

# THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL, ALNWICK

## 'ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE'



### Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> February 2022

## THE SUNDAY NEXT 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

*President : The Reverend Canon Dr Philip Bourne*

10.00am Parish Communion

*President and Preacher : The Reverend Martin Roff*

6.00pm Taizé Style Evening Prayers & Address

*Officiant : John Cooke*

### 2 Corinthians 3 : 12-4 : 2

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

### Luke 9 : 28-36

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.

## **HYMNS AT 10.00am**

2 Christ, whose glory fills the skies  
281 'Tis good, Lord, to be here  
595 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart  
719 Lord, the light of your love is shining

## **TAIZE CHANTS**

Jesus, Remember me.  
Wait for the Lord  
Bless the Lord

## **FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

This week we especially remember in our prayers:

- Foodbanks, giving thanks for them and the people and businesses donating food and the volunteers running the Alnwick Food Bank.
- That Ukraine's freedom will be defended by the European and International community, in ways that support her to oppose Russian domination.
- Family, friends and colleagues struggling with health issues, and those spouses who provide long term care, often struggling with isolation.

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

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

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

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

10.15am Ash Wednesday Holy Communion

**6.00pm** Ash Wednesday Eucharist

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

9.30am Mini Michaels

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

### ***Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup>* **THE FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT****

8.30am Holy Communion

*President : The Reverend Colin Perkins*

10.00am First Sunday Eucharist

*President and Preacher : The Reverend Canon Sue Allen*

6.00pm Deanery Evensong

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

### ***Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> March***

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

**Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup>**

10.15am Holy Communion

2.00pm Mothers' Union meets in church

**Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am Mini Michaels

Noon-1.30pm Lent Lunch in St. James's 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**

**Tumble dryers** are very energy hungry beasts! It is best to use only when absolutely necessary. If it is not possible to dry clothes in the fresh air, a 'pulley', freestanding wall or 'over the bath' ainer will do the job.

Unfortunately, it seems that tumble dryers are responsible for another problem - releasing microplastic fibres into the atmosphere. These tiny plastic particles are known to damage both human health and the environment.

While we all want to look clean and well presented, the most obvious way of cutting down on the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions which our washing and drying habits create, is to wash a *tiny* bit less. Would it be possible to wear that jumper/ blouse/ shirt just one more time before it goes into the laundry basket? If we can do this, we will save money, the environment *and* our clothes will last a little bit longer. It's a win, win, win!

**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.

**Volunteers urgently needed to help steer the dynamic future of St Michael's Church.**


The PCC need members to help with the decision making that will take us forward. We usually meet 6-10 times per year and your contribution would be invaluable. Nomination forms are at the back of church or please ask a churchwarden.

**Churchwardens**

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

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