

# THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL, ALNWICK 'ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE'



**Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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**  
*President & Preacher : Reverend Mitch*
- 10.00am    **Parish Communion**  
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- 6.00pm      **Said Evensong**

### **Acts 17 : 22 – 31**

Paul's powerful preaching in the synagogues of Athens has made the local government take notice. His speech to the Council proclaims that all the Greek gods are mere shadows of the one true God who created all things in heaven and earth.

### **John 14: 15 – 21**

Jesus promises his disciples that although the time must come for him to leave them, the Holy Spirit will be their comforter, and all those who keep faith with him will see him again.

## **HYMNS 10.00am**

- 652 Guide me, O thou great Redeemer  
602 Blest are the pure in heart  
453 Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour  
721 Love divine, all loves excelling

### **For your prayers this week ...**

#### **Blessing of a new ministry**

We give thanks for one another; for the Church, the Body of Christ, of which we are all a part.

We praise and thank you, God of the journey, for our priest, Mitch who begins his ministry amongst us. We entrust him into your loving care, knowing that you are always the faithful traveller and companion on the Way.

Shelter and protect him from all harm and anxiety. Grant him the courage to meet the future and grace to let go into new life; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**



**Gracious God, we are thankful** that You are deeply aware of the concerns of our hearts ...

**We pray of our world**, broken in so many places locally, nationally and internationally.

**We pray for those working to bring peace**, reconciliation, hope and healing in all situations; strengthen them, encourage them, fill them with hope and resilience.

**We know that You love the world You have created**, forgive us for causing such damage and catastrophe to such a beautiful place. Strengthen the resolve in those who are fighting for the Earth's future and climate change.

**We pray for those who serve as leaders in our nation** – we pray for our King and Queen, the UK Government at Westminster, the Welsh Assembly and Stormont in Northern Ireland and the Scottish Government. Grant wisdom, grace, love and vision to all who serve as our leaders.

**We pray for all who serve in local government** and the burden they have to use what resources they are given to care for local society – may they be granted wisdom, grace, love and vision.

Lord, we commend to you the many who grieve through various forms of loss. By your Spirit speak words of compassion and restoration in their sadness. Bring comfort especially to the dying.

Lord God, You have placed your Church to be light and salt to the earth and to bring the good news of our Lord Jesus, Crucified and Risen, to all people. Strengthen our resolve, faith and confidence to be Your Church and to speak powerfully in Your name, through the same, Christ our Lord. Amen.



## THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> – Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup>      **Christian Aid Week**

### Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup>

10.15am      Holy Communion

### Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup>      **Ascension Day**

9.30am      Mini Michael's

### Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>

10.00am      Plant Stall for Christian Aid (See over)

11.00am      Messy Church

1.00pm      Full peal of bells by St Paul's Cathedral Ringers

### Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup>      **SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

8.30am      Holy Communion (BCP)

*President & Preacher : Reverend Mitch*

10.00am      Parish Communion

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6.00pm      Evening Worship

## LOOKING AHEAD

### Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup>

10.15am      Holy Communion

### Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup>

9.30am      Mini Michael's

### Friday, 26<sup>th</sup>

4.00pm      Wedding of Jimmy Turrell and Natalie Raine

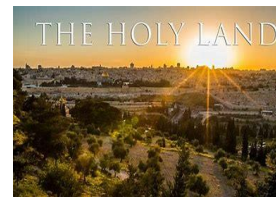
### Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup>

Wedding of Ross Wightman and Leander Grieve

## HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE - 2024

Led by Robert Chavner and Philip Bourne.

The pilgrimage, in the week 4 - 11 March 2024, will include the sites where the most important events in Our Lord's life and ministry took place: in Jerusalem and the surrounding area and further north in Galilee. A visit to the Holy Land can be a life changing journey as well as a faith changing experience and lots of fun, too! Please do consider joining us for this trip of a lifetime. For details, brochure and booking form, please speak to Robert or Philip asap.



### Christian Aid Week

- Envelopes available in church.
- Raffle tickets on sale throughout the week from the box office and cafe at Alnwick Playhouse, at performance on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> and today in church.
- Plant stall and refreshments at the home of Michelle and Andrew Duff, (between Barclays and Lloyds banks) Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May 10-4pm

**WELCOME REVEREND MITCH, VICKY,  
HUGH AND CHARLIE**

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You can now give on-line to the church by scanning this QR code, or you are welcome to use our new cashless machine at the back of church. Thanks for your support.



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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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