**THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL, ALNWICK**

**‘ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE’**



**Sunday, 17th JULY 2022**

**FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**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.**

*The wearing of a mask is a personal choice in St Michael’s*

**TODAY’S WORSHIP**

**8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)**

 *President & Preacher : The Reverend Canon Peter Askew*

**10.00am Parish Communion**

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**2.00pm** Baptism of Lillie, Jeffie and Lucas Ha

**3.00pm** Baptism of Archie Thompson

**6.00pm Compline & Address**

*Officiant : Annette Playle*

**Colossians 1 : 15 – 28**

Paul’s hymn to the sovereignty of Christ is rich in images of his work in creation and salvation. The church, Paul says, is caught up into the very presence of God.

**Luke 10 : 38 – End**

This brief incident contrasts Martha and Mary, sisters in Bethany. The way of welcoming Jesus can be active, or contemplative, and both are good.

**HYMNS AT 10.00am**

765 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation

601 Blessèd assurance, Jesus is mine

787 Take my life, and let it be

593 At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow

**HYMNS AT 6.00pm**

621 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

290 We plough the fields, and scatter

24 The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended

**For your prayers this week...**
… Lord of the church, we pray for ourselves and all people who seek to follow your way in their lives. Let your Church speak your word of truth with confidence and in unity so that those who are searching and listening will be able to see and hear clearly your message of love and peace.
… Lord of the world, we pray for people and nations whose troubles drown out your music of harmony and where the violent heat of anger seeks to destroy your word of peace.
… Lord of our lives, we pray for the people around us in our neighbourhoods and our places of work and leisure. Give us sensitivity and insight into their needs and vulnerabilities so that we may learn truly to love our neighbours as ourselves.
… Lord of Life, we pray for people we know who are ill, anxious or bereaved. We pray that you will lead them, and us, in peace towards healing and wholeness of body, mind and spirit.
… Heavenly Father, we offer ourselves to you in faith and confidence. Show us how we can best prepare ourselves to be part of your response to our prayers. Fill us with the Spirit of life which was in Christ Jesus, your Son and our Saviour. Amen.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

***Monday, 18th***

2.00pm School Leavers’ Service

***Tuesday, 19th***

2.00pm Funeral in church

***Wednesday, 20th***

10.15am Holy Communion

***Thursday, 21st***

9.30am Mini Michael’s

***Sunday, 24th THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY***

8.30am Holy Communion

 *President & Preacher : The Reverend Canon Dr Philip Bourne*

10.00am Parish Communion

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6.00pm Taizé Style Evening Prayers & Address

 *Officiant : Annette Playle*

**LOOKING AHEAD**

***Wednesday, 27th***

10.15am Holy Communion

***Saturday, 30th***

10.00am St Michael’s Market Stall (see below)

**EVENSONG**
At the recent PCC meeting it was decided to make small changes to our Evening services. From August :
The first Sunday will be a sung Deanery Evensong.

The second and third Sundays will be said Evensong.

The fourth Sunday will be a rotation of Compline, Iona and Taizé.

Should there be a fifth Sunday, it will be a said Evensong.

**MARKET STALL**
We are having a Market Stall on **Saturday July 30th, Saturday August 13th
and Saturday August 27th**.
These stalls create an excellent fundraising and outreach opportunity for St Michael’s.
Please help to make sure the stall is well stocked for these dates. All things homemade, jams, baking, crafts and knitted items are needed. Please let us know if you need anything collected. Also, if you could spare a couple of hours to help man the stall please speak to Anne or Pat.

**FLOWER FESTIVAL**
This year’s Flower Festival is a joint event with St Paul's Church. It will be held in St Michael’s Church from **Thursday, August 4th until Sunday, August 7th**. It is not too late to sponsor an arrangement. Please speak to Michelle Duff. The preview evening will be on **Wednesday, August 3rd. Tickets £5**. The Festival will conclude with a Big Sing at 6.00pm on Sunday evening.
It's lovely to be able to hold a Flower Festival again so let's make sure it’s a memorable event.

**SUMMER THOUGHTS**

If you are heading to the coast for a lovely breath of sea air, would you consider taking a plastic bag with you to pick up any rubbish that you come across?  Fishing tackle, bits of net, plastic in its many guises can entangle, trap, cut and be ingested by sea life both on and offshore.  Just picking up one or two bits will make all the difference to the wildlife which might otherwise have encountered them.

**GRAFFITI PROJECT**

A very big thank you to all who helped in any way towards the wonderful response to the Community Drop-in day for the graffiti on Tuesday. There was a lot of interest and already some very useful feedback as to how we might take this project forward. Jean Darby

**Churchwardens**

**Pat Taylor Anne Blades**

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