



# ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK

## 10<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2016. THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

### 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 am 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.*

<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
President	The Rev'd Julia Myles
Preacher	The Rev'd Paul Scott
Reader	Rob Wilson

**9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST**

**Setting: Mass of St Thomas**

President The Rev'd 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. For older children and young people, Junior Church takes place in the Parish Room.*



**INTROIT HYMN**                      632 Fill thou my life, O Lord my God

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING**                      Isaiah 43:1-7                      Reader: Judy Jobson

*(Page 682 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)*

Whatever adversity come upon us, wrote the prophet. We are to have no fear. We may be reminded of baptism by his words about passing through water, and God knowing us by name. Every one of us is precious to God and loved by him.

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING**                      Acts 8:14-17                      Reader: Derek Barnes

*(Page 123 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

Jews hated Samaritans, who claimed God for themselves. So when the Gospel first spread beyond Jerusalem, it was significant that Philip's preaching was effective in Samaria. Peter and John were sent to confirm this was true, and lay hands on the converts.

**GRADUAL**                      332 Freed in Christ from death and sin

**THE GOSPEL**                      Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

*(Page 57 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

John the Baptist points always to the greater one whose way he was preparing, and promises a different kind of baptism from his. Jesus submits himself to John, for baptism and prayer.

**SERMON**                      The Rev'd Paul Scott  
**PRAYERS**                     Intercessor     The Rev'd Julia Myles  
**OFFERTORY HYMN**         104   Songs of thankfulness and praise

*After the Offertory, the service continues with the Eucharistic Prayer which starts on page 21 of the Epiphanytide booklet*

**COMMUNION HYMN**        464   Sweet sacrament divine  
**FINAL HYMN**                646   God is working his purpose out

**11.15 am     LATE MORNING WORSHIP**

**Leader**                     Rachel Robinson  
**Address**                    Emma Mavin

**11.15 am     MATINS AT DENWICK**

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



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

**Readings:**                Isaiah 55:1-11    *(p. 696 of the Old Testament in the pew bible)*  
                                   Romans 6:1-11    *(p. 152 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*

**Reader:**                    Merryn Hughes

**Office**                        The Rev'd Paul Scott

**Preacher**                    The Rev'd Colin Perkins

**Hymns**     362    Come, let us join our cheerful songs  
                   Psalm    47    *(Page 404 of the small Prayer Book)*  
                       710    Light's abode, celestial Salem        *Omit verses 4 &5*  
                       688    Jesu, the very thought of thee  
                       727    May the mind of Christ my Saviour

**FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...**

Thanks that we are made brothers and sisters through baptism  
 Peter, our Archdeacon  
 All who work for justice and peace  
 Hospice Care Northumberland  
 Our home communicants

## WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>	7.00 pm	Faith and Life at the Vicarage
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Jan	7.30 pm	PCC meeting in Small Hall
<b>Wed 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.15am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	2.00 pm	Funeral of Ethel Ford
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 am	Mini Michaels
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>	12.40 pm	Sunday Lunch in the Parish Hall
		Please sign the sheet TODAY if you plan to be there

### ***Next Sunday: 17th January The Second Sunday of Epiphany***

<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion, BCP</b>	<b>Isaiah 62:1-5</b>	<b>(CW 778)</b>
		<b>1 Corinthians 12:1-11</b>	<b>(CW 779)</b>
		<b>John 2:1-11</b>	<b>(CW 779)</b>
<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>		
<b>11.15 am</b>	<b>Late Morning Worship</b>		
<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>Songs of Praise at St Paul's Church, to mark the start of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (see below for times and venues)</b>		

Congratulations to the winners of January's **PARISH HALL PRIZE DRAW**. They are:  
 £20 no.16 John Onions    £10 no. 7 Mrs M.J. Wilcox    £5 no.12 Kay Downey

The **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** starts next week. The weekday services at each of the churches are short and are a blend of hymns, prayers and readings. Please try to attend as many of these as possible. **Times and venues are:**

Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	St Paul's	Songs of Praise	6.00 pm
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Baptist Church		6.15 pm
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	St James's U.R.C.		6.15 pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	St Michael's		6.15 pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Methodist Chapel		11.15 am
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	St Paul's		6.15 pm
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	St James's, Shilbottle		6.00 pm

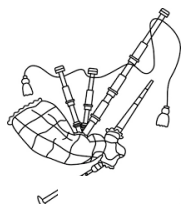
**MINCE PIES AND MORE.** Just a gentle reminder about the fund raising event for Spitak at Sue Wiltshire's house. All details are on a flyer for you to pick up over the next few weeks but in the meantime please pop the afternoon of Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> on your calendar . Thank you

**CRAFT, COFFEE AND CAKE** at Michelle Duff's on Wednesday 13th January at 7:30pm. Bring whatever you are working on or bring some old candles (stubs or broken are fine) and a cup/jam jar or similar container to make a candle. Whichever you decide come to have fun and a good chat!

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Many thanks to all who have helped to make the **ALTAR FLOWERS** look so beautiful over the past year. The 2016 rota for this is now available in the Black Folder at the back of church. If you would like to help provide Altar Flowers for the coming year, perhaps in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion, please sign up against the date you wish. If you have any questions regarding this, please speak to Ann Brown or Enid Brown.

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Our **BURNS NIGHT SUPPER** will be in the Parish Hall on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at 7.00pm. All the usual events, including traditional food, entertainment and the Address to the Chieftain O' the Pudding Race. The cost will be £10; if you haven't signed up yet, **please do so today** – places are being snapped up!

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Susan Trafford is pleased to report that the sale of her home-made **CHRISTMAS CAKES** made £40 for church funds. Don't forget that she is happy to make and sell fruit cakes at any time through the year; you have a special occasion – please contact Susan or the Office.

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

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| Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan   | 10.00 am  | Standing Committee at the Vicarage                        |
|                            | 2.30 pm   | Pastoral Visitors Group at the Vicarage                   |
| Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>       | afternoon | Spitak fundraising event at Sue Wiltshire's home          |
|                            | 6.15 pm   | Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at <b>St Michael's</b> |
| Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan   | 7.00 pm   | Burns Night supper in the Parish Hall                     |
| Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan   |           | <b>The Conversion of Paul</b>                             |
| Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan | 7.30 pm   | PCC Finance Committee at the Vicarage                     |

**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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