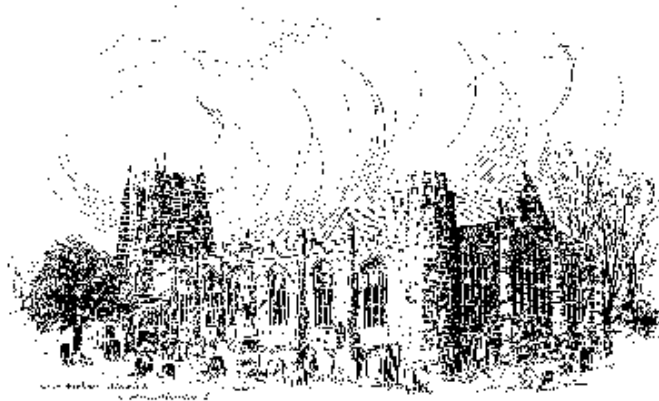


# THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL, ALNWICK

## ‘ALL ARE WELCOME IN THIS PLACE’



### Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023

### THE THIRD 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.

#### TODAY'S WORSHIP

8.30am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>President &amp; Preacher : Reverend Mitch</i>
10.00am	<b>Parish Communion</b> <i>President &amp; Preacher : Reverend Mitch</i>
5.00pm	<b>Evening Prayer</b> <i>Officiant : John Cooke</i>

Gluten Free : If you would prefer to receive a gluten free wafer at communion, please advise one of the stewards on duty before the start of the service.
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<b>READINGS</b>	<b>Amos 5 : 18 – 24</b>
	<b>1 Thessalonians 4 : 13 - 18</b>
	<b>Matthew 25 : 1 - 13</b>

<b>HYMNS</b>	<b>10.00am</b>
769	Rejoice the Lord is King
592	As the deer pants for the water
746	O God our help in ages past
505	Tell all the world of Jesus

## CLOSING ORGAN VOLUNTARY

### Elegy by George Thalben-Ball (1896 – 1987)

This meditative piece began life as an improvisation at the end of a live BBC broadcast service during WWII; so many people contacted the BBC to ask what the piece was that Thalben-Ball decided to write it down as best he could remember it. The music begins quietly and ends very quietly.

For your prayers this week... (see insert)

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup>

8.30am Morning Prayer  
7.00pm St Michael's Bowls Club in the Parish Hall  
7.00pm PCC Meeting in Parish Hall

#### Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup>

10.15am Holy Communion *The Reverend Robert Chavner TSSF*

#### Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup>

8.30am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mini Michaels

#### Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup>

11.00am Messy Church

#### Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> ***THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT***

8.30am Holy Communion  
*President : Reverend Mitch Preacher : Annette Playle*  
10.00am Parish Communion  
*President : Reverend Mitch Preacher : Annette Playle*  
5.00pm Iona Style Evening Prayer  
*Officiant : Sal Howard*

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup>

8.30am Morning Prayer  
10.00am Organ Tuning  
7.00pm St Michael's Bowls Club in the Parish Hall

#### Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup>

10.15am Holy Communion *Reverend Mitch*

#### Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup>

8.30am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Mini Michaels

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

10.00am Winter Market (see overleaf)

**WINTER MARKET is coming!** Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup> in church from 10.00am until 1.00pm.

We are hoping to have a variety of stalls - cakes, crafts, bottles, toys, preserves, mystery parcels, books and jigsaws, tombola, candles. We shall also have a raffle and provide coffee and cake; an extra this year will be soup and a roll from 12noon!

### **How can you help?**

Your help is greatly appreciated, selling raffle tickets, spreading the word to friends and neighbours, coming along on the day and also stocking the stalls with good quality donations. There will be boxes at the back of church for you to place your donations in.

This is our main fundraising event of the autumn but also an excellent opportunity for us to welcome our community.

There will be posters and flyers at the back of church, please take and display them.

**WHITE RIBBON SUNDAY** is a time for the church to mark the White Ribbon campaign to end male violence against women. This November WRS will especially remember and honour 108 victims killed in the UK in 2022. There will be a time of reflection held at **St Michael's and All Angels Church in Felton on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 4.00pm** (this time of reflection is not suitable for children).

**ADVENT AWAY DAY** At St Bartholomew's Church, Whittingham on Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> December, 10.00am - 4.00pm. There is no charge for the day just a donation towards the heating.  
Please see Annette Playle for more details.

The **Cake Stall** held in church last week made £138.50. This will be sent to Christian aid to help with any aid being given in the Holy Land. Thank you very much indeed to all those who baked and all those who bought! Your support was much appreciated. Sue Wiltshire

### **Ukraine Aid Coffee Morning**

**Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> November**

**10.00am – 12noon at**

**St James's Church, Pottergate, Alnwick**

Coffee, tea, delicious Ukrainian cakes, tombola, raffle and a very warm welcome. Ukraine Aid Express, with Alnwick-Ukraine Support Group

**Gateway for December 2023 and January 2024** In order to have the printed copies available for distribution by the last weekend of November, please would you send any articles or notices of upcoming events to the Editor, George Nasmyth, no later than Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> November. Please remember that as this is a combined issue for the next 2 months notices relating to any events planned for January 2024 as well as those for December 2023 must reach the editor by 19<sup>th</sup> November.

**Zoom Cuppa this Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> November, at the earlier time of 3.30pm.** Everyone is welcome to join for a catch-up of each other's news over a cup of tea. You may also like to share a favourite hymn, especially if it's seasonal or has meant something to you recently. Please email Sue Allen on [pineapple.sue@gmail.com](mailto:pineapple.sue@gmail.com) for joining details.

National Interfaith Week Exhibition  
St Margaret's Chapel in Newcastle Cathedral  
**Illuminating the word of God**  
**Exploring the use of Art in Faith**  
Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> November to Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> November

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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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