

Welcome to St Michael's Church, Alnwick



Sunday 13th January 2019 The Baptism of Christ

A particular welcome if you are with us for the first time.
Please do stay behind after the 9.30 am and 11.15 am services 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	The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
Preacher	The Rev'd Gerard Rundell
Reader	Mora Rolley

9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST

INTROIT HYMN 103 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness

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.*



1ST READING Isaiah 43:1-7 Reader: John Sawyer

(Page 682 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)

Whatever adversity comes upon us, wrote the prophet, we are to have no fear.
We may be reminded of baptism by his words about passing through water
and God knowing us by name. Every one of us is precious to God and loved by
him.

2ND READING **Acts 8:14-17** **Reader: Jean Darby**
(Page 123 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

Jews hated Samaritans, who claimed God for themselves. So when the Gospel first spread beyond Jerusalem, it was significant that Philip's preaching was effective in Samaria. Peter and John were sent to confirm this was true, and lay hands on the converts.

GRADUAL **247 Holy Spirit, gift bestower**

THE GOSPEL **Luke 3:15-17 & 21-22**
(Page 57 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible)

John the Baptist points always to the greater one whose way he was preparing and promises a different kind of baptism from his. Jesus submits himself to John, for baptism and prayer.

SERMON **The Rev'd Gerard Rundell**

Procession to Font

The sinless one to Jordan came – page 17 of Epiphany booklet

Procession from Font:

How blest that mission then begun - page 20 of Epiphany booklet

PRAYERS **Intercessor The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott**

OFFERTORY HYMN **99 Hail to the Lord's anointed *Omit verse 5***

COMMUNION HYMN **463 Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands**

CLOSING HYMN **646 God is working his purpose out**

11.15 am HOLY COMMUNION AT DENWICK

President **The Rev'd Colin Perkins**
Preacher: **The Rev'd Gerard Rundell**



11.15 am LATE MORNING WORSHIP

Leader **The Rev'd Canon Sue Allen**
Talk **Anthony O'Neill**

6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)

Readings: Isaiah 55:1-11 *Page 696 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible*
Romans 6:1-11 *Page 152 of the New Testament in the pew Bible*

Reader: John Sawyer

Officiant The Rev'd Colin Perkins

Preacher Annette Playle

Hymns 786	Sweet is the work, my God, my King
Psalm 46	<i>(page 403 in the small prayer book)</i>
335	My God, accept my heart this day
248	Holy Spirit, hear us; help us while we sing
17	Hail, gladdening Light

Tues 15th 7.30 pm PCC in the Small Hall

Wed 16th 10.15 am Holy Communion

Thurs 17th *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins – see page 4 for details*

Sat 19th 11.00 am Messy Church in St Michael's

Sun 20th 12.30 pm Sunday Lunch in the Parish Hall
Returning after the Christmas/New Year break!

Next Sunday 20th January The 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

8.00 am Holy Communion, BCP	Isaiah 62:1-5	CW 778
	1 Corinthians 12:1-11	CW 779
	John 2:1-11	CW 779

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

11.15 am Late Morning Worship

6.00 pm Sung Evensong, BCP 1662
1 Samuel 3:1-20; Ephesians 4:1-16

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- Thanks to God for our baptism
- The unity of all Christian people
- The Gallery Youth Project and Community NE66
- All who work for peace and justice
- Peter, our Archdeacon & Alison our Area Dean

MINI MICHAEL'S. All helpers at Mini Michael's are invited to a soup and sandwich lunch at 12 Noon on Thursday 17 January at the home of Alan and Marjorie Craig. It will be an opportunity to share thoughts and ideas for the present and the future.

This week sees the start of the **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** – running from Thursday 17th to Thursday 24th January. As usual, there will be a short Act of Worship each day as follows:

Date	Venue	Time	
Thurs 17 th	Methodist Church	11.00 am	
Fri 18 th	Salvation Army	11.00 am	
Sat 19 th	St James' URC	11.00 am	
Sun 20 th	St James Shilbottle	6.00 pm	Songs of Praise
Mon 21 st	Baptist Church	6.00 pm	
Tues 22 nd	Quakers (at URC)	6.00 pm	
Wed 23 rd	St Paul's RC	11.00 am	
Thurs 24 th	St Michael's	6.00 pm	

Saturday 26th January. 11.00 am to 4.00 pm An Exhibition in the Parish Hall, to mark and celebrate the **21 YEARS OF THE SPITAK PROJECT**. There will be the opportunity to watch a slide show and listen to radio podcasts & music, craft and pictures available for a donation. Nibbles and coffee.

The **MISSION GROUP** will be meeting with a new agenda on Tuesday 29th January at 7.30pm. We will meet once a month for the next 6 months or so to think and pray about our mission together as a church, hoping to discern ways we can show God's saving love to our community of Alnwick. Please speak to Gerard if you're interested in contributing. The more voices the better!

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.

Vicar: The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Curate: The Rev'd Gerard Rundell

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