

St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

## SERVICE DETAILS & WEEKLY NOTICES

7<sup>th</sup> September 2025

### Twelfth Sunday after Trinity



Welcome to the church of St Michael & All Angels. Our aim is to be a friendly and inclusive church. We hope you enjoy our worship together. After the service please join us for refreshments and a chat.

#### PRAYER OF THE WEEK:

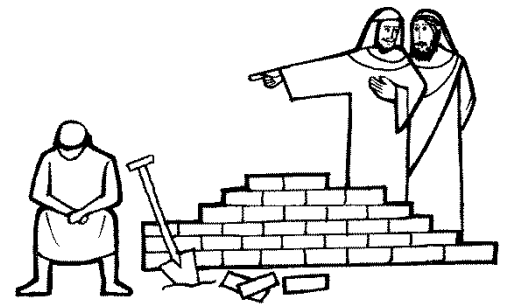
God of constant mercy, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, that our thankfulness may grow, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

#### Readings for 10.00 am:

First: Jeremiah 18. 1 - 11

Second: Philemon 1 - 21

Gospel: Luke 14. 25 - 33 ; إنجيل لوقا 14 : 25-33



#### Details of the Parish Eucharist at 10.00 am

Opening Hymn: 'O Jesus, I have promised' (748)

Gradual Hymn: 'Take my life, and let it be' (787)

Hymn of Offering: 'Christ is the one who calls' (487)

Communion Hymn: 'Brother, sister, let me serve you' (604)

Closing Hymn: 'Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart' (595)

#### Details for Service of Light at 6.00 pm

First Hymn: 'Thou, whose almighty word' (810)

Second Hymn: 'Thine forever! God of love' (807)

Third Hymn: 'King of glory, King of peace' (698)

Anthem: 'Praise to the Holiest in the height' (763)

#### Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'God is working his purpose out' (646)

Second Hymn: 'O God, you search me and you know me' (747)

Third Hymn: 'Forth in the peace of Christ we go' (475)



## PRAYER CONCERNS FOR OUR SERVICE AND PERSONAL PRAYER

**In our church diary we pray:** For Mollie Carlton & Louis Brown baptised this month with their parents & Godparents.

**For members of our church family unable to join us in church today:**

Jean Clifford, Joyce Grey, Maureen Howard, Maureen Hutton, Emma Hyden, Ruby Lambert, Ozzy Masters, Rita Stone.

**For those who are ill or in need who have asked for our prayers:** (list updated each 3 months)

Paul Armour, Anna Bradley, Betty Brown, Anne Camp, Helen Cheall, Fiona Cooper, Peter Cunningham, Marjorie Fogg, Ken Henderson, Evelyn Hendry, Baby Luca Loscombe, Debbie Miller, George Peebles, Anunda Samoo (Andy), Hilary Storey, Jean Raine, Kenneth Rose, Aileen Scott, John Wilde.

**For the recently departed, including:**

Bill Hiley, Leslie Hughes, Violet Daglish, Joseph Lambton, Marie Bell, Sheila Watson, Sonia Forest, Hollie Loraine.

### Rotas for the coming week

<b><u>Readers:</u></b>	A Bradley (8.30 am Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> ) A Slater & J Henderson (10.00 am Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> ) S Hardy (6.00 pm Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> ) J Bond (10.00 am Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> )
<b><u>Stewards:</u></b>	R Turnbull & C Moore (10.00 am Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> ) J Henderson (6.00 pm Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> ) S Wynn & J Beattie (10.00 am Thurs 18 <sup>th</sup> )
<b><u>Intercessors:</u></b>	L Farthing (8.30 am Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> ) D Turnbull (10.00 am Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> )
<b><u>Coffee:</u></b>	K Arden & G Loscombe (10.00 am 14 <sup>th</sup> )

### ***Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility***

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of the Church. If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk, or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from either:

**Diocesan Safeguarding Officer: Beth Miller 07968034075**

**Parish Safeguarding Officer: Ali Young 07532034075**

If there is immediate risk or danger, contact the police on 999.

