

THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL, ALNWICK

‘ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE’



Sunday, 13th NOVEMBER 2022

THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

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

10.00am Parish Communion

President : The Reverend Martin Roff / Preacher : Annette Playle

Before the Dismissal, we make an act of remembrance

*Let us remember before God, and commend to his sure keeping:
those who have died for their country in war
those who are willing to work and put their lives at risk in a just cause in
our own day and all who have lived and died in the service of mankind.*

*They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them*

All - WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

Silence

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life: hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day; fulfil in them the purpose of your love, and bring us all, with them, to your eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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## **2 Thessalonians 3 : 6 – 13**

This reading concludes the three Sundays' excerpts from Paul's letter to those who expected the Lord's return at any moment. He urges them not to wait for it in idleness.

## **Luke 21 : 5 – 19**

Luke, like Matthew and Mark, merges various sayings of Jesus about the destruction of Jerusalem with those about the end of time. The theme is of warning, and of God's judgement. We may well take this passage as a call for trust in God when the world seems to be collapsing into chaos.

## **Hymns at 10.00am**

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| 635 | For the healing of the nations                      |
| 563 | Jesus Christ is waiting, waiting in the streets     |
| 579 | I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above |
| 746 | O God, our help in ages past (omit verse 5)         |

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6.00pm Said Evensong

Officiant : Annette Playle

Hymns at 6.00pm

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| 592 | As the deer pants for the water |
| 584 | All my hope on God is founded (omit last verse) |
| 10 | Abide with me; fast falls the eventide |

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**THIS WEEK PLEASE PRAY** for the healing of the nations and for lasting peace.

... for those who feel pressurised to conform to wrong values in order to be accepted;

... for a commitment to fight evil and cultivate good in our world;

... for the work and witness of the Royal British Legion.



*O God of truth and justice, we hold before you those whose memory we cherish and those whose names we will never know. Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world, and grant us the*

*grace to pray for those who wish us harm. As we honour the past, may we put our faith in your future; for you are the source of life and hope, now and for ever. Amen.*

... for the households in this town of Alnwick and for God's indwelling there;

... for the weak, the vulnerable, the weary and the desolated;

... for those whose lives are at risk and for those endangering others.

... for the Church and for an increase in vocations to the ordained and authorised lay ministries of the Church and to the Religious Life.

*Lord, you have called us to know you, you have called us to love you, you have called us to serve you, you have called us to proclaim you: guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, make us worthy of our calling that we may live to your praise and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**"Let love be genuine. Never pay back evil for evil.**

**As far as it lies with you, live at peace with everyone." *Romans 12: 9,17,18***

## **THE WEEK AHEAD**

### **Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup>**

10.15am Holy Communion

### **Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup>**

9.30am Mini Michael's

### **Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup>**

11.00am Messy Church

### **Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> *CHRIST THE KING/THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT***

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

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## **LOOKING AHEAD**

### **Monday, 21<sup>st</sup>**

1.30pm Funeral of Frank Thompson

### **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 Michael's

Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup>

10.00am Winter Market

### **THIS WEEK'S ECO TIP - Christmas Gifting - Jewellery**

As previously suggested, the presents we give at Christmas (or any time!) should not be hurting either the planet or our fellow human beings. It is a sad situation that in order not to do either of these two things we have to spend time searching for 'the good stuff'. Jewellery is an area to be particularly wary of. Diamond and gold mines are linked with the very worst examples of human rights issues, ('...the United Nations estimated there were 1-3 million children working in artisanal gold mines including children as young as 3 years old' [www.sustainablylazy.com](http://www.sustainablylazy.com)). It is an industry notorious for the vast amounts of pollution it produces, (mercury is used to separate the gold from soil and sediment). Readers may like to refer to the above website to read a short, concise piece about the issues which surround the mining industry and also find 12 ethical brands to consider.

### **Angels, stars and .....doves!**

In 2020 hundreds and hundreds of hand knitted angels were left all over Alnwick for anyone and everyone to take home and feel a little cheered in what had been a difficult year. In 2021 the theme was stars. This year we are hoping to be able to leave paper doves in their little (biodegradable!) cellophane bags, complete with greeting, on seats and fences, walls and lamp posts throughout the town. Please do look at the examples at the back of church and take home a sheet of instructions. (Only cutting and sticking skills required this year!). Thank you.  
Sue Wiltshire and Michelle Duff on behalf of CTiA

### **The Winter Market is fast approaching - November 26th.**

We need lots of contributions for the various stalls so need your help! The stalls include **crafts, jams, cakes, toys, tombola, books and jigsaws, mystery parcels, bottles**. There will boxes at the back of church to put your donations in. We are happy to collect from your home if you are unable to bring things to church.

Please help us to make this a really splendid occasion. It is our main fundraising event of the autumn and also an excellent opportunity to welcome our community into Church. Pat and Anne

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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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