



**St Michael's Church, Alnwick**  
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Curate: The Rev'd Julia Myles  
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## **23<sup>rd</sup> November 2014 The Feast of Christ the King**

*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.*

<b>8.00 am</b>	<b>HOLY COMMUNION</b>
President	The Rev'd Julia Myles
Preacher:	The Rev'd Canon Alan Craig
Reader	Mora Rolley

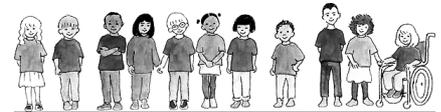
**9.30 am**                      **SUNG EUCHARIST**                      *Setting: Mass of St Cedd*

President                      The Rev'd Canon Alan Craig

**HYMN**                      345 Christ is the King! O friend rejoice

### **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).*



**1<sup>ST</sup> READING**                      **Ezekiel 34:11-16 & 20-24**                      **Reader: Patricia Kind**  
*(Page 817 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)*

David had been the great Shepherd-King, and the Jews longed for another King like him.

Today's Gospel will pick up the thought of the King as Shepherd.

We hear first from Ezekiel, preparing for a divine intervention into history, speaking of God himself as the gatherer of his flock into safety, under a worthy successor to David.

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING**                      **Ephesians 1:15-23**                      **Reader: Jean Darby**  
Paul's great hymn of prayer extols the power of God at work in all the faithful, and the Lord Jesus Christ raised up as king over all things.

*(Page 189 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

**GRADUAL**                      126 The King of love my shepherd is

**THE GOSPEL****Matthew 25:31-46*****(Page 27 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)***

Jesus speaks about the end of time, and the kingly power that will be seen in the coming of the Son of man. He reveals what the standard of judgement will be for entry into this kingdom – either we did, or did not, care for him as we find him in the needy.

**SERMON****The Rev'd Canon Alan Craig****PRAYERS****Intercessor: Anne Harrison****OFFERTORY HYMN****J15****Hail Redeemer, King divine!**

***After the Offertory, the service continues with Eucharistic Prayer E which starts on page 10 of the Kingdom Season booklet***

**COMMUNION HYMN****J12****From heaven you came, helpless babe****FINAL HYMN****146****Crown him with many crowns****11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP****Leaders: Michelle & Andrew Duff****Address: Andrew Duff****6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG *(According to the Book of Common Prayer 1662)***

**Readings:** 2 Samuel 23:1-7 *(p. 308 of the Old Testament in the pew bible)*  
 Matthew 28:16-20 *(p. 32 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*

**Reader: Patricia Kind****Office: The Rev'd Paul Scott****Preacher: The Rev'd Paul Scott**

**Hymns** 143 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
 Psalm 97 *(Page 470 of the small prayer book)*  
 139 Rejoice! The Lord is King  
 107 The Lord is King! Lift up thy voice  
 177 Thy kingdom come, O God

**FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...**

**That we may actively seek – and find – Christ in the needy  
 That we may use our God-given skills and gifts in his service  
 An end to violence in Jerusalem  
 Shepherds, Farmers & all who work on the land  
 Alnwick Infirmary**

***Morning Prayer is usually said in church at 8.30 am 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 24<sup>th</sup> 12 noon Funeral of Henry Brown  
Wed 26<sup>th</sup> 10.15 am **Holy Communion**  
Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> 9.15 am Mini Michaels  
12 noon Funeral of Hylida Edridge  
7.00 pm Back to Basics (6) at the home of Julia Myles

### **Next Sunday: 30th November The First Sunday of Advent**

*Common Worship Year B begins*

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Isaiah 64:1-9 1 Corinthians 1:3-9 Mark 13:24-37	(CW 377) (CW 378) (CW 379)
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist	<i>Readings as for 8.00 am worship</i>	
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong (BCP, 1662)	Isaiah 1:1-20; Matthew 21:1-13	

On the feast of Christ the King last year we gave thanks for responses to our FUNDING CAMPAIGN. This year, we invite you to think of the **SKILLS and GIFTS** you have been given by God and to consider, prayerfully, if they could be used in his service here at St. Michael's. Please don't wait to be asked! Already over 100 people help to ensure that our life here runs as smoothly and efficiently as possible but we need more help in several areas of church life.

Have you returned your **CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOX** yet?, If not, please will you bring it any time and leave it at the back of church for Sue Baines-Macneill (our new Children's Society co-ordinator) to collect and empty it. Alternatively please contact her on 01665 479365 if you would like her to collect your box or donation.  
Thank you.

Have YOU put your name on the list yet for the special evening on 29<sup>th</sup>? If not, please do so TODAY; this promises to be a most entertaining and light-hearted event, not to be missed! **VOICEMALE** is the name of a group from the Northumbrian Community who sing [mainly] local songs *a cappella*, and get willing participants joyfully singing along with them (Sing for their suppers??) Don't forget - Partsh Hall. Next Saturday (29<sup>th</sup> November) 7.30 pm **EVENING OF SINGING AND SUPPER**.  
£10 in advance, please, to Margaret Onions.



### HELPING TO FIND THE TWELFTH BISHOP OF NEWCASTLE

As preparations for the discernment of the next Bishop of Newcastle take place, the **Vacancy in See Committee** is charged with writing a Statement of Need which will be used to help to find the right person. To help inform the Committee with its work a survey has been created and this provides you with an opportunity to highlight the qualities and skills you would expect to find in the next Bishop of Newcastle.

YOUR opinion really does matter so please use this link to complete the survey:

**<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/newbishop>**

The survey will be closed at midnight on **Sunday 7th December 2014**.

**LET THE TWINNING BEGIN!** In case you missed the piece in the November edition of 'The Gateway', toilet twinning is all about bringing loos to the 40% of the world's population that does not have a clean, safe place to go to the toilet. We are hoping to 'twin' all our church loos. Each one will be £60, so, during Advent, which begins next week, would you be willing to pop £1 into the very appropriate receptacle that will be available during the next four weeks?

Thank you.

[www.toilettwinning.org](http://www.toilettwinning.org)

The ladies of **St Michael's, Alnwick Mother's Union** invite you all - women and men -and in particular all the women's groups in our town and churches to their annual **Advent Eucharist**. As we meet to reflect on the past year and look towards the year ahead, join us to give thanks, to pray for our world and to share a cuppa and Mince Pie!

**WED 10TH DEC 10.15 a.m. at ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH**

**Speaker -The Rev'd Julia Myles.**

Bring a photo, an item or a description of something you are thankful for this year.

Susan Trafford is making **CHRISTMAS CAKES** again this year. Prices are:

6" - £6; 7" - £8.75; 8" - £11.50, half of which goes to church funds. To order, please telephone her on 606180. Please note also that cakes can be made all year round – just ask!

A special request from our Flower Arrangers – for cash donations towards making St Michael's **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** look as spectacular as always. Please give your donation to Ann Brown, Enid Brown or Pat Taylor. In addition, offers of greenery from your garden (especially holly) will be much appreciated.

Members of the congregation may like to know that we have received a letter of grateful thanks from **CHURCH ARMY** for our donation of £450 towards their work in Newcastleton.

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

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 6.30 pm Hospice Care – Advent Concert in The Duke's Chapel

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Dec 6.30 pm Hospice Care – Light up a Life at Castleside House, Narrowgate

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