St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

SERVICE DETAILS & WEEKLY NOTICES

28th September 2025

Patronal Festival



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:

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy angels always serve you in heaven, so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth; 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. **Amen**

Readings for 10.00 am:

First: Genesis 28. 10 - 17

Second: Revelation 12. 7 -12

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Details of the Parish Eucharist at 10.00 am

Opening Hymn: 'Angel voices ever singing' (589)

Psalm 150: Response 'Let everything that breathes praise the Lord'

Hymn of Offering: 'Ye watchers and ye holy ones' (312)

Communion Hymn: 'Christ, the fair glory of the holy angels' (323)

Closing Hymn: 'Ye holy angels bright' (826)

Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'Come, let us join our cheerful songs' (362)

Second Hymn: 'Songs of praise the angels sang' (782)

Third Hymn: 'Angel-voices ever singing' (589)



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, Maurice Lee, Baby Luca Loscombe, Debbie Miller, George Peebles, Anunda Samoo (Andy), Jean Raine, Kenneth Rose, Aileen Scott, Gina Smith, Hilary Storey, John Wilde.

For the recently departed, including:

Joseph Lambton, Marie Bell, Sheila Watson, Sonia Forest, Hollie Loraine, Margaret Tully, Audrey Wood, Dennis Race, Alan Turnbull.

Rotas for the coming week

Readers: A Bradley (8.30 am Sunday 5th)

TBC (10.00 am Sun 5th) TBC (6.00 pm Sun 5th)

E Garbutt (10.00 am Thurs 9th)

Stewards: R Turnbull & C Moore (10.00 am Sun 5th)

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E Harkness & E Garbutt (10.00 am Thurs 9th)

Intercessors: Minister (8.30 am Sun 5th)

TBC (10.00 am Sun 5th)

Coffee: M Barnes & J Wheatley (10.00 am 5th)

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)





A simple, meditative form of worship, calling us to dwell deeply on Christ's presence around and within us.

Led by our Reader, Anne Clappison.

Sun 28th September at 6.00 pm.

Houghton Feast Coffee Morning

Saturday 4th October

Stalls and refreshments - if anyone is able to donate cakes or savouries, please bring them to church on the day by 9.30am.

Thank you.

Civic lunch Sunday 5th Oct in the Kepier hall from 12.15pm

For those wishing to come and share in our Feast Sunday lunch please sign your name on the list at the back of church. If you are able to donate a dessert please also indicate on the list what you can bring.



Houghton Brass Band Concert

With a packed programme of music featuring some of the bands tallented soloists.

Thursday 9th October at 7.00 pm Tickets are £8 (adults) £4 (under 18s) available at the door



Houghton Feast

CEILIDH

In Church Featuring The Seaham Music Academy Ceilidh Band Fri 10th Oct 7pm-11pm

Tickets from Events Team or Darren Snaith (07910866801)

Adults £10, under 16s £5
 With Licensed Bar

The Magic of Song

With Herrington School, The Gilpin Singers & the Rector



Sat 11th Oct, 7pm at St Michael & All Angels *Doors open at 6.40pm*



Tickets are £6 available from the office

PET SERVICE

All-age and all species worship!! Sun 12th Oct 10am Bring your (well behaved!) pets or cuddly toys for a blessing and to praise God together!



THIS WEEK AT ST MICHAEL'S

Sunday - Patronal Festival (John 1. 47 - end)

8.30 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Holy Communion (Church & 10.00 am

6.00 pm Taizé Service (Church)

Monday 4.00 pm Community Food Store (Kepier)

6.00 pm Vestry hour (call Parish Office for appointment)

Thursday 10.00 am Holy Communion (in Church)

6.00 pm Choir Pratice (Choir Vestry)

Friday 9.30 am Stay & Play (Kepier Hall)

9.30 am Community Food Store (Kepier Hall)

2.00 pm Cake & Chat (Hub, Newbottle St)

Saturday 10.00 am Houghton Feast Coffee Morning (Church)

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!

5th October – Feast Sunday (Luke 17. 5 -10)

8.30 am Holy Communion

10.30 am Feast Sunday Civic Service

12.00 noon Houghton Feast Civic Lunch (Kepier Hall)

6.00 pm Community Hymn Singing

9th Oct 7.00 pm Houghton Brass Concert (Church)

10th Oct 7.00 pm Ceilidh (Church)

11th Oct 7.00 pm Magic of Song Concert (Church)

20th Oct 2.00 pm Meeting (Kepier Hall) **Please note change of date**

Watch this space for other upcoming events!

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