

St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

SERVICE DETAILS & WEEKLY NOTICES

21st September 2025

Fourteenth 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:

O Almighty God, whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax collector to be an apostle and evangelist: give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain and the possessive love of riches that we may follow in the way of your Son Jesus Christ, 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: Proverbs 3. 13 - 18

Second: 2 Corinthians 2. 6 - 11

Gospel: Matthew 9. 9 - 13 ; متى 9 : 9 - 13



Details of the Parish Eucharist at 10.00 am

Opening Hymn: 'Let us build a house where love can dwell' (383)

Gradual Hymn: 'Freely, Freely you have received' (196)

Hymn of Offering: 'One more step along the world I go' (510)

Communion Hymn: 'Bind us together Lord' (66)

Closing Hymn: 'We shall go out with joy' (754)

Details for Celtic Eucharist at 6.00 pm

First Hymn: 'Inspired by love and anger' (562, omit*)

Second Hymn: 'She sits like a bird' (259)

Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'I danced in the morning when the world had begun' (667)

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

Third Hymn: 'Great is thy faithfulness' (650)



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, Hilary Storey, Margaret Tully, 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

<u>Readers:</u>	L Farthing (8.30 am Sunday 28 th) K Close & D Barnes (10.00 am Sun 28 th) S Hardy (6.00 pm Sun 28 th) J Bond (10.00 am Thurs 2 nd)
<u>Stewards:</u>	D & B Scott (10.00 am Sun 28 th) J Henderson (6.00 pm Sun 28 th) S Wynn & J Beattie (10.00 am Thurs 2 nd)
<u>Intercessors:</u>	D Anderson (8.30 am Sun 28 th) K Close (10.00 am Sun 28 th)
<u>Coffee:</u>	L Scott & S Wilde (10.00 am 28 th)

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)





Celtic Eucharist

A sung service of Holy Communion drawing on liturgy
from the Celtic Christian Tradition.

Led by Rev'd Margaret Lee.

Sun 21st September at 6.00 pm.

Welcome to the special All In service followed by a

Teddy Bears Picnic!

We hope you and your bears enjoy the service and join us after in the
kepiep hall for food and games!



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.

Houghton Brass Band Concert

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

Thursday 9th October at 7.00 pm

Tickets 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



Saturday 11th Oct

at St Michael & All Angels

Tickets are £6 available from the
office or Carole Cunningham on
07767155549


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.

THIS WEEK AT ST MICHAEL'S

Sunday – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (*Matthew 9. 9 - 13*)

- 8.30 am Holy Communion
- 10.00 am Special All In Service with Teddy Bears Picnic (Church & )
- 12.30 pm Baptisms
- 6.00 pm Celtic Eucharist (Church)

Monday

- 1.00 pm Harvest Home (Kepier Hall)
- 4.00 pm Community Food Store (Kepier)
- 6.00 pm Vestry hour (call Parish Office for appointment)

Tuesday

- 7.00 pm Holy Communion (Hub, Newbottle St)
- 7.30 pm PCC (Hub, Newbottle St)

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)

Saturday 1.30 pm The Gilpin Singers Matinee Charity Concert (St Michael RC)

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!

28th September – Patronal Festival (*John 1. 47 - end*)

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

4th Oct 10.00 am Houghton Feast Coffee Morning (Church)

5th Oct 10.15 am Civic Service Followed by Lunch in the Kepier Hall (Church)

10th Oct 7.00 pm Ceilidh (Church)

Watch this space for other upcoming events!

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