

# THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL, ALNWICK

## ‘ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE’



## Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER 2022

### THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

A warm welcome to our worship today.  
We hope you will stay for tea/coffee after the 10.00am service.

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

#### TODAY'S WORSHIP

8.30am	Holy Communion <i>President &amp; Preacher : The Reverend Canon Peter Askew</i>
10.00am	Parish Communion <i>President &amp; Preacher : The Reverend Canon Peter Askew</i>
2.00pm	Baptism of Jack Alexander Hollingworth
6.00pm	Taizé Style Evening Prayer <i>Officiant : John Cooke</i>

#### 2 Timothy 4 : 6 – 8, 16 - 18

Our short series of readings from the two letters addressed to Timothy now concludes as the writer feels near to death, and gives his testimony to the Lord's work through him, and his hope of heaven.

#### Luke 18 : 9 – 14

The familiar parable of the righteous Pharisee and the humble man are a lesson in our approach to our heavenly Father.

## HYMNS AT 10.00am

- 2 Christ, whose glory fills the skies
- 389 Spirit of God
- 422 Alleluia, sing to Jesus!
- 502 Restore, O Lord, the honour of your name!

## HYMNS AT 6.00pm

- 53 Wait for the Lord, whose day is near
- 600 Bless the Lord, my soul and bless God's holy name
- 24 The day thou gavest Lord, is ended

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK... inspired by the Sunday readings

### *Psalm 84, verses 1-7*

Abba, Father, to you go all praise and glory!

Thank you for your grace and infinite wisdom.

Thank you for your promise of an eternal home for all who hear and follow.

Thank you for your promise of one day being in your presence for all eternity.

Father God, we do not deserve the rewards that you have promised; we fall short again, and again.

Yet, you love unconditionally and forgive again, and again.

You are the one true God, and we praise your holy name. Amen.

### *2 Timothy, chapter 4, verses 6-8 and 16-18*

Dear Father, source of our strength, be with all who claim the name 'Christian' and seek to follow you.

May we be urgent in season and out of season.

Empower us to convince, rebuke, and exhort.

Help us to be unfailing in patience and persistent teaching.

Guide us to be steady, to endure suffering, to do the work of evangelization, and to fulfil the ministries you have given us.

Let us all so live, that we can say with Paul, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."

Thank you for the gracious reward you have in store for us all - that crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to everyone who has loved and longed for his appearing.

In the name of Jesus we ask. Amen.

### ***Luke 18, verses 9-14***

Lord our God, may we come to you  
in humility and repentance,  
ready to encounter you in love  
and to turn your way.  
Accept us as your sons and daughters,  
together with Jesus Christ,  
your Son and our Lord forever. Amen.

### **THE WEEK AHEAD**

#### **Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup>**

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

#### **Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup>**

10.15am Holy Communion

#### **Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am NO Mini Michael's

1.00pm Funeral of Alan Willcox

#### **Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> *THE FOURTH SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT***

8.30am Holy Communion

*President & Preacher :*

*The Venerable Catherine Sourbut Groves*

10.00am Parish Communion

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### **LOOKING AHEAD**

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

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

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

10.15am Holy Communion

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

9.30am Mini Michael's

## **W I N T E R   M A R K E T**

### **Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> November**

### **SERVICE CHANGES FOR THE WINTER**

As the clocks change and the darkness lengthens the PCC have decided to make slight changes to the services we can offer in St Michael's.

**Starting on October 30<sup>th</sup>:** 1st and 2nd Sundays of each month we shall have a service at 6pm but **NO** service at 8.30am.

3rd and 4th Sundays of each month we shall have a service at 8.30 am but **NO** service at 6pm.

A 5th Sunday will have an 8.30am service but **NO** service at 6pm.

We continue to be supported by our retired clergy and readers during the vacancy and we are very, very grateful. We hope this change will ease their workload a little and will mean that the Churchwardens won't need to open and close in the dark twice each Sunday.

There will be no changes to the

10am Eucharist on Sunday nor to the Wednesday Midweek Eucharist at 10.15.

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

### **Seasonal Thoughts Continued**

Let the words 'Craft Fair', 'Handmade Gifts' and 'Local Artists', draw you like bees to a honey pot! Here you are likely to find sustainably sourced items which will support the livelihoods of local people. Art galleries too have much to offer in the way of locally made jewellery, pottery and other items which make lovely presents. It might be fun, if you are able, to make a day of visiting a few galleries in the area. Going on the bus or offering a friend a lift would help with carbon cutting.

(When shopping generally, keep up the 'I'm fine without a bag, thank you' mantra).

**Happy Shopping!**

**IT IS HOPED TO FORM** a community group, including some church members, to follow various craft projects connected with the graffiti. These could take place in the Alnwick Arts and Crafts Centre and give the opportunity to try something new which ultimately would bring the community to share in the graffiti and enhance our south aisle exhibition project. At present this is in the early stages of planning and funding but please contact **Jean Darby** for further details if you think this could be of interest to you.

## **AWAY DAY**

I am organising an away day for all who might be interested in taking a break from the everyday and refresh themselves - to recharge and rest before the activities of Advent and the lead up to Christmas.

For more details, please speak to Annette Playle.

### **Churchwardens**

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