



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK

9TH JULY 2017. THE FOURTH 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
Reader

The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
Mora Rolley

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 103 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

1ST READING Zechariah 9:9-12 Reader: Richard Dale

(Page 898 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)

At least one prophetic voice in Israel associated the Messiah with humility and gentleness as well as with power, and Jesus chose to act out this vision. A king riding on a donkey, so familiar to us, speaks of a strange kind of triumphal entry to take up the kingdom.

2ND READING Romans 7:15-25a Reader: Catherine Hughes

(Page 153 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

We have heard week by week Paul trying to explain how Christians can say they are free from sin for the service of God, yet still find themselves in a constant battle against sin. Here, he admits this even of himself: how far from perfection he is, doing what he should not and not doing what he should.

GRADUAL 437 'Come to me', says Jesus

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- That, amidst change, we may know Christ's abiding presence
- The work of the Mothers' Union
- Those going through dark times, that they may know light once again
- Jean and Pat, our Churchwardens
- All who visit St Michael's – and the ministry of welcome provided by our Stewards

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tues 11 th	12 noon	Thanksgiving for the life of Walter Roberts
	7.30 pm	PCC meeting in church
Wed 12 th	10.15 am	Holy Communion
	2.00 pm	Mothers' Union in church: <i>Speaker – Pat Johnson</i>
	7.30 pm	Coffee and craft at Michelle Duff's.
Sun 16 th	2.00 pm	Strawberry Tea at The Orchard, in aid of Mercy Ships, UK

Next Sunday 16th July The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Isaiah 55:10-13	CW 256
		Romans 8:1-11	CW 257
		Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	CW 258
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist	<i>Readings as for 8.00 am service</i>	
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong (BCP, 1662)	2 Samuel 7: 18-29	Luke 19:41-20:8

Our **FLOWER FESTIVAL** takes place in August with 'Leisure' as its theme. If you are hoping to sponsor a display please let Kathleen Turnbull know by **the end of today (9th July)** at the very latest. Posters and fliers are now available at the back of church; if you can display one, or know someone who will, please take as many as you can use.

Tickets, price £5 (including a glass of wine and nibbles), are available today from Pat Taylor for the **PREVIEW EVENING** on Wednesday 2nd August. Donations of goods suitable as **RAFFLE PRIZES** are requested – please leave them at the back of church in the box provided, or give to a churchwarden.

This year, instead of a 'Songs of Praise' on the Sunday evening (6th August) we aim to have a '**BIG SING**'! Churches will be asked to list their favourite hymns and, when the results are pooled together, a selection of the most popular will form the basis for our closing worship.

Have you read the article in this month's Gateway about the forming and development of the men's choir **VOICEMALE**? Well, now is your chance to see and hear them in concert – further details are on the church Notice Board. Make a note of the date – 21st July, 7.30 pm (doors open at 6.45 pm) in our Parish Hall. **Tickets, £5, are available today** from Jean Darby or Alnwick Post Office.

Alongside the Flower Festival (and as part of the Music Festival) St. Michael's will be holding a **HOME-MADE GOODS STALL** in the Market Place on Tuesday



1st Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th August. This is **AN APPEAL**

for your usual generosity in supplying all things home-made over those three days. Jams, chutneys, scones, cakes, savouries, knitting, sewing (and anything else you might think of) would be gratefully received. If you have any queries please speak to Pat Taylor who will be very happy to help. This is one of our important fund raisers so please do all you can (including coming along with your friends to buy) to help make it a success.

SPONSORED WALK. The date has now been decided and is **SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER.** We do hope that this will be convenient for everyone and that others may still wish to add their name to the list of interested parties at the back of church. The plan is to leave from St. Michael's at 10.00 am and that the route will be about six miles.



JULIA & PAUL WRITE:

We were so overwhelmed with the cards and gifts and love and best wishes last week. Thank you so very, very much indeed. Be certain that St Michael's and Alnwick will always have a special place in our hearts. Please do pray for us in new jobs and college.

Our new address is available from the Office or the printed version of the pew sheet

ALSO - Just before she left us, Julia recorded an interview, including some of her favourite music, for Lionheart Radio (107.3FM). This will be repeated **at lunchtime today** at around 12.15 pm if you want to hear what she had to say.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Fri 21 st	7.30 pm	Voicemale in Concert in the Parish Hall	<i>See Notice Board</i>
Sat 22 nd	11.00 am	Messy Church in Parish Hall	
Sun 23 rd	4.00 pm	Evensong at St Bartholomew's Whittingham	

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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