



**ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, ALNWICK**  
**29TH OCTOBER 2017**  
**BIBLE SUNDAY**

**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 and Preacher**            **The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott**  
**Reader**                                **Win Nicol**

**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**            **810 Thou whose almighty word**

**1ST READING**            **Nehemiah 8:1-4a [5-6] 8-12**            **Reader: John Sawyer**  
*(Page 449 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)*

Jews returning to Jerusalem from exile had repaired the city walls and restored the damaged Temple. Now they must rebuild their lives. Where better to look for direction and inspiration than the holy books of the Law, once lost but now recovered.

**2ND READING**            **Colossians 3:12-17**            **Reader: Emma Mavin**  
*(Page 199 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)*

The Gospel of Christ can be seen as the rich clothing of our spirit, for it dwells within us. Paul says we are to teach each other its richness of love and peace, as we live and worship together.

**GRADUAL**            **549 The heavens declare thy glory, Lord**

**THE GOSPEL****Matthew 24:30-35***(Page 26 of the New Testament in the pew bible)*

The Gospel contains some stark warnings about the coming of the Son of Man at the end of time, but Jesus promises that the Word of the Lord will remain for ever.

**SERMON****The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott****PRAYERS****Intercessor Patricia Kind****OFFERTORY HYMN****563 Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets**

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

**COMMUNION HYMN****433 Broken for me, broken for you****CLOSING HYMN****805 There is a redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son****11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP****Leader****Michelle Duff****Talk****Andrew Duff****6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)**

**Readings:** Isaiah 55:1-11 *(Page 696 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)*  
 Luke 4:14-30 *(Page 59 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)*

**Reader:** Stanley Trafford

**Office:** The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

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**Hymns** 507 We have a gospel to proclaim  
 Psalm 119, vv.89-104 *(Page 506 of the small Prayer Book)*  
 390 Thanks to God whose word was spoken  
 383 Lord, thy word abideth  
 727 May the mind of Christ my Saviour

**FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

- That God's word may be our inspiration
- The 'Prayer Spaces' project in St Michael's School this week
- Mutual respect of our fellow men and women
- Those who will find the dark nights a challenge
- The National Health Service

## WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tues 31<sup>st</sup> Oct      9.30 am      Gateway planning meeting in Parish Room

**Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Nov**                      **All Saints Day**  
    **10.15 am**      **Holy Communion with the Leopards (Yr 5) of**  
                         **St Michael's School**



Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov      9.30 am      Mini Michaels in church  
    **7.30 pm**      **Eucharist for All Souls Day**

Saturday 4th Nov                      2.00 pm      Christmas Fair at Abbeyfield Care Home, South Road  
    **7.30 pm**      **Northumbria Sinfonietta concert in church**

Next Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup> November	All Saints Sunday	
8.00 am	Holy Communion	Revelation 7:9-17	CW 343
		1 John 3:1-3	CW 344
		Matthew 25:1-12	CW 344
9.30 am	First Sunday Eucharist		
6.00 pm	All Souls Memorial Service		

This Thursday (2<sup>nd</sup> November) is **ALL SOULS' DAY** when the Church remembers the faithful departed. There will be a Requiem Eucharist at 7.30 pm. If you are planning to be there and wish to have names of loved one read out in the course of the service, please add them to the list at the back of church.

Next Sunday (5<sup>th</sup> November) is **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**. The Saints will be our theme at 8.00 am and at our First Sunday Eucharist at 9.30 am.

In the evening (at 6.00 pm) we will hold our annual Thanksgiving For The Departed. All families who have had a bereavement in the past year have been invited to this occasion when the names of their loved ones will be read out and a candle lit in their memory. Please do come along to this service to provide a welcome for those who respond to the invitation and to witness to our resurrection faith.



**ADVENT** will soon 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!

We look forward to another visit to St Michael's from the **NORTHUMBRIA SINFONIETTA** (under the baton of Bryan Jackson) **this coming Saturday** at 7.30 pm. Admission (£10 at the door). Do tell your friends and neighbours and encourage them to come along. All proceeds are for church funds.



The **WINTER MARKET** is only 2 weeks away! 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: Jewellery, Mystery Parcels, the Tombola, Bottle stall, Crafts, Books & jigsaws. **Raffle tickets** should be available today – please take some to sell to friends, family and neighbours. Home-baked goods should be delivered to the Hall on the morning of the sale. If you have any queries, please speak to one of the churchwardens.



November's edition of Gateway is now available at the back of church, for sale/distribution.

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

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| Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | 10.00 am                | <b>St Michael's Winter Market</b> in Parish Hall  |
| Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov     | 2.30 pm<br>7.30 pm      | Remembrance Day service in St Paul's Church<br>Alnwick & District Choral Society:<br>Remembrance Day concert in St Paul's Church                          |
| Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | 10.00 am<br>to 11.30 am | St James' URC Annual Autumn Coffee Morning<br>in St James Church Hall, Pottergate   |
| <b>Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Nov</b> | <b>2.30 pm</b>          | <b>First in the series of four 'Advent Reflections' in the Parish Room. Also on 28<sup>th</sup> Nov and 5<sup>th</sup> &amp; 12<sup>th</sup> December</b> |
| Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov., | 10am - 4pm              | Parish Day on Holy Island   |



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