



ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK

25TH OCTOBER 2015. BIBLE SUNDAY

WELCOME!

A very warm welcome to St Michael's – especially if you are with us for the first time or are on holiday. 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 – simply bow your head.

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 Colin Perkins
Preacher Valerie Pomfret
Reader: Hilary Atkin

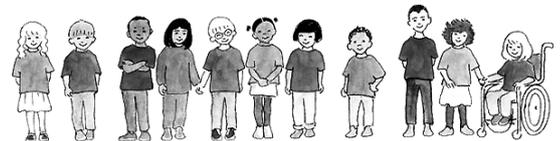
9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST

Setting: Mass of St Cedd

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 and young people, Junior Church takes place in the Parish Room.



INTROIT HYMN 810 Thou, whose almighty word

1ST READING Psalm 19: 7-14 Reader: Patricia Kind
(Page 510 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)

The psalmist here extols the usefulness of scripture in giving insight and wisdom.

2ND READING 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 Reader: Anne Harrison
(Page 210 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

A Christian leader writing to another emphasises the place of scripture as the inspiration for teaching and our guide to holy living.

GRADUAL HYMN 383 Lord, thy word abideth

THE GOSPEL**John 5:36b-47*****(Page 93 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)***

Those Jews who opposed Jesus could not accept his interpretation of their scriptures. He pleads with them to believe him and see how much the ancient writings point to him as the one sent from God.

SERMON**Valerie Pomfret****PRAYERS****Intercessor Margaret Onions****OFFERTORY HYMN****390 Thanks to God whose word was spoken**

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

COMMUNION HYMN**389 Spirit of God, unseen as the wind****FINAL HYMN****507 We have a Gospel to proclaim****11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP****Leader Rachel Robinson****Preacher Valerie Pomfret**

**2.00 pm HOLY BAPTISM *Please pray for:*
Harvey Michael Millichamp**

6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)

Readings: 2 Timothy 2:1-7 *(p.209 of the Old Testament in the pew bible)*
 Luke 18:9-14 *(p. 78 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*

Reader: Vivienne Graves**Office Trevor Porteous****Preacher Trevor Porteous****Hymns 696 Jesus, where'er thy people meet****Psalm 119, vv 1-16 *(Page 500 of the small Prayer Book)*****384 O Christ the Word incarnate****381 God in his wisdom, for our learning****691 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun**

This morning, between 9.30 and 11.15 am services, there will be a short meeting in church for all Winter Market stallholders.

Mon 26th 7.00 pm Faith and Life (Session 5) at the Vicarage

Wed 28th 10.15 am **Holy Communion for the Feast of Ss Simon and Jude**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...

That we may recognise the Bible as the inspired word of God

West End Refugee Service

Preparations for our Winter Market

The Emergency Services

Margaret & Jean, our Churchwardens

Next Sunday 1st November All Saints' Sunday

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Psalm 33:1-5 Hebrews 12:18-24 Matthew 5:1-12	(CW 710) (CW 711) (CW 711)
9.30 am	First Sunday Eucharist		
2.00 pm	Holy Baptism		
6.00 pm	All Souls' Memorial Service		

Next Sunday evening (at 6.00 pm) we will hold our annual **ALL SOULS' MEMORIAL SERVICE** when we invite the families of those who have had a funeral over the last twelve months. The recently departed will be prayed for by name and a candle lit in their memory. It would be very good if St Michael's folk could be present to welcome our visitors and witness to our Resurrection faith.

'Operation Christmas Child' - Annual Shoebox Appeal This is the world's largest children's Christmas project, run by Samaritan's Purse. Last year 850,000 shoebox gifts were sent from the UK contributing to the more than 10 million distributed to children all over the world, some of whom may never have received a gift before. If you would like to pack a shoebox gift for a child then now is the time to do so! Leaflets at the back of the church give all necessary details. Packed shoeboxes should be taken to 'Handi Stationery' (Alnwick Market Place) between 1st and 18th November.



The first batch of **CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES** emptied yielded over £200, which augurs well for the final total. Thank you to those who have already handed them in. All should be emptied in by the end of this month so, if you haven't yet done so, please bring your box to church as soon as possible.

What an amazing response to our appeal for warm clothing and bedding for the West End Refugee Service in Newcastle. Yet another car load has been delivered this week and a special plea was made for **WARM CLOTHING FOR MEN**. If you can help, please don't hesitate to drop things off at the Vicarage.



It is now only three weeks to the **WINTER MARKET**. Please do all you can to help and support this, our major fund-raising event. **Raffle tickets are still available** at the back of church so please take some to buy and to sell to friends & neighbours. Please think about what you could give, bake or make to help make the Market a success.

Don't forget the **NORTHUMBRIA SINFONIETTA** concert here in St Michael's on **Saturday 7th November at 7.30 pm**. in aid of church funds. Admission £10 (payable at the door). We will need help in the evening for the raffle and to serve wine (in return for a donation) and, also, donations of afternoon tea items are needed to provide refreshments for the musicians between rehearsal and performance. If you can help, please speak to a churchwarden.

Proposed **PILGRIMAGE TO ASSISI MAY 2016**. Further details are now available for those who expressed interest and any others who may wish to join us. Dates are 12th-18th May, cost likely to be about £820. If you are interested, please leave a message for Jane on the Vicarage answerphone.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Mon 2 nd Nov	9.30 am	All Souls' Day Requiem Eucharist
Sat 7 th	2.00 pm	Embroiderers' Guild in Parish Hall <i>See poster for details</i>
	7.30 pm	Northumbria Sinfonietta Concert in St Michael's. <i>See above</i>
Sun 8 th	Between 9.30 and 11.15 services – Winter Market Stallholders meeting in church – to ensure all last minute details are sorted.	
Time tbc	2.00 pm	Remembrance Day Service in St Paul's Church, followed by Wreath Laying at the War Memorial.
	7.30 pm	Alnwick Choral Society: Remembrance Day Concert in St Paul's Church. Tickets £10 at the door on the night
Wed 11 th	12 noon	Soup & Cake Lunch in Parish Hall
Sat 14 th Nov	9.30 am	St Michael's Winter Market in the Northumberland 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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