



St Michael's Church, Alnwick
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15th February 2015 The Sunday Next 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, BCP

President & Preacher The Rev'd Colin Perkins
Reader Win Nicol

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

President The Rev'd Julia Myles

HYMN 4 Christ, whose glory fills the skies

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 2 Kings 2:1-12 **Reader: Pat Taylor**
(Page 342 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)

Today's readings all speak of the mystery of glory sometimes revealed when earth and heaven are united. When Elijah's great prophetic work was done, we are told he was taken up to heaven with wind and fire, and his powers were inherited by Elisha.

2ND READING 2 Corinthians 4:2-6 **Reader: Frances Allsop**
(Page 177 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

This passage is chosen to harmonise with today's theme of glory. Christ is glorious, says Paul, with the glory of God himself, and the light he brings shines in our hearts.

GRADUAL 441 Christ upon the mountain peak

THE GOSPEL**Mark 9:2-9*****(Page 42 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)***

The Lord's closest friends see him transfigured upon a mountain-top, in a disclosure of his true identity. In the presence of the figures of Moses and Elijah, a cloud of glory comes upon him and the voice of the holy one is heard.

SERMON**The Rev'd Colin Perkins****PRAYERS****Intercessor****Tom Hutton-Stott****OFFERTORY HYMN****345****Christ is the King! O friends rejoice**

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

COMMUNION HYMN**279****My God, accept my heart this day****FINAL HYMN****318****'Tis good, Lord, to be here****11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP*****A Glimpse of Heaven*****Leaders****Claire Mead****Address****Trevor Porteous****12.15 for 12.30 Sunday Lunch in the Parish Hall****6.00 pm****SUNG EVENSONG*****(According to the Book of Common Prayer 1662)*****Readings:****1 Kings 19:1-16*****(p. 336 of the Old Testament in the pew bible)*****2 Peter 1:16-21*****(p. 234 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*****Reader:****Merryn Hughes****Office****The Rev'd Paul Scott****Preacher****Valerie Pomfret****Hymns****224****Lead, heavenly Father, lead us****Psalm****2*****(page 347 of the small prayer book)*****163****Angel-voices ever singing****250****Thou didst leave thy throne****231****O for a closer walk****FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...****That the glory of Christ would fill our lives****A good keeping of Lent****Those considering their call to ministry****All who work for peace and justice****The Emergency Services**

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 16th 10.00 am Standing Committee at the Vicarage

Tues 17th Feb 2.00 pm Shrovetide Football Match in The Pastures
 7.00 pm Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party – Parish Hall

Wed 18th Feb **Ash Wednesday**
 10.15 am and 7.30 pm Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes

Thurs 19th Feb 7.30 am **Lenten Holy Communion**
 12 noon Ecumenical Lent Lunch in the Costello Centre, Bailiffgate.

Next Sunday: 22nd February The First Sunday of Lent

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Genesis 9:8-17 1 Peter 3:18-22 Mark 1:9-15	(CW 446) (CW 447) (CW 448)
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
2.00 pm	Holy Baptism		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong, BCP 1662	Genesis 2:15-17 & 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19	

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 Tuesday (24th) at 2.30 pm or 7.15 pm in the Parish Hall. Have you signed up yet? If not there is still just time to do so **TODAY**. Don't worry if you need to flit between the two options!

LENT LEAFLETS are available today at the back of church – please take one as a reminder of the extra opportunities there are to take part in Lenten activities and/or disciplines in preparation for Holy Week and Easter.

12TH MARCH IS ST MICHAEL'S turn to act as host at the **ECUMENICAL LENT LUNCH** in the Costello Centre. Early organisation is under way, but we would appreciate donations of cash to purchase the ingredients for the lunch (please see Margaret Onions) and also please support the event by going along to the lunch. Thanks.

There is to be a Vicarage **AT HOME** day on Saturday 7th March in aid of church funds. There will be Morning Coffee 10 am-12 noon, Soup Lunch 12-2 pm and Afternoon Tea 2 – 4 pm. Please make a note of the date in your diary.

Although Easter is six weeks away, perhaps you would care to consider helping our team of flower arrangers by donating **CASH FOR FLOWERS** to make St Michael's look her best for the Eastertide celebrations As always, garden greenery will also be much appreciated. If you have any queries please speak to Ann Brown, Pat Taylor or Enid Brown.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

- Tues 24th Feb and each Tuesday in Lent
2.30 or 7.15 pm Lent courses with David Bryan
- Fri 6th Mar 1.45 pm Women's World Day of Prayer at St Michael's
- Sat 7th Mar Vicarage 'At Home' day: Morning Coffee, Soup Lunch, Afternoon Tea
Proceeds in aid of church funds,
- Sun 11th Mar 12 noon Soup and cake lunch in Parish Hall
- Sat 21st Mar 10.00 am Big Clean morning in church.
Please set aside an hour or so to come along and help
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