If you would like to sponsor a pedestal in memory of a loved one or in celebration of a special event or simply to support us to have flowers in church the list for 2025-26 is available on the notice board for to sponsor a week. The (suggested) minimum amount is £20 to Carole Cunningham (Tel: 07767155549)





## Service of Light

A gentle evening service with music, hymns,  
reading & sermon.

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 6.00 pm

Led by our Reader, Ros Pickersgill.

Who can you invite to the special All-Age service followed by a

## Teddy Bears Picnic!

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025 10am -12noon

Bring your baptism bear or another favourite back to church!

So we know how many marmalade sandwiches to make please RSVP to:

stmichaels.hls@gmail.com

*Can you help with food? Please let us know on the form at the back of church*



## Are you looking to do some volunteering?

Our Stay & Play group will be restarting in September and we are looking for volunteers. All volunteers will be provided with training & need to undergo a DBS. Please contact space4jade@gmail.com if you're interested or for more information.



## The Gilpin Singers Matinee Charity Concert

In aid of St Benedict's Hospice on  
27<sup>th</sup> Sept at 1.30 to 2.15 pm at St Michael  
RC Church, followed by Raffle &  
Refreshments.

Tickets at £3 available from  
Kathryn Jones on 07731815325 or Carole  
Cunningham on 07767155549

## Young Church

*We're shortly to relaunch Young Church!* 🎉

There is mats, colouring & toys for preschool children at the back of church.  
Children from 4 years old will soon be able to join the fun with Young Church up in  
the mezzanie



## Mothers' Union

Mother's Union trip for afternoon tea at South Causey Inn - bus will leave from the  
front of the church on Tues 9th Sept at 11.30am.


Mothers' Union 'Rise up' Service at Lumley Church on 9<sup>th</sup> Sept at 2pm.

Mothers Union are holding their Harvest Home on Wed 24th Sept at 1pm. We are  
having pie and peas followed by bingo and refreshments. We will be holding a raffle.

The cost is £6. Please see Joan Beattie or Sheila Wynne if you wish to attend.

## THIS WEEK AT ST MICHAEL'S

### Sunday – Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (*Luke 14. 25 - 33*)

- 8.30 am Holy Communion
- 10.00 am Holy Communion (Church & )
- 6.00 pm Service of Light (Church)

- Monday**
- 6.00 pm Vestry hour (call Parish Office for appointment)
  - 7.00 pm Baptism Preparation for Parents (Church Vestry)

- Tuesday**
- 11.30 am Mothers' Union Afternoon Tea (South Causey Inn)
  - 2.00 pm Mothers' Union 'Rise up' Service (Lumley Church)


- Thursday**
- 10.00 am Holy Communion (in Church)
  - 6.00 pm Choir Practice (Choir Vestry)

- Friday**
- 1.00 pm Community Food Store (Kepier Hall)
  - 2.00 pm Cake & Chat (Hub, Newbottle St)

Our 'Drop-in' is open at the Space4 Hub (Newbottle St) 10-1 Mon-Fri  
The Church is usually 'Open' between 11-1 Tues-Sat for visiting

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: SUPPORT CHURCH FUND RAISING!

#### 14<sup>th</sup> September – Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity/Holy Cross Day (*John 3. 13-17*)

- 8.30 am Holy Communion
- 10.00 am Holy Communion (Church & )
- 6.00 pm Choral Evensong (Church)

- 21<sup>st</sup> Sept** 10.00 am Special All-Age Service with Teddy Bears Picnic (Church)

- 24<sup>th</sup> Sept** 1.00 pm Harvest Home (Kepier Hall)

- 27<sup>th</sup> Sept** 1.30 pm The Gilpin Singers Matinee Charity Concert (St Michael RC)

*Watch this space for other upcoming events!*

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