

# THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL, ALNWICK

## 'ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE'



### Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2022

### THE THIRD SUNDAY OF 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 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. You may remove your mask whilst seated, if comfortable, but please keep it on whilst moving around the church. Thank you.*

#### TODAY'S WORSHIP

- 8.30am      **Holy Communion (BCP)**  
*President : The Reverend Canon Philip Bourne*  
*Preacher : The Reverend Robert Chavner, TSSF*
- 10.00am     **Parish Communion**  
*President : The Reverend Robert Chavner, TSSF*  
*Preacher : The Reverend Canon Philip Bourne*
- 2.00pm      **Baptism of Florence Isla Evans**
- 6.00pm      **Compline & Address**  
*Officiant : Annette Playle*

## 1 Corinthians 10 : 1-13

This passage is a reminder of the fate of people who were determined to rebel against God. We, says Paul, should be strong to resist anything tempting us away from the life to which Christ calls us.

## Luke 13 : 1-9

Jesus refers to some recent events in warning of the need for repentance. A parable suggests that God always allows us second and third chances to turn to a truly fruitful life.

## HYMNS AT 10.00am

- 664 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds  
116 Be thou my guardian and my guide  
708 'Lift up your hearts!'  
755 Oft in danger, oft in woe

## HYMNS AT 6.00pm

- 116 Be thou my guardian and my guide  
310 Thanks be to God for his saints of each past generation

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- Thankfulness for the release of Nazarin and Anoosheh, hostages in Iran; and Amnesty International, keeping unjustly detained prisoners in the spotlight.
- For a cease-fire and negotiated settlement in Ukraine, that will bring peace, keep borders safe and allow Ukraine to keep her president and democracy.
- That we will choose to embrace the personal financial cost of the Ukrainian War; that politicians will assist the most needy and our struggling farmers.

## 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>*

9.30am Mini Michaels

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

**Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - Mothering Sunday**

- 8.30am Holy Communion  
*President : The Reverend Martin Roff*  
*Preacher : Annette Playle*
- 10.00am Parish Communion  
*President : The Reverend Martin Roff*  
*Preacher : Annette Playle*
- 6.00pm Taizé Style Evening Prayers & Address  
*Officiant : John Cooke*

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup>**

10.15am Holy Communion

**Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup>**

9.30am Mini Michaels

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

**Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April – after 10.00am Service**

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup> MAY**

**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.

In addition to the plant stall there will be a **glass and china stall**, which will be held in the **Fish Market on Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> May** from 9.00am – 4.00pm. (The Fish Market is the covered area at the end of the Shambles.) We are hoping to collect good quality items (no cracks or chips please) to have a bumper stall. Please place your donations in the cardboard boxes at the back of church. The last Sunday for collection will be 10<sup>th</sup> April. As with the plant stall a few friendly faces are needed to help on the day, please speak to Sue Wiltshire if you are able to help. (Please note the stalls take place on consecutive Saturdays.) Thank you very much for your help.

**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.

**Stewards are needed** to join the rota and ensure our church is open to welcome visitors. Please contact Pat or Anne if you can help.

## **THIS WEEK'S ECO TIP**

### **Travelling**


When driving, the most efficient speed depends on the car in question but it is typically around 55-65mph. Faster speeds will greatly increase your fuel consumption. Slowing down will save the environment, the wear and tear on your car and your pocket. Whoopee!

**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.

### **Churchwardens**

**Pat Taylor**

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**Anne Blades**

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

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 envelopes available at the back of church. Thank you.

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