



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK
21ST MAY 2017. THE 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 and Preacher The Revd Julia Myles
Reader Win Nicol

9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST Setting: Mass of St Thomas

President The Rev'd Julia Myles

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, Junior Church is in the Parish Room



INTROIT HYMN 360 Bring to the Lord a glad new song

1ST READING Acts 17:22-31 Reader: Paul Jarvis
(Page 134 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

Paul's powerful preaching in the synagogues of Athens has made the local government take notice. His speech to the Council proclaims that all the Greek gods are mere shadows of the one true God who created all things in heaven and earth.

2ND READING 1 Peter 3:13-22 Reader: Pat Taylor
(Page 231 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

We have been hearing since Easter Day this writer's encouragement to Christian people, whom he now instructs to be always calm and courteous. If we suffer for our way of life, remember Christ did too, and through his suffering he has brought us, with all the past saints, into his eternal salvation.

GRADUAL 744 O God of Bethel, by whose hand

THE GOSPEL**John 14: 15-21***(Page 105 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*

Jesus promises his disciples that although the time must come for him to leave them, the Holy Spirit will be their comforter, and all those who keep faith with him will see him again.

SERMON**The Rev'd Julia Myles****PRAYERS****Intercessor Douglas Ramsay****OFFERTORY HYMN****685 Jesu, my Lord, my God, my all**

After the Offertory, the service continues with the Eucharistic Prayer which starts on page 8 of the Eastertide booklet

COMMUNION HYMN**451 Just as I am, without one plea****CLOSING HYMN****650 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father**

11.15 am	LATE MORNING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION, IN THE IONA STYLE
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	Leader Emma Mavin
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	President The Rev'd Canon Sue Allen
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6.00 pm	SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)
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Readings:**Zechariah 8:1-13***(Page 897 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)***Revelation 21:22-22:5***(Page 258 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)***Reader:****Stanley Trafford****Office****The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott****Preacher****The Rev'd Colin Perkins****Hymns****730 My God, I love thee; not because****Psalm 87** *(Page 457 of the small Prayer Book)***532 All creatures of our God and King** **Omit vv. 5 & 6****541 Lord of beauty, thine the splendour****11 As now the sun's declining rays****FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK****Give thanks for the 60th anniversary of Christian aid week.****Pray for the safety and well-being of all refugees.****Give thanks and pray for the future of the National Health Service.****Pray for those we know with mental health problems.****Pray for our bishops and archdeacons.**

Collect your Ascension to Pentecost Prayer Leaflet today!



Our Archbishops have asked us to dedicate ourselves to praying from Ascension Day to Pentecost. (Thursday 25th May – Sunday 4th June)
 Each day in St Catherine's Chapel there will be a new artwork, reflection and scripture passage for you and visitors to use any time the church is open (daily until 4.00 pm except when services are being held).

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wed 24 th	10.15 am	Holy Communion at ST MICHAEL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
Thurs 25 th	9.15 am	Mini Michaels in church
	7.30 pm	Ascension Day – Sung Eucharist in church
Sat 27 th	10.00 am	Tidy-up of Green Batt Rose Garden <i>See below</i>
	11.00 am	Messy Church in the Parish Hall

Next Sunday	28th May	The Seventh Sunday of Easter	
8.00 am	Holy Communion	Acts 1:6-14	CW 181
		1 Peter 4:12-14 & 5:6-11	CW 183
		John 17:1-11	CW 183
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist	<i>Readings as for 8.00 am service</i>	
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
3.00 pm	Holy Baptism		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong (BCP, 1662)	2 Samuel 23: 1-5	
		Ephesians 1:15-23	

Many thanks to all who have worked so hard to raise funds for **CHRISTIAN AID WEEK**: collectors, those who donated, Martin and Natasha's Coffee Morning, Mini Michael's, the young people who held Big Brekkies – at the Northumberland Hall and at our own Primary School. Amounts raised will be published when all totals are known.

Christians Together in Alnwick in partnership with Alnwick in Bloom work together to maintain the **GREEN BATT ROSE GARDEN**, over the wall from St Paul's church, as a place of beauty and peace where people can relax near the centre of town. This is a call for volunteers to do a bit of regular maintenance and a tidy up on Saturday 27th May at 10.00 a.m. for an hour or so; If you wish to know more please contact Charles Westendarp.

We are looking for a few volunteers to operate the **CHURCH PA SYSTEM**.

Paul Myles is offering a short (1 hour) training session for those interested in learning more. This can either take place during a weekday evening or Saturday morning. Please speak to Paul for details as soon as possible.

Julia, Paul & Rachel will move to New Alresford, Hampshire in the first week of July. Please do **COME & SAY FAREWELL** on Friday June 30th from 7.00 pm in the upstairs room of the Working Men's Club and on Sunday July 2nd there will be one service at 10.00 am followed by refreshments.



Our **Flower Festival** takes place in St Michael's at the beginning of August. Please stay behind after our First Sunday Eucharist on 4th June when we will have a **COFFEE MORNING & CAKE STALL** towards covering some of the costs of the Festival.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Thurs 1 st June	10.00 am	Funeral of Bill Bray
Sun 4 th June	11.00 am	Flower Festival Coffee Morning after First Sunday Eucharist
Thurs 8 th June	7.00 pm	Baptism Preparation in church
Sun 18 th June	11.15 am	Alnwick & District Choral Society invite you to 'Come and Sing' Mozart's Requiem at St Paul's Church <i>Application forms & details at the back of church</i>
Sun 3 rd July	10.00 am	First Sunday Eucharist – Julia's last Sunday at St Michael's.

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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