



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK
17TH SEPTEMBER 2017
THE FOURTEENTH 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 **The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott**
Reader **Holly Petrie**

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. For older children and young people, Junior Church is in the Parish Room.

INTROIT HYMN **358 Be still, for the presence of the Lord**

1ST READING **Genesis 50: 15-21** **Reader: Emma Mavin**

(Page 49 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)

As the climax to the story of Joseph in Egypt, we are told how he forgives his brothers the wrong they did to him. Because he can now see how God has brought good out of evil, he goes beyond forgiveness to a practical concern for their well-being. In our Gospel, Jesus tells a parable of unlimited forgiveness.

2ND READING **Romans 14:1-12** **Reader: Honey Hughes**

(Page 158 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

Within any church, says Paul, there will be all sorts of people, to whom different things will have greater importance than for others. In all these matters of conscience, never judge who is right or wrong, better or worse, but respect other people's sincerity.

GRADUAL **669 I heard the voice of Jesus say**

THE GOSPEL **Matthew 18:21-35** (*Page 19 of the New Testament in the pew bible*)
A parable of Jesus teaches us what God is like: his whole nature is forgiveness and mercy. Just because he forgives us so much and loves us so much, we are to show these same graces in our lives.

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

PRAYERS **Intercessor Annette Playle**

OFFERTORY HYMN **766 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven**

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

COMMUNION HYMN **743 O God, beyond all praising**

CLOSING HYMN **453 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour**

11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Leader **Emma Mavin**
Talk **The Rev'd Canon Dennis Winter**
President **The Rev'd Canon Sue Allen**

2.30 pm BATTLE OF BRITAIN SERVICE IN CHURCH

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- That we may learn to forgive and to be forgiven
- Today's Battle of Britain Service
- All who visit St Michael's
- All caught up in flood and hurricanes
- Those who work in the Emergency Services

6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)

Readings: **Ezekiel 20:1-9, 33-44** (*Page 798 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible*)
 Acts 20:17-38 (*Page 137 of the New Testament in the pew Bible*)

Reader: **John Cooke**

Office **John Cooke**

Hymns **629 Father, hear the prayer we offer**
 Psalm 119, vv 41-48 (*Page 503 of the small Prayer Book*)
650 Great is thy faithfulness
790 Teach me, my God and King
13 At even, ere the sun was set

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

**Wednesday 20th 10.15 am Holy Communion for St Matthew,
Apostle and Evangelist**

Thursday 21st 9.30 am Mini Michaels in church



Next Sunday 24th September The 15th Sunday after Trinity

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Jonah 3:10 – 4:11	CW 311
		Philippians 1:21-30	CW 312
		Matthew 20:1-16	CW 313
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong, (BCP, 1662) Ezekiel 20:1-8, 33-44; Acts 20:17-38		

We look forward to our **HARVEST CELEBRATIONS** in a couple of weeks' time.

Our main celebrations will be on Sunday 1st October including Holy Communion at 8.00 am, our First Sunday Eucharist at 9.30 am and Harvest Evensong at 6.00 pm

We would be very glad of gifts of **Dried or Tinned Goods** with which to decorate the church, please – but, on this occasion, not perishable goods.

On Thursday 5th October St Michael's Primary School will be celebrating Harvest here in church at 2.00 pm and all members of St Michael's congregation are warmly invited to attend.

Then, on Sunday 8th October we will hold our **HARVEST SUPPER and AUCTION OF GOODS** in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm. Tickets for this are on sale now, cost £10 – please see Pat Taylor or Jean Darby to get yours and come along for an enjoyable evening!



 To all who supported our **SPONSORED WALK**, you will be pleased to hear that the total raised was £1287.00 Many thanks to all – the walkers and those who sponsored the participants.



An early reminder that our **MONTHLY SUNDAY LUNCHES** will recommence on Sunday 15th October. Do make a note of the date in your diary and come along to enjoy a scrumptious meal without any of the effort it takes to produce!

Many thanks to all those who came along and joined in to make light work of Friday's **BIG CLEAN**. Doesn't the Church look 'Spic and Span'? Your time and efforts are much appreciated.



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK, 2018. There is to be a meeting shortly of Christian Aid helpers/collectors to discuss this. If you have any comments, queries or suggestions to make – about the 2017 week, or next year, please contact Susan Trafford or Sue Wiltshire.

A message from Mary Frater, Chair of Christians Together in Alnwick:

On SATURDAY 7th OCTOBER, 2.00-4.30 pm in St Paul's Church, we are getting together, all ages young and older, to make a set of **NATIVITY FIGURES** for display in the Oxfam Shop over the Christmas period. Everyone is welcome, no matter what age, and, for adults, it would be helpful if you could please bring scissors suitable for fabric, if you have them.

These figures, and crib, will also feature on this year's Christmas Card, distributed to homes in Alnwick. We plan to have the crib and figures completed in time for them to go on display in Oxfam's shop window to coincide with the Alnwick Christmas Lights which will be switched on on FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Tues. 26 th	9.30 am	Gateway planning meeting – Parish Room
Saturday 30 th	10.30 am	Prepare for Harvest in church
Sunday 1 st October		Harvest Celebrations in church
Thurs. 5 th October	2.00 pm	St Michael's Primary School Harvest Thanksgiving in church
Sat 7 th October	2.00 pm	Christians Together in Alnwick: Nativity figures and Crib-making in St Paul's Church
Sunday 8 th Oct	6.00 pm	Choral Evensong sung by Colla Voce under the direction of the Rev'd Chris Clinch
	7.30 pm	Harvest Supper 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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