

St Michael and All Angels with St Mark, Preston,
Trinity 10, 24th August 2025
Holy Communion with Baptism



You shall be like a watered garden

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;
and that they may obtain their petitions
make them to ask such things as shall please you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
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Welcome to St Michael's Church

This morning, we welcome Ollie Mills into God's family in baptism. Large print newsletters and service leaflets are available, please ask the sides-people if there is anything you need or let them know if you require a gluten free wafer. Everyone is warmly invited to stay for refreshments after the service. You are invited to stand for the hymns and some other parts of the service if you are able, but if standing is difficult or uncomfortable for you, just remain seated, no one will mind.

Hymns:

Opening:	753	O Praise ye the Lord
Gradual:	679	In Christ there is no...
Offertory:	448	I come with joy
Final:	702	Lead us heavenly Father
Communion	455	

First reading: *Isaiah 58:9b-14*

If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,
if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
The Lord will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.
If you refrain from trampling the Sabbath,
from pursuing your own interests on my holy day;
if you call the Sabbath a delight
and the holy day of the Lord honourable;
if you honour it, not going your own ways,
serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;
then you shall take delight in the Lord,
and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth;
I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob,
for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Gospel Reading: *Luke 13:10-17*

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the Sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom

Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Services:

Weekday Communion: Thursdays at 10.30am

Holy Communion: next Sunday 31st August at 10.00am

All Angels: The first All Angels of the new term will be on 7th September at 10.00am

Junior Church: The first meeting of the new term will be on 21st September at 10.00am

Regular Events:

Bible Study: the next meeting will be on Friday 5th September at 7pm

Coffee Morning: the next coffee morning will be on Saturday 6th September 10am – 12pm

Cupboard Love: the next session of Cupboard love will be on Saturday 13th of September 9.30am - 10.30am

Farmers' Market: the next market will be on Saturday 20th September 9am – 12.30pm

Supporting St Michael's:

If you would like to make a donation today but have no cash, you might like to use the contactless payment device at the back of church. Many people prefer to give monthly by direct debit through the Parish Giving Scheme. Please ask for details.

Dates for your diary:

Sunday 7th September: Piano recital by Sarah Garrish, 3pm; £10 (students £5)

Friday 19th September: Blue Flamingo Variety Show, 5.30-9.30pm. £5 (children free)

Saturday 20th September: Heritage Open Day. Guild Horns playing, 10am - 1pm. Talk on the foundation of our church, 3pm. Free

Sunday 21st September: Concert by the Rawstorne Singers, 3pm. £10 (students £5)

Saturday 27th September: Beating the Bounds at Michaelmas

Sunday 5th October: Harvest Festival 10am.

Mission Prayer

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church, send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please do stay after today's service for a drink and a chat.

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