

Welcome to St Michael's Church, Alnwick

"All are welcome in this place"

Sunday 12th January 2020
The Baptism of Christ

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 The Rev'd Gerard Rundell
Preacher Annette Playle
Reader Clergy

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

INTROIT HYMN 632 Fill thou my life, O Lord my God

President The Rev'd Gerard Rundell

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 42:1-9** **Reader: Honey Hughes**

Page 680 of the Old Testament in the Pew Bible

This passage links with the Gospel, where we shall hear a heavenly voice
declaring God's delight in his beloved Son. Isaiah had visualised that same delight in
a spirit-filled nation, or a person, whose vocation would be to serve God
unstintingly.

2ND READING **Acts 10:34-43** **Reader: Pat Taylor**

Page 126 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible

This reading is a small part of a story. Peter, and some others who share the new
resurrection faith, tell a Roman centurion all the events of Jesus' life, and the
meaning of it all. For the first time, the Gospel reaches beyond Judaism, and the
climax is the surprising conversion of Gentiles.

GRADUAL 332 **Freed in Christ from death and sin**

THE GOSPEL **Matthew 3:13-17**

Page 3 of the New Testament in the Pew Bible

Baptism is a new beginning, and the Lord himself comes to the river Jordan to be baptised by John before he begins his public mission. God delights to declare his Son, upon whom his Spirit rests.

SERMON **Annette Playle**

After the Sermon, the altar party moves to the font, and we sing the words on page 17 of the service book

While the Altar party returns from the font, we sing the verses on page 20 of the service book

OFFERTORY HYMN 104 Songs of thankfulness and praise


After the Offertory, the service continues with the Eucharistic Prayer which starts on page 21 of the Epiphany booklet

COMMUNION HYMN 335 My God, accept my heart this day

CLOSING HYMN 646 God is working his purpose out

11.15 am LATER MORNING WORSHIP
Leader Michelle Duff
Talk Andrew Duff

11.15 am HOLY COMMUNION AT DENWICK

President	The Rev'd Colin Perkins	
Preacher	The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott	

6.00 pm SUNG EVENSONG (BCP, 1662)

Readings: Joshua 3:1-8 & 14-17
Page 201 of the Old Testament in the pew Bible)
 Hebrews 1:1-12
(Page 215 of the New Testament in the pew Bible)

Reader Jean Darby

Officiant The Rev'd Canon Paul Scott
and Preacher

Hymns

631	Fight the good fight with all thy might
Psalm	46 <i>Page 403 of the small Prayer Book</i>
108	When Jesus came to Jordan
727	May the mind of Christ my Saviour
14	Eternal light, shine in my heart

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- Thanks for our baptism
- The fragile situation in Iraq & Iran
- The safety of all who travel
- Elizabeth, our Queen
- Alnwick & District Food Bank

WORSHIP AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

Tues 14 th	3.00 pm	Contemplative Prayer Group
	7.30 pm	PCC in Small Hall
	7.30 pm	St Michael's Carpet Bowls in Parish Hall
Wed 15 th	10.15 am	Holy Communion
Thurs 16 th	9.30 am	Mini Michaels in church
Sat 18 th	6.00 pm	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayers, hymns & readings at St Michael's
Sun 19 th	12.30 pm	Sunday Lunch in the Parish Hall
	6.00 pm	Songs of Praise at St James', Shilbottle

Next Sunday 19th January The Second Sunday of Epiphany

8.00 am Holy Communion, BCP

Isaiah 49:1-2

CW 46

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

CW 47

John 1:29-42

CW 48

9.30 am Parish Eucharist

11.15 am Later Morning Worship

6.00 pm Sung Evensong (BCP, 1662) Ezekiel 2:1-3:4; Galatians 1:11-24

Many thanks to all who have given so generously of good quality clothes, warm blankets and bedding etc. for the **WEST END REFUGEE SERVICE**. For the time being we ask, please, that you don't bring anything more to church until their current supplies are used up. We will let you know when we can once again begin delivering.

From May 24th to June 1st, Christians Together in Alnwick have arranged a **HOLIDAY IN ARMENIA**. Unfortunately two people have had to drop out, so there are two places for anyone who would be interested in joining the group. The total cost including airfare from Newcastle, 9 days including hotels, transport, half board and all excursions is approximately £1400 per person. So that you can see the details, there is a copy of the itinerary on the church Notice Board; If you would be interested in going, please contact Jean Darby as soon as possible.

We are going to have our first **BIG CLEAN** of 2020 on February 1st from 10.00 am. As usual all cleaning materials and refreshments are provided. Please come along and join us. As they say 'Many hands make light work'!
Any queries please ask Cath McNally or Pat Taylor.

The new **CHURCH FLOWERS** rota for 2020 is now in the Duty Book. Please put your name in if you would like to provide flowers for a particular weekend to mark a special occasion.

Many thanks to all who donate food items to **ALNWICK & DISTRICT FOOD BANK**. Could you please note that, at the moment, they have a big surplus of pasta, baked beans and tinned soup so please don't give any of these until you hear that they have used up the surplus. All other donations of food are, of course, most welcome and much appreciated. Thank you.

FUTURE DIARY DATES – MAKE A NOTE OF THEM NOW

Tues 14 th Jan	7.30 am	P.C.C. meeting in Small Hall
Thurs 16 th Jan	12.00 pm	Mini Michaels meeting at the home of Alan and Marjorie Craig
Mon 20 th	2.00 pm	Pastoral Visitors meeting in Parish Room
Sat 25 th Jan	11.00 am	Messy Church
Sat 1 st Feb	10.00 am	Big Clean in St Michael's 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

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