

Welcome to St Michael's Church, Alnwick



Sunday 7TH October 2018 Harvest Festival

A particular welcome if you are with us for the first time.
Please do stay behind after the 9.30 am service today 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, to come forward for a blessing.

*Large print books are available, please ask a sidesperson.
We have a Loop System: please switch your hearing aid to the T position.*

8.00 am HOLY COMMUNION – in St Paul's Chapel

President & Preacher The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
Reader Win Nicol

9.30 am FIRST SUNDAY EUCHARIST *(with children and young people in church)*

President and Talk The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Hymns

290 We plough the fields and scatter
287 Praise and thanksgiving
533 All things bright and beautiful
650 Great is thy faithfulness
546 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder

1ST READING Joel 2:21-27

(Page 862 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)

Although most of this prophetic writing is of doom and ruin, the poetry also has its inspiring affirmation of God's love, to be shown in abundant harvests that produce more than enough for all.

2ND READING **1 Timothy 2:1-7** *at 8.00 am only*
(Page 205 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

Some of this passage is probably a quotation from an early Christian liturgy. We are urged to pray for the world and its leaders, that the church may live in peace and all find the truth in Christ.

THE GOSPEL **Matthew 6:25-33**
(Page 6 of the New Testament in the pew bible)

Jesus pronounces the natural world to be full of wonder, full of food and drink for its creatures and splendid to look at. We should praise God for his bounty and try to set aside worries about our future.

6.00 pm **SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)**

Readings: **Deuteronomy 8:7-18**
(Page 172 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)
Luke 12:16-30
(Page 71 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

Reader: Patricia Kind

Office The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Preacher The Rev'd Martin Turner

Hymns **282** Come, ye thankful people come
Psalm 65 *(Page 423 of the small Prayer Book)*
289 To thee, O Lord, our hearts we raise
290 We plough the fields and scatter
727 May the mind of Christ my Saviour

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- That we may share the resources of God's world more fairly
- Those suffering as a result of the disaster in Indonesia
- Farmers and all who work on the land
- Justin & Sentamu, our Archbishops
- Alnwick & District Foodbank

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon 8 th	2.30 pm	Afternoon Autumn Study Group at 30 Green Batt
	7.30 pm	Craft Group at the home of Jane Brown
Tuesday 9 th	7.00 pm	St. Michael's Bowls Club in the Parish Hall
Wed 10 th	10.15 am	Holy Communion
Thurs 11 th	9.30 am	Mini Michaels
	7.00 pm	Baptism Preparation in church
	7.30 pm	Autumn (Evening) Study Group at the home of Patricia Kind

Next Sunday 14th October The 20th Sunday after Trinity

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| 8.00 am | Holy Communion | Amos 5:6-7 & 10-15
Hebrews 4:12-16
Mark 10:17-31 | CW 693
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| 9.30 am | Parish Eucharist | | |
| 11.15 am | Harvest Festival at Denwick | | |
| 11.15 am | Late Morning Worship | | |
| 2.00 pm | Holy Baptism | | |
| 6.00 pm | A Celebration of Wholeness and Healing | | |

Tonight, at 6.00 pm we will hold a traditional **HARVEST EVENSONG**. This is always a lovely occasion with well-loved harvest hymns. Even if you don't normally come to the evening service, please consider doing so tonight. Afterwards, in the Parish Hall, we will hold our **HARVEST SUPPER** and Auction of fruit and vegetables. All proceeds from this evening will be sent to support **WATER AID**. The tins and dried goods will be donated to **ALNWICK & DISTRICT FOOD BANK**.



Unfortunately, due to 'circumstances beyond our control', this month's meeting of the **MOTHERS' UNION** has had to be cancelled. Apologies for the short notice and we look forward to seeing everyone at our November meeting at 2.00 pm on Wednesday 14th.

Next Sunday (14th) we will have one of our twice-yearly services using the Churches Ministry of Healing. **A CELEBRATION OF WHOLENES AND HEALING** will replace Evensong at 6.00pm and will include, for those who wish, the Laying on of Hands and Anointing. Many have commented on the beauty and devotional nature of this service. If you've not been before you may like to consider coming along.



Mini Michaels. Are you available to help serving tea/coffee at **MINI MICHAELS**? We are short of about 3 people. If you would like to help, please have a word with Anne Harrison. Mini Michaels meet on Thursdays between 9.30 and 11.00 am in church.

Thanks, folks! You will be pleased to know that Annette Playle has had her plaster cast removed and her ankle has healed. She wishes to give thanks to everybody for their prayers and good wishes over the last few weeks.

A note for all Abba Fans! There is to be a **MAMMA MIA EVENING** in Whittingham Memorial Institute on Friday 19th October at 7.00 pm. Join in watching the film, singing the songs and enjoy a Greek-style supper. Tickets are £7.50, and proceeds will be shared between the **GREAT NORTH AIR AMBULANCE** and **ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH**. If interested, please have a word with Paul.

This month is the time for **CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES** to be brought to church for the annual count. Please bring yours as soon as possible and by 28th October at the latest. If you don't have one of these and would like one, please have a word with Lynne Moir.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Sun 21 st	12.30 pm	Sunday Lunch re-commences in the Parish Hall
	3.30 pm	St Michael's Young People: Bake-Off in the Parish Hall
Sat 27 th	11.00 am – 1.00pm	Messy Church <u>in Church</u>
Fri 2 nd Nov.	9.30 am	All Souls' Day Requiem Eucharist
Sun 4 th Nov.	6.00 pm	All Souls Memorial Service
Mon 12 th Nov.	7.30pm	PCC meeting in the Small Hall
Sat 17 th Nov	10.00am	St Michael's WINTER MARKET in the Parish 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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Curate: The Rev'd Gerard Rundell

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