



# ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK

## 16<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2017. THE FIFTH 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, BCP

President & Preacher  
Reader

The Rev'd Colin Perkins  
Win Nicol

### 9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST

*Setting: Mass of St Thomas*

President The Rev'd Canon Alan Craig

### 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 young people and older children, Junior Church is in the Parish Room*



INTROIT HYMN 827 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

1ST READING Isaiah 55: 10-13 Reader: Ann Harrison

*(Page 696 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)*

We shall hear in the Gospel the familiar parable of the seed – the Word of God – sown in different conditions. Isaiah too used the picture of God's word taking root and being fruitful, guaranteeing joy and peace when the time of exile would come to an end.

2ND READING Romans 8: 1-11 Reader: Catherine McNally

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

Paul has discovered that sin is never completely conquered, but the amazing consequence of faith in Jesus Christ is that God does not utterly condemn us. Our lives are quite different, because they are directed to God, and through his Spirit he gives us true life.

GRADUAL 380 Come, Lord, to our souls come down

**THE GOSPEL****Matthew 13:1-9 & 18-23***(Page 13 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*

If you have ears, then hear a parable. God's presence and God's word are broadcast everywhere, like seed falling in every kind of soil and climate. To you it has been given to hear and understand and be fruitful.

**SERMON****The Rev'd Canon Alan Craig****PRAYERS****Intercessor Patricia Kind****OFFERTORY HYMN****624 Faith overcomes! The light of Christ is shining**

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

**COMMUNION HYMN****592 As the deer pants for the water****CLOSING HYMN****645 God is our strength and refuge****11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP**

Leader Rachel Robinson

Talk Emma Mavin

**2.00 pm Strawberry Tea at The Orchard, in aid of Mercy Ships, UK****6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)**

Readings: 2 Samuel 7:18-29 (*Page 290 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible*)  
 Luke 19:41-20:8 (*Page 80 of the New Testament in the pew Bible*)

Reader: Merryn Hughes

Office John Cooke

Preacher John Cooke

Hymns 448 I come with joy, a child of God  
 Psalm 63 (*Page 421 of the small Prayer Book*)  
 796 The Lord is King! Lift up thy voice  
 698 King of glory, King of peace  
 675 Immortal love, for ever full **Omit vv 4& 5**

**FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

- That we may be fertile soil in which the word of God can grow.
- All teachers and pupils preparing for the end of the school year
- Those involved in medical research
- The work of Christian Aid
- Alnwick Town Council

## WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.15 am	Holy Communion	
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Last Mini Michaels until September	
	7.00 pm	Baptism preparation meeting in church	
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.30 pm	Voicemale in Concert in the Parish Hall	See Notice Board
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11.00 am	Messy Church in Parish Hall	
	12 noon	Wedding of Robert Knowles and Lara Warner	

### Next Sunday                      23rd July The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 44:6-8	CW 262
		Romans 8:12-25	CW 263
		Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43	CW 263
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist	<i>Readings as for 8.00 am service</i>	
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship with Holy Communion		
4.00 pm	Evensong at St Bartholomew's, Whittingham		
	<i>Please note – NO Evensong at St Michael's on that day</i>		

St Michael's **FLOWER FESTIVAL** is drawing very near! This year the theme is 'Leisure' and we look forward to seeing many stunning arrangements.

- The **PREVIEW EVENING** is on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August and will be opened by our Archdeacon, the Venerable Peter Robinson. Tickets, price £5 to include a glass of wine and nibbles, are available from Pat Taylor.
- **RAFFLE PRIZES** would be gratefully received. Please leave them at the back of church or hand to a Churchwarden.
- The **BIG SING** will take place at 6.00 pm on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August. Please write down your favourite hymn on one of the orange slips and place in the box provided. When all are gathered in from the churches in the town we will sing those which have proved to be most popular.
- **POSTERS AND FLYERS** are available at the back of church. Please help in **making the event known** by delivering to shop and others public places.



We look forward to our outing to **WHITTINGHAM** for **EVENSONG, FOLLOWED BY TEA & CAKES**, next Sunday (23<sup>rd</sup> July) at **4.00 pm**. If you hope to come it would be helpful (for catering purposes) if you could sign the list at the back of church.

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 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Friday 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

The men's choir **VOICEMALE** are In Concert in the Parish Hall this week. There is still just time to get tickets to hear them in concert in our Parish Hall on Friday (21<sup>st</sup>) 7.30 pm (doors open at 6.45 pm) More details are on the church Notice Board. **Tickets, £5, are available** from Jean Darby or Alnwick Post Office.

**OUR SPONSORED WALK.** (approx 6 miles) takes place on **SATURDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER.** Do sign up as soon as possible if you would like to take part. Sponsor forms will be available very soon and we hope we will be able to raise a significant sum for church funds.



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 from one of the Churchwardens. A '**thank-you**' card has arrived from **JULIA, PAUL & RACHEL.** We have placed it on the Welcome Table for all to read. Do keep Julia in your prayers as the date of her licensing (31<sup>st</sup> July) draws near.

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

3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> August 10.00 am St Michael's Flower Festival

Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> September 10.00 am Sponsored Walk

**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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