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

**‘ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE’**



**Sunday, 7th AUGUST 2022**

**EIGHTH 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

 *President & Preacher : The Reverend Martin Roff*

**10.00am** First Sunday Eucharist - ‘Faith in Action’

 *President & Preacher :The Reverend Canon Sue Allen*

**6.00pm** Flower Festival ‘Big Sing’

**Hebrews 11 : 1 – 3, 8 – 16**

Late in the first century AD (CE), someone unknown wrote this profound theological document. This extract explores the nature of faith as seen in the Old Testament saints, and over the next few Sundays we shall hear of the faith of Christians.

**HYMNS AT 10.00am**

592  As the deer pants for the water
800  The Lord’s my shepherd
283  Fill your hearts with joy and gladness
625 Faithful One (during the Administration of Communion)
671   I will sing the wondrous story

**During this week let your Love live through us as we pray …**

*Almighty God, you sent Your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church.
Open our hearts to the riches of Your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love, joy, and peace ...*

... for all those meeting at the Lambeth Conference and for the decisions and outcomes

... for those on pilgrimage to Oberammergau, the leaders and participants

... for those troubled in body, mind and spirit; those who are despised or avoided because they are troublesome or difficult, or because they are just different.
**Teach us, O God, to care.**
... for those we do not like, and those we think are somehow not worthy of our time.
**Teach us, O God, to care.**

... for those we perceive as a threat to our way of life, and those whose needs are all too visible and their needs seem too much for us alone to deal with.
**Teach us, O God, to care.**

Father, our care for all is not in doubt, but teach us what we might do better to help bring comfort and strength to those in special need.

**Teach us, O God to care** and to have a growing appreciation of the Glory of our Lord and in so doing, become an ever-present witness to Your love and a living echo of Your voice of calm. Amen.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

***Wednesday, 10th***

10.15am Holy Communion

1.00pm Mothers’ Union Lunch – Hog’s Head

2.00pm Funeral of Lilian Gaines

***Saturday, 13th***

10.00am St Michael’s Market Stall

***Sunday, 14th THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY***

8.30am Holy Communion

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6.00pm Said Evensong

 *Officiant : Annette Playle*

**LOOKING AHEAD**

***Wednesday, 17th***

10.15am Holy Communion

***Saturday, 20th***

7.30pm Jigsaw Choir (See below)

**JIGSAW CHOIR** **On Saturday, 20th August 2022** we have the Jigsaw Choir visiting our church. They are from Shrewsbury and are doing a short ‘tour’ of the North East.

They have offered to do a concert for us in church to raise funds for our beautiful building.

They are a mixed voice adult choir and sing a mixture of sacred and secular music. They perform concerts regularly in the south of England but I think this is their first visit to this area.

The cost of a ticket will be **£5.00**.

Please try to come to this Summer Concert; bring friends and family and, apart from welcoming this choir, raise some funds as well.

The concert will start at 7.30pm.

 Pat Tweed

**More summer thoughts**

We are all aware that pipes can burst during frosty weather but extreme heat can also cause problems. Hot days may cause pipes to expand and together with the added pressure of increased water usage, leaks may occur. (In 2020 the BBC reported that just under 3 billion litres of water was lost in England and Wales due to leaks.) If you are out and about and spot a leak, please ring Northumbrian Water on **03457335566** or visit their website, [**www.nwl.co.uk**](http://www.nwl.co.uk/) where you can establish if the leak has already been reported and if not, let them know of your concerns. (If the water is coming from a manhole or is dirty, it is classed as an emergency.)

**MARKET STALL**

We are having a Market Stall on **Saturday, 13th and Saturday, 27th August**. 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.

**MOTHERS’ UNION** ‘Our August meeting for Wednesday 10th is a lunch at the Hog’s Head. We will meet there at 12.30 for lunch at 1pm.’ We look forward to seeing as many of you as are able to be there.

Anne Cooke

We are looking for two people to act as Churchwardens from next

March 2023.

If you are interested, please speak to one of the Wardens, John Cooke or Annette Playle.

**Churchwardens**

**Pat Taylor Anne Blades**

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