



# St Michael's Church, Alnwick

Vicar: The Rev'd Paul Scott  
Curate: The Rev'd Julia Myles

**26 January 2014. The Conversion of Paul**

*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.*

**8.00 am          HOLY COMMUNION**

President & Preacher    The Rev'd Canon Alan Craig  
Reader:                    Mora Rolley

**9.30 am                  PARISH EUCHARIST          *Setting: Mass of St Thomas***

President                    The Rev'd Canon Alan Craig

**HYMN                    149                    Ye servants of God, your master proclaim**

## **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.*

**1<sup>ST</sup> READING                    Jeremiah 1:4-10                    Reader: Tom Ochocinski**  
**(Page 708 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible)**

Like Paul centuries later, Jeremiah found himself directly confronted by the God who challenges, calls and enables people to speak for him wherever he may need them to go.

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING                    Acts 9:1-22                    Reader: Catherine Hughes**  
**(Page 123 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)**

God sometimes calls unlikely men and women to his service. Even Saul, the vigorous opponent of those who followed the way of the Lord, may meet Jesus along his way. So Saul became Paul, a powerful witness to the Saviour of all.

**GRADUAL                    70                    It is a thing most wonderful          *Omit verses 3, 4 & 5***

**THE GOSPEL****Matthew 19:27-30***(Page 20 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)*

Jesus says that those who, for his sake, are prepared to give up everything of their former life, will find generous rewards in his kingdom.

**SERMON****The Rev'd Canon Alan Craig****PRAYERS****Intercessor: Trevor Porteous****OFFERTORY HYMN****395****Lord of all power, I give you my will**

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

**COMMUNION HYMN****272****O God unseen yet ever near****FINAL HYMN****336****All my hope on God is founded**

<b>11.15 am</b>	<b>LATE MORNING WORSHIP</b>	<i>Encountering Jesus</i>
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**Leader****The Rev'd Canon Sue Allen****Address****The Rev'd Julia Myles****6.00 pm****SUNG EVENSONG***(According to the Book of Common Prayer 1662)***Readings:****Isaiah 56:1-8***(p. 696 of the Old Testament in the pew bible)***Colossians 1:24-2:7** *(p. 197 of the New Testament in the pew bible)***Reader:****Catherine Hughes****Office & Preacher****Trevor Porteous****Hymns****307****Palms of glory, raiment bright****Psalm****33***(Page 383 of the small prayer book)***249****Take my life, and let it be****157****Breathe on me, breath of God****143****Jesus shall reign where'er the sun**

After tonight's Evensong, at 7.00 pm approx, there will be sparkling wine, fruit juice and light refreshments to celebrate the engagement of Paul and Jane

**FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK...****That we will allow Christ to make a difference in our lives****The meeting of our Mission Group on Wednesday****Alnwick Infirmary****Elizabeth, our Queen**

All who work for peace and justice

## WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

*Morning Prayer is usually said in church at 8.30 am and Evening Prayer at 5.00 pm, from Tuesday to Saturday, except for Wednesday morning. You will be most welcome to join us for these times of prayer and bible reading.*

- Tues 28<sup>th</sup>      9.30 am Gateway planning meeting in Parish Room  
                  7.00 pm Mini Michaels review meeting in the Small Hall
- Wed 29<sup>th</sup>      10.15 am Holy Communion  
                  12.30 pm Funeral of William (Bill) Miller in church  
                  2.00 pm Mission Group meeting at 16 Robert Adam Court
- Thurs 30<sup>th</sup>     9.30 am Mini-Michaels at St Michael's (for 0-5s and their grown-ups)  
                  1.30 pm Finance Group meeting at the Vicarage

### ***Next Sunday: 2<sup>nd</sup> February The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)***

8.00 am	Holy Communion	Malachi 3:1-5 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40	(CW 56) (CW 57) (CW 57)
9.30 am	First Sunday Eucharist		
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong	(BCP, 1662) Haggai 2:1-9;	John 2:18-22

*Please note that the Vicar's day off is Monday*

*He would be pleased to be spared all but the most urgent matters on this day.*

*The Curate's normal working days are Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday*

**CHURCH STEWARDING:** we are looking for volunteers who can spare three hours of their time, once a fortnight, to help us keep the church open to visitors. If you feel you could help in this most interesting and rewarding occupation then please add your name to the list at the back of Church. We are open 7 days a week 1–4pm from April 1<sup>st</sup> – end of September. There is also a Reserve list if you cannot commit to once a fortnight.

### **TODAY IS YOUR LAST CHANCE!**

So far this year 50 of us have entered the Parish Hall Draw for 2014. If you have not yet entered for the draw and you would like to be eligible for the January and February draws, you need to sign up **TODAY**, because the January and February draws will be made next week. **Act now before it's too late!**

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We will be having **SOUP AND CAKE LUNCHES** in the Parish Room on the second Wednesday of each month, starting 12<sup>th</sup> February at 12 noon. The cost per person hasn't yet been fixed but shouldn't be more than £3 per person. Does this sound like your 'cup of tea'? If so, add your name to the list at the back of church to indicate that you are interested (no obligation – we just need some idea of how many people might be there).

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Starting February 4<sup>th</sup>, and on the first Tuesday of each month thereafter, there will be a **CRAFTERS GET-TOGETHER** in the Small Hall, for 2 hours from 2.00 pm. If you have any ideas, projects, materials, or are just interested – please do come along and join in.

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The **2014 FLOWER ROTA** is now in the 'Duty Book'. Many thanks to those who regularly sponsor altar floral arrangements – your generosity is much appreciated. There are, however, many un-booked weeks so, if there is an occasion or person you would like to have remembered or celebrated, please enter your name in one of the boxes on the rota. You may choose to provide your own or to donate cash for flowers. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this, please speak to Ann Brown (602700) or Enid Brown (604659).

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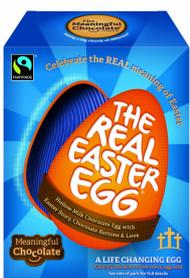
We have a wonderful time at **MINI-MICHAELS** every Thursday morning, with an average of 35 babes and tots. Some more helpers to move chairs and set up between 9-9.30 and 11-11.30 would be much appreciated...and stay for a cuppa if you like! Please let Julia know if you could help occasionally. The next review meeting for Mini Michaels is on Tuesday (JAN 28<sup>th</sup>) and please note it is in the SMALL HALL of the Parish Hall at 7pm for up to one hour.



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The February edition of The Gateway is now on sale at the back of church. Would distributors please take their bundles to deliver and, at the same time, collect the annual payment of £5 from each subscriber.

If you usually pick up a copy from church, would you perhaps like to have it delivered to your home each month? This represents good value for money since delivery is free and you get 11 issues for your 'fiver'. If you would like your copy of Gateway delivered, please have a word with Hilary Atkin, Joan Dunn or Colin Perkins.



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Did you order a **REAL EASTER EGG** last year? It's that time again this year – Hilary Atkin has kindly offered to order these for members of St Michael's; if you would like one or more, please have a look at the poster on the notice board to make your choice, then add your name and details to the list at the back of church by **16<sup>th</sup> February** at the latest. There is more information about these on page 7 of the February Gateway, including details of how to place your own order if you prefer..

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