

# THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL, ALNWICK 'ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE'



## Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2022 THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

A warm welcome to our worship today.

We hope you will stay for tea/coffee after the 10.00am service –  
but please try to gather in groups of no more than six.

*Although the government restrictions for Coronavirus have largely been lifted, we would ask, please, that whilst in church you continue to observe social distancing & hygiene conventions including hand sanitizing and the wearing of a face covering. Thank you.*

### TODAY'S WORSHIP

- 8.30am      Holy Communion (BCP)  
*President : The Reverend Gilly Maude*
- 10.00am     Parish Communion  
*President and Preacher : The Reverend Gilly Maude*
- 6.00pm      Compline & Address  
*Officiant : Annette Playle*

### Revelation 4

God is the one who created and sustains all things, says this song of praise in John's vision of the holy sovereign Lord enthroned and worshipped in heaven.

### Luke 8 : 22-25

The Gospels tell us that Jesus had power to calm the winds and waves, and the disciples wondered whether he was himself the creator God who alone controls the way the universe works.

## **HYMNS AT 10.00am**

- 754 O worship the King  
647 God moves in a mysterious way  
534 As water to the thirsty  
624 Faith overcomes!

## **HYMNS AT 6.00pm**

- 546 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
794 The King of love my shepherd is

## **FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

This week we especially remember in our prayers:

- Diplomacy continuing to avert war in the Ukraine.
- For the “*Covid extremely vulnerable*”, who are trying to find a pathway between safety and quality of life.
- For people and families in Alnwick, who are feeling cold, hungry and desperate.

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

### ***Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup>***

7.00pm St Michael's Bowls Club in the Parish Hall

### ***Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup>***

10.15am Holy Communion

### ***Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup>***

10.00am Meeting of Mini Michael's helpers in church

### ***Friday, 25<sup>th</sup>***

11.30am Funeral of Helen Richardson

### ***Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup>* THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE LENT**

8.30am Holy Communion

*President : The Reverend Canon Dr Philip Bourne*

10.00am Parish Communion

*President and Preacher : The Reverend Martin Roff*

3.00pm Baptisms of Benjamin and Elliott Reid

6.00pm Taizé Style Evening Prayers & Address

*Officiant : John Cooke*

## LOOKING AHEAD

*Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> March*

7.00pm St Michael's Bowls Club in the Parish Hall

*Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ash Wednesday*

10.15am Holy Communion

6.00pm Sung Eucharist

*Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup>*

Noon-1.30pm Lent Lunch in St James's Church Hall, Pottergate

On Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> May there will be a plant stall in the Market Place in aid of **CHRISTIAN AID**. As you think about planting seeds this season, please think about planting a few extra to put on the stall. Would you be prepared to help out on the stall for an hour or so? All enquiries to Michelle Duff 01665 605663

## THIS WEEK'S ECO TIP

**Washing machines continued:**

**When** a new machine is unavoidable, bear in mind two things:

1. The energy rating, A through to G, with A being the most efficient.
2. Water usage. Our hotter, dryer weather is putting pressure on water supplies, so the less water used the better.

**Tip.** The womens' magazine 'Good Housekeeping' often comments on 'best buys' with regard to household goods, and the information is free on line, unlike 'Which?' where a subscription is required.

**Useful website:** [www.recyclenow.com](http://www.recyclenow.com) offers a comprehensive guide on recycling, including white goods

**It's not always easy being green! Do what you can when you can, let's all keep chipping away together. It is impossible for us *not* to be making a difference if we do.**

**AVAILABLE TO ORDER NOW for £25.00** is the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the illustrated book "St Michael's Tower & Restoration Project". The 1<sup>st</sup> edition of 10 was rapidly spoken for and because of concessions raised £75.00 + Gift Aid for the project. A sample copy can be seen in church.

Firm orders should be made to Jean Darby before the end of March.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

It is time to collect last year's **palm crosses** in order to burn them to make the ashes for this year's Ash Wednesday services on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please bring any crosses and put them in the basket at the back of church. Many thanks.

## LENT LUNCHESES

**All are most welcome**

Thankfully, we are now able to return once again to meeting up together for lent lunches. We will meet in St James's church hall every Thursday between 12noon and 1.30pm for soup, bread and cheese and a cup of tea or coffee. Please do come along and enjoy being with friends. (As before, there is a suggested donation of £3.50, or whatever you feel able to afford.)


**Please note that there has been a slight change to the rota in terms of who is responsible for providing lunch on the various dates. Updated information is :**

3 <sup>rd</sup> March	St James's Church, Alnwick
10 <sup>th</sup> March	St Paul's Church
17 <sup>th</sup> March	St Michael's Church
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Methodist Church
31 <sup>st</sup> March	St James's Church, Shilbottle
7 <sup>th</sup> April	Baptist Church, Alnwick (to be confirmed)

**NB** All sessions take place in St James's church hall, Pottergate.

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

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