church	
Sunday 5th Nov		All Saints Sunday	
		Special Advent stall of wooden goods in church	
	6.00 pm	All Souls Memorial Service	
Saturday 11 th Nov		Winter Market in Parish Hall	

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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