

Welcome to St Michael's Church, Alnwick



Sunday 3rd March 2019 The Sunday next before Lent

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 The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
Preacher The Rev'd Gerard Rundell
Reader Mora Rolley

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

President The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
Talk The Rev'd Gerard Rundell

Hymns

Praise the Lord, His glories show, Alleluia!
Saints within his courts below, Alleluia!
Angels round his throne above, Alleluia!
All that see and share his love. Alleluia!

Praise the Lord, his mercies trace; Alleluia!
Praise his providence and grace, Alleluia!
All that he for us has done, Alleluia!
All he sends us through his Son. Alleluia!

Earth to heaven, and heaven to earth,
Alleluia!
Tell his wonders, sing his worth, Alleluia!
Age to age and shore to shore, Alleluia!
Praise him, praise him evermore! Alleluia!

Strings and voices, hands and hearts,
Alleluia!
In the concert bear your parts; Alleluia!
All that breathe, your Lord adore, Alleluia!
Praise him, praise him, evermore! Alleluia!

723 Loved with everlasting love
719 Lord, the light of your love is shining
422 Alleluia, sing to Jesus
652 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer

1ST READING Exodus 34:29-35

(Page 84 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)

This reading prepares us for the Gospel of the Transfiguration, when our Lord's appearance became glorious. Moses, we are told, was so changed by his experiences of meeting God directly that his face shone with the reflected glory and he had to wear a veil.

2ND READING 2 Corinthians 3:12 to 4:2

(Page 177 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

When Moses was transformed by meeting God, he veiled his face until the glory faded. Paul argues that the minds of the Jews are still veiled from a true vision and understanding, while Christians see the unfading glory of God fully revealed to us in Christ.

THE GOSPEL Luke 9:28-36

(Page 67 of the New Testament in the pew bible)

The Lord's closest friends see him transfigured upon a mountain top, in a disclosure of his true identity. In the presence of the figures of Moses and Elijah, a cloud of glory comes upon him and the voice of the holy one is heard.

6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)

Readings: Exodus 3:1-6
(Page 51 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)
 John 12:27-36
(Page 103 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

Reader Jean Darby
Officiant The Rev'd Gerard Rundell
Preacher The Rev'd Colin Perkins

Hymns
 810 Thou, whose almighty word
 Psalm 89 Verses 1-18 *Page 459 of the small prayer book*
 695 Jesus, these eyes have never seen
 486 Christ is the King! O friends rejoice
 21 O strength and stay upholding all creation

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- That we might be a church that offers God's loving welcome to all.
- For our preparations and readiness for Lent.
- For those sleeping rough on our streets.
- For all who work in hospitality.
- For all those seeking asylum or refuge.

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 5 th	7.00 pm	Pancake Party in Parish Hall
Wed 6 th		Ash Wednesday
	10.15 am	Holy Communion,
and	7.30 pm	with Imposition of Ashes
Thurs 7 th	9.30 am	Mini Michaels
	7.30 pm	'Onward Call' weekly group.
Sat 9 th	2.00 pm	Renewal of wedding vows in church

Next Sunday	10th March. The 1st Sunday of Lent
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8.00 am	Holy Communion	Deuteronomy 26:1-11	CW 816
		Romans 10:8b-13	CW 818
		Luke 4:1-13	CW 819
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist		
11.15 am	Late Morning Worship		
11.15 am	Holy Communion at Denwick		
2.00 pm	Holy Baptism		
6.00 pm	A Celebration of Healing and Wholeness		

Today is your last chance to put your name/s down for the **SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE PARTY** which will be in the Parish Hall on Tuesday evening. This is always enjoyable and there will be fun and activities for families and folks of all ages plus a feast of savoury and sweet pancakes. If you plan to be there, please add your name **TODAY** to the list at the back of church

WEDNESDAY 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 10.15am and a Sung Eucharist at 7.30pm. Both services will include the Imposition of Ashes for those who wish.

LENT LEAFLETS are available today at the back of church. Please take one as an aide-memoire for your Lenten worship and other activities. Lent Savings boxes, supporting CMS, are also at the back of church – please take one.

The 2019 first **PARISH HALL DRAW** has been made. Congratulations to the winners: £20 (No, 15) Audrey Appleby, £10 (No.37) Catherine Hughes, £5 (No.25) Hazel Shell.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2019, 12th-18th May Thank you very much to those people who have already agreed to help this year. If you feel that you are able to do a door to door collection or help for an hour or so with the 'bucket' collection in the centre of town, please speak to either Sue Wiltshire or Susan Trafford as soon as possible. (As the order form for materials has to be sent in quite soon we need to know how many helpers there will be). If you have not collected before and would just like to have a chat about what's involved and then have a think about it, Sue or Susan would be glad to help. This one week in May is such an important one for Christian Aid as it allows them to continue with their life changing work. Thank you

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Tues 12 th	2.00 pm	'Eavesdropping' in Parish Room <i>See Lent leaflet for details</i>
Wed 13 th	12 noon	Ecumenical Lent Lunch at St James' URC
	7.30 pm	Baptism preparation in church
Thurs 14 th	7.30 <u>am</u>	Holy Communion, BCP followed by light breakfast
Fri 15 th	7.30 pm	Alnwick Music Society Magnard Concert in Church
Sat 16 th	9.30 am	Alnwick Music Society Children's Choir Concert in church
	11.00 am	Messy Church in Parish Hall
Sun 17 th		Fun, Faith & Friends at Castle Mania
	12.30 pm	Sunday Lunch in 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.

Vicar: The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

Curate: The Rev'd Gerard Rundell

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