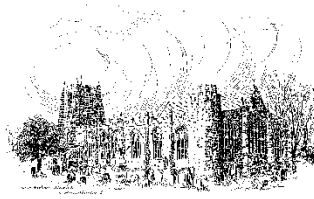


THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL, ALNWICK



Sunday 23rd August, 2020 The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

A warm welcome to our Service of the Word today.

Please observe the necessary social distancing & hygiene requirements including the wearing of a face covering whilst in church.

After today's service we are pleased to be hosting a BAKE STALL. There will be no pricing of goods but you are invited to take what you want and make a donation. All proceeds will go to the current work of 'EMBRACE THE MIDDLE EAST' as they help out in Beirut following the explosion there. There will be another Bake Stall next Sunday.

Today's readings:

Romans 12: 1-8

There is no hierarchy of importance in the body of Christ: all are equally important.

Matthew 16: 13-20

Peter declares that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of the living God.

Holy Communion will be celebrated here on Wednesday morning (26th August) at 10.15am.

For your prayers

- That the Church may extend a welcome to all people
- Those caught up in the exam result uncertainty
- The work of 'Embrace the Middle East'
- All whose anxieties still prevent them from mixing with others
- Thanks for the wonder of creation

The will be another **BAKE STALL** next Sunday – again in support of Embrace the Middle East as they provide aid to the people of Beirut. All contributions of baked goods will be gratefully received for sale on the day – please ensure that they are suitably packaged. Sales will be on the basis of donation rather than priced goods.

Gilly Maude will be hosting a Zoom discussion group entitled '**JUBILEE FOR THE EARTH**' each Tuesday evening in September and on 6th October. Based on our Christian calling to care for God's creation, people are invited to contact Gilly by email if interested. There is more information as you leave church and in the September edition of 'Gateway' which will be published next Sunday. Gilly's email address is: revgilly.pilgrim@gmail.com

Next Sunday (30th August) our 10.00am service will be a celebration of Holy Communion.

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