



**ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK**  
**22<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2017**  
**THE EIGHTEENTH 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**

President	The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
Preacher	John Cooke
Reader	Mora Rolley

**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.*



**INTROIT HYMN**      650    Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father

**1ST READING**      Isaiah 45:1-7-      Reader: Anne Harrison  
*(Page 684 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)*

The Bible always encourages us to think that God's work can be done even through those who do not know him, and that any government may be his agent of good. Isaiah teaches that God will work through Cyrus, the foreign and pagan king of Persia, to free and restore the Jews.

**2ND READING**      1 Thessalonians 1:1-10      Reader: Dee Ramsay  
*(Page 200 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)*

This is probably the earliest of all New Testament documents. Silvanus and Timothy had been with Paul on the mission to Thessalonica, and he now reflects on how marvellously the converts' lives had been changed as the Holy Spirit touched them.

**GRADUAL**      580    Judge eternal, throned in splendour

**THE GOSPEL**

**Matthew 22:15-22**

*(Page 23 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*

We continue to read Matthew’s account of Jesus challenged by religious authorities. Here, it is a trick question about secular authority, and where the primary loyalty of a religious person should be directed.

**SERMON** John Cooke

**PRAYERS** Intercessor Douglas Ramsay

**OFFERTORY HYMN** 423 And now, O Father, mindful of the love

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

**COMMUNION HYMN** 723 Loved with everlasting love

**CLOSING HYMN** 569 The kingdom of God is justice and joy

**11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP**

Leader The Rev’d Canon Sue Allen  
Talk The Rev’d Canon Dennis Winter

**2.00 pm HOLY BAPTISM *Please pray for:***

Cassandra Sydney Mawer  
Zachary George Horton



**6.00 pm A CELEBRATION OF WHOLENESS AND HEALING**

Officiant The Rev’d Canon Paul Scott  
Reader Vivienne Graves  
Hymns 621 Dear Lord and Father of mankind  
644 God is love: let heav’n adore him  
740 O changeless Christ, for ever new *Omit verse 5*  
669 I heard the voice of Jesus say



**BRITISH SUMMERTIME ENDS**

CLOCKS GO BACK BY 1 HOUR



A reminder that next Saturday night the clocks GO BACK ONE HOUR – Enjoy the rest and still be in good time for church!!

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- That our first loyalty may be to Christ
- The Church's ministry of healing
- St Michael's C. of E. Primary School, following it's 'Good' OFSTED inspection
- The West End Refugee Service
- More time for prayer and reflection

## WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wed 25th            10.15 am    Holy Communion

Sat 28th            7.30 pm    Candlelight Evening at Salvation Army Hall,  
Hotspur Street

### Next Sunday

29<sup>th</sup> October

### Bible Sunday

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Nehemiah 8:1-4a & 8-12	CW 368
		Colossians 3: 12-17	CW 369
		Matthew 24: 30-35	CW 370

9.30 am    Parish Eucharist

11.15 am    Late Morning Worship

6.00 pm	Sung Evensong, BCP 1662	Isaiah 55:1-11;	Luke 4:14-30
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Before we know it, **ADVENT** will be upon us! Amidst the busyness of the weeks leading up to Christmas we could all do with a space to reflect on the true meaning of the season. This year there is an opportunity to do so in a series of **ADVENT REFLECTIONS** on Tuesdays 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November and 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> December in the Parish Room, 2.30 – 4.00 pm (including refreshments). The themes will be Hope, Prepare, Joy, Love. Do come along!



If you have not yet returned your **CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOX** to church for emptying we would be glad if you could do it as soon as possible. It is particularly important that we try to deal with this quickly because of the old £1 coins being removed from circulation.

We look forward to another visit to St Michael's from the **NORTHUMBRIA SINFONIETTA** (under the baton of Bryan Jackson) on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 pm. The concert held in April was a huge success and this second one promises to be equally enjoyable, with music by Haydn, Beethoven, Strauss & Bizet. Admission (£10 at the door). Do tell your friends and neighbours and encourage them to come along. All proceeds are for church funds.





**Opportunity to give to ANGEL TREE.** In case you missed yesterday's Coffee Morning, which raised funds to provide Christmas presents for the children of parents in prison, there is a donation bowl at the back of church today.

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**HOLY ISLAND DAY - Saturday 25th November, 10am - 4pm**

Cost £8, soup and hot drinks provided, please bring a packed lunch. Please let Sue Allen know **TODAY** if you would like to come.

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The **WINTER MARKET** is fast approaching! There are fliers and posters at the back of church – please take some to distribute/display. Boxes are at the back of church for your donations of items to sell, including goods for the Tombola, Bottle stall, Crafts, Books & jigsaws. There will be the usual stalls but if you have any queries, please speak to one of the churchwardens.

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

Thurs 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	7.30 pm	Eucharist for All Souls
Saturday 4th Nov	2.00 pm 7.30 pm	Christmas Fair at Abbeyfield Care Home, South Road Northumbria Sinfonietta concert in church
Sunday 5th Nov		<b>All Saints Sunday</b> 8.00 am <b>Holy Communion</b> 9.30 am <b>First Sunday Eucharist</b> 6.00 pm <b>All Souls Memorial Service</b>
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00 am	St Michael's Winter Market in Parish Hall
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	2.30 pm 7.30 pm	Remembrance Day service in St Paul's Church Alnwick & District Choral Society: Remembrance Day concert in St Paul's Church
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00 am to 11.30 am	St James' URC Annual Autumn Coffee Morning in St James Church Hall, Pottergate

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