

Welcome to St Michael's Church, Alnwick



Sunday 24th February 2019 The Second Sunday before Lent

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	John Cooke
Reader	Mora Rolley

9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST

INTROIT HYMN 754 O worship the King, all glorious above

President The Rev'd Colin Perkins

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 Genesis 2:4b-9 & 15-25 Reader: Richard Dale
(Page 2 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)

Today's readings all illuminate our understanding of God as Creator. In the ancient saga of the world's creation, human beings are the last and greatest thing God made, and he gave men and women responsibility to care for all other living things and the earth itself.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- That, in the storms of life, we may know the peace of Christ
- For greater stability in Parliament
- Jean & Pat, our Churchwardens
- Alnwick & District Foodbank
- All who are preparing for marriage

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tues 26 th	7.00 pm	St Michael's Bowls Club in the Parish Hall
	7.30 pm	Mission Group meeting at 10 Allernburn Lea
Wed 27 th	10.15 am	Holy Communion
Thurs 28 th	7.30 pm	'Onward Call' discussion and prayer Homegroup
Fri 1 st Mar.	7.30 pm	World Day of Prayer at Alnwick Baptist Church
Sat 2 nd Mar.	10.00 am	Invitation to come and 'choose a picture' in return for a donation (see below)

Next Sunday	3 rd March	The Sunday next before Lent	
8.00 am	Holy Communion	Exodus 34:39-35	CW 807
		2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2	CW 808
		Luke 9:28-36	CW 809
9.30 am	First Sunday Eucharist		
6.00 pm	Sung Evensong, BCP 1662	Exodus 3:1-6	
		John 12:27-36a	

INVITATION TO ATTEND WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. This year Alnwick Baptist Church is hosting the annual "World Day of Prayer" at 7:30 pm on Friday 1st March. It is written by the women of Slovenia and is entitled: "Come, everything is ready". We will hear from the women of their stories from living in a Socialist Communist State until the present day. We hope that as many of you as possible will attend.

In aid of ST MICHAEL'S TOWER PROJECT and the Playhouse restoration. An **INVITATION** to choose a picture (in return for a donation) on Saturday March 2nd at 1 Prudhoe Street from 10.00-12.00. Come and bring your friends to have a coffee and view! Items from Spitalk will also be available.



Do make a note of our **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE PARTY** which will be in the Parish Hall on Tuesday evening (5th March). This is always an enjoyable, not-to-be-missed, evening including delicious savoury and sweet pancakes. If you plan to be there, please add your name **TODAY** to the list at the back of church

Please could you bring last year's **PALM CROSS** back to church next week so that it, along with others, can be used to make the ashes in preparation for **ASH WEDNESDAY** which falls on 6th March. This is the first day of Lent and a day when all Christians should make an effort to be in church and receive Holy Communion There will be the usual celebration at 10.15 am and a Sung Eucharist at 7.30 pm. Both services will include the Imposition of Ashes for those who wish.



Many of you will have read in the current edition of 'Gateway' that we have now received permission for the removal of pews from the north aisle and at the front and rear of the nave. We have already had some interest from outside the parish for the purchase of some of the 8' pews from the north aisle. if anyone is interested in purchasing one or more of the pews please speak to either Jean Darby or Pat Taylor: they are available at £100 each.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Tues. 5 th March	7.00 pm	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party in the Parish Hall
Wed. 6 th March		ASH WEDNESDAY
	10.15 am	Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes
	and 7.30 pm	

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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