

# Welcome to St Michael's Church, Alnwick

**"All are welcome in this place"**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2019  
The Feast of Christ the King**

A particular welcome if you are with us for the first time.  
Please do stay behind after the 9.30 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 and Preacher The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

**9.30 am PARISH EUCHARIST** *Setting: Thorne – Mass of St Thomas*

INTROIT HYMN 486 Christ is the King! O friends rejoice

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** Jeremiah 23:1-6 Reader: Paul Jarvis

*(Page 736 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)*

In Jeremiah's prophetic imagination, all those who have suffered from misguided or evil leadership will be gathered into a renewed kingdom. The new and perfect king, to come from the line of David, will carry the title 'Lord of Righteousness'.

**2ND READING** Colossians 1:11-20 Reader: Rosie Buxton

*(Page 197 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)*

Paul wrote this letter to recall the church from divisive ideas to the centrality of Christ in their lives. He breaks into a great song of praise to Jesus, who was before all creation, the image of God on earth, our redeemer, for ever supreme over all things everywhere.

**GRADUAL** 153 There is a green hill far away

**THE GOSPEL**                      **Luke 23:33-43**

*(Page 85 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)*

On the cross of Jesus, the handwritten sign 'The King of the Jews' may have been intended as sarcasm, or mockery, or insult. But Luke knew, as we know, that Christ is indeed a king, and we are citizens of his kingdom.

**SERMON**                              **The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott**

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

**OFFERTORY HYMN**    **489**              **From heaven you came, helpless babe**


*After the Offertory, the service continues with Eucharistic Prayer E which starts on page 8 of the Kingdom Season booklet*

**COMMUNION HYMN**    **452**              **Let all mortal flesh keep silence**

**CLOSING HYMN**              **Hail Redeemer, King divine**              *See separate sheet*

<b>11.15 am</b>	<b>LATER MORNING WORSHIP</b>
Leader	Rachel Robinson
Talk	The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott

**12.30 pm**                              **Sunday Lunch in the Parish Hall**

<b>2.00 &amp; 3.00 pm</b>	<b>Holy Baptism</b>	
	<i>Please pray for</i>	
	Ada Rose Telfer	
	Penny Grace Rose Brabben	

<b>6.00 pm</b>	<b>SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)</b>
<b>Readings:</b>	<b>1 Samuel 8:4-20</b> <i>Page 258 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)</i> <b>John 18:33-37</b> <i>(Page 110 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)</i>
<b>Reader</b>	<b>Jean Darby</b>
<b>Officiant and Preacher</b>	<b>The Rev'd Gerard Rundell</b>
<b>Hymns</b>	
796	The Lord is King! lift up thy voice
Psalm	72, vv. 1-7 <i>Page 434 in the small prayer book</i>
569	The kingdom of God is justice and joy
544	Morning glory, starlit sky
727	May the grace of Christ my Saviour

## WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Planning meeting for 2020 County V.E. Day Commemoration Service.
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.15 am	Funeral of Shirley Smith, in church
	2.45 pm	Contemplative Prayer Group in St Catherine's Chapel.
	7.00 pm	St Michael's Indoor Bowls Club in Parish Hall
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.15 am	<b>Holy Communion</b>
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Mini Michaels in church
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 am	Parish Quiet Morning in church

### Next Sunday                      1<sup>st</sup> December. The First Sunday of Advent

*Common Worship Year A starts*

8.00 am    Holy Communion

Isaiah 2:1-5

CW 3

Romans 13:11-14

CW 4

Matthew 24:36-44

CW 4

9.30 am    First Sunday Eucharist for Advent Sunday

6.00 pm    Sung Evensong (BCP, 1662)    Isaiah 52:1-12

Matthew 24:15-28

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- That we may have the example of Christ the Servant King always before us
- Our 'Places of Welcome' project at the Community Centre
- Elizabeth, our Queen, and the burdens she bears
- The people of Hong Kong
- All who help with our Sunday Lunches

We have **REAL ADVENT CALENDARS** for sale at the back of church. Priced at £3.99 they enable us to share and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

If you'd like one please collect and leave your money in the box beside the calendars which are at the back of church.

Please join us next Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 10am-12pm for a **QUIET MORNING** of prayer for the mission of the church. There will be some joint prayer as well as different opportunities to pray in the way that suits you best.

Flyers are at the back of church.

As Advent approaches do take the opportunity to spend some more time in reflection, prayer and discussion with the Advent group **JOURNEYING WITH THE WISE MEN**. We will take inspiration from the Magi, and spend time considering how prayer inspires and sustains our action. Details of dates and times are on the Notice Board and fliers which are available at the back of church.

On Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December, during the course of the Parish Eucharist we will dedicate the newly installed **ROBERTSON MEMORIAL** and re-hallow the recently restored **ROBERTSON WINDOW**.

We look forward to hosting another **CHRISTMAS BY CANDLELIGHT** concert given by the Royal Northern Sinfonia Orchestra here in St Michael's at 7.30 pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December. Tickets are already selling incredibly quickly so please see Pat Tweed as soon as possible to secure your seat!

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Many thanks to all who supported our **WINTER MARKET** last Saturday. Despite the torrential rain it was a really splendid affair with a lovely friendly atmosphere. The magnificent sum of **£2096.69** was raised for Church funds and will help us meet our commitments to the church and the world.

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**PLACES OF WELCOME** started on Thursday at the community centre Community@NE66. We will be running weekly sessions and there is more information on what a Place of Welcome is at the back of church. Please do continue to pray as we get up and running. Also, part of the ethos is free drinks and food, so we'd love to be able to offer weekly home baked goodies. If you'd be interested, please speak to Gerard.

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This year we hope to help our Church School via an **ADVENT APPEAL**. There is currently a shortage of books for children to take home each evening. We hope to be able to remedy this by inviting members of St Michael's to sponsor a book – or books – at a cost of £5.00 each. Appeal Envelopes will be available all through Advent. Please help if you can.

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

Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	10.15 am	Holy Communion at St Michael's C of E Primary School
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	7.30 pm	Royal Northern Sinfonia concert in church: 'Christmas by Candlelight'
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30 am	Dedication of Robertson Memorial and re-hallowing of Robertson window .
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.15 am	Mothers' Union Deanery Advent Service in Church
	6.30 pm	Alnwick Civic Carol Service in Church

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**

**Parish website: [www.alnwickanglican.com](http://www.alnwickanglican.com)**

**For enquiries about The Parish Hall,  
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