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

**‘ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE’**



**Sunday, 14th AUGUST 2022**

**NINTH 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 Canon Peter Askew*

**10.00am Parish Communion**

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**6.00pm Said Evensong**

*Officiant : Annette Playle*

**Hebrews 11 : 29 – 12 : 2**

This writer praises the faith of men and women of Israel in past times, as lessons for us who have received the far greater revelation of God in Jesus. We have inherited what they could only hope for.

**Luke 12 : 49 – 56**

Jeremiah said God’s coming would be like fire, separating out all impurity. Jesus says this is what he has come to do; he will be the cause of unhappy divisions, because of those who fail to recognise the signs of his presence and his kingdom.

**HYMNS AT 10.00am**

327 Awake, Awake: fling off the night!

300 Glory to you, O God

232 The head that once was crowned with thorns

580 Judge eternal, throned in splendour

**HYMNS AT 6.00pm**

57 Ye servants of the Lord

290 We plough the fields, and scatter

826 Ye holy angels bright

**For your prayers**

- Gracious God, your Son encouraged us to be generous givers. Help us to give without counting the cost and to work tirelessly to spread the Gospel message in all that we do and say.  
- Holy God, as you revealed yourself to the Jewish people through the prophets in ancient days, reveal yourself to the Church in this present age. Raise up new prophets and make us a faithful people ready to believe your promises and follow you wherever you lead us.  
- Creator God, we pray today for the peace of our nations. May all places that suffer violence, injustice, war and terrorism find peace and reconciliation. We pray for the peoples of the world and that the leaders of the nations may uphold what is right and good.  
- Father God, we remember everyone in our churches, giving thanks for all that they do in our Sunday worship, in our church-family and in our communities.

- Loving God, we pray for all those who have lost their way or have been led astray and for all who are living below their potential or their abilities. We lift to you all whose lives are unfulfilled and all those whose lives are restricted by illness. We remember the chronically ill, those in constant pain, the depressed and the despairing.

- Almighty God, we remember before you those who have died and those who are bereaved by their passing. We give back to you those whom you gave to us.

- Faithful God, help us to see each individual we meet as uniquely made in your image and worthy of our love and respect. Show your love through our lives in some small way today and every day.

- We ask and offer all our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

***Wednesday, 17th***

10.15am Holy Communion

***Saturday, 20th***

10.00am Christian Aid - Glass & China Stall in Fish Market

7.30pm Jigsaw Choir (See below)

***Sunday, 21st THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY***

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

*President/Preacher : The Reverend Colin Perkins/Annette Playle*

10.00am Service of The Word

*Officiant : To be confirmed*

6.00pm Said Evensong

*Officiant : John Cooke*

**LOOKING AHEAD**

***Wednesday, 24th***

10.15am Holy Communion

***Thursday, 25th***

10.00am Mini Michael’s helpers’ meeting (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*

**MINI MICHAEL’S** There will be a Meeting for Mini Michael’s helpers on **Thursday, 25th August** at 10.0am in Church, to prepare for the new term. *Alan Craig*

**CHRISTIAN AID STALL** There will be a second **Glass and China Stall in the Fish Market on the 20th August** to raise funds and hopefully sell the last of the donated goods so kindly given for Christian Aid week. This is very timely as Christian Aid have sent out an emergency appeal to highlight the drought and subsequent famine following four years of failed rainy seasons in East Africa. There will also be a collection plate in church next Sunday.

**THIS WEEK’S ECO TIP Gadgets**

While it is important to save energy wherever we can, it is crucial that we don’t ‘sweat the small stuff’ at the expense of the big stuff, eg it has been estimated that using a mobile phone for a year has the same emissions as driving an average European car for one hour! So, if you feel that you are doing everything else you can to minimise your carbon footprint then always shutting down apps and tabs on your phone, deleting draft and old messages, and photos in particular, is a great thing to do.

**MARKET STALL** We are having a Market Stall on **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.

**FLOWER FESTIVAL** The total raised over the four days of the festival was £1,881.12. This means that both St Paul’s and St Michael’s benefit to the tune of £940.56.

A brilliant result for both churches.

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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**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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