



St. Michael's

ALNWICK

Sunday, 2nd November 2025

The Fourth Sunday before Advent

A warm welcome to our worship today.
Please do join us for refreshments after the 10.00am service.

Gluten Free: If you would prefer to receive a gluten free wafer at communion, please receive from the officiating minister and indicate your preference to them.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

8.30am **Holy Communion**
President : Reverend Mitch
Preacher : Sal Howard, Licensed Reader

10.00am **All Together Worship Service**
President & Preacher : Reverend Mitch

5.00pm **All Souls Day Memorial Service**
Officiant : Reverend Mitch
Preacher: Sal Howard, Licensed Reader

READINGS: Daniel 7 : 1 – 3, 15 - 18
 Ephesians 1 : 11 - 23
 Luke 6 : 20 - 31

Organ Voluntary *Fanfares – Opus 40 No 1 from California Wine Suite*
 by Hans Uwe Hielscher

Mass Setting Margaret Rizza (*see separate sheet*)

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, 3rd

9.00am NO MORNING PRAYER
7.00pm Alpha Course in Parish Hall

Tuesday, 4th

8.30am Morning Prayer
7.00pm St Michael's Bowls Club

Wednesday, 5th

10.15am Holy Communion with prayers for Mothers' Union
3.15pm Junior Choir Practice

Thursday, 6th

8.30am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mini Michaels

Saturday, 8th

12.30pm Wedding of Timothy Crossland & Claire Cianchi

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, 9th

8.30am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Communion including a minute's silence at 11.00am
2.30pm Civic Service of Remembrance at St Paul's Church
5.00pm Evening Prayer

Monday, 10th

9.00am Morning Prayer
7.00pm Alpha Course in Parish Hall

Tuesday, 11th

8.30am Morning Prayer
7.00pm St Michael's Bowls Club

Wednesday, 12th

10.15am Holy Communion
2.00pm Mothers' Union Meeting
3.15pm Junior Choir Practice

Thursday, 13th

8.30am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mini Michaels

Saturday, 15th

12.30pm Wedding of Calum Donohoe & Lucy Mallaburn

All Souls' Service – Today at 5.00pm A service of Commemoration for loved ones departed. This is an opportunity to remember those who are no longer with us, and to light a candle in their memory. If you would like the name of someone you wish to be remembered to be read out during the service, please add their name(s) to the sheet at the back of the church.

Advance dates for your diary:

- **Civic Service of Remembrance** – This will take place on **Sunday, 9th November**, at 2.30pm at **St Paul's Church, Alnwick**, followed by the parade and prayers at the War Memorial. A minute's silence will also be kept at 11.00am during the Parish Eucharist that day.
- **Royal Northern Sinfonia** – We will once again be welcoming the Royal Northern Sinfonia to St Michael's for their annual concert here in Alnwick. This year, the concert will be on **Thursday, 27th November** at 7.00pm.
- **Men's Breakfast** – The next Men's Breakfast will be on **Saturday, 29th November** at 8.00am at the Oaks Hotel. The cost of the breakfast is £12 to be paid on the day. To book your place, please email Mitch at alnwickvicar@gmail.com by 23rd November at the latest.
- **Ukrainian Coffee Morning 6th December** Please help to raise funds for aid trips to those in need in Ukraine. Costello Centre 10.00am-12 noon, hot drinks and lovely cakes! Music, tombola and raffle.

Greener Together

At Christmas time, many cards change hands within our church family. Of course this is a lovely thing to do but this year the eco team are proposing something a little different for anyone who might like to participate.

We, (Elizabeth Bland, Vicky Mitchell and Sue Wiltshire), are going to use the money which we would have spent on Christmas cards for St Michael's folks, to buy a virtual gift from the Oxfam Shop in Narrowgate. There is a lovely selection of gifts at all different prices and supporting many different aspects of their work so that it is possible to buy something which particularly resonates with you. You may be passionate about everyone having clean water or about helping farmers to grow food as the climate changes, about education for girls or recognition for carers; you can choose something you really care about.

When you buy your virtual gift you will receive a beautiful card, a really interesting and special little bit of art. Our idea is that these could be

displayed in church so that we can all see and be encouraged by all the different needs that we are helping with.

Please note If you think that this is something that you would like to be part of, please could you give your card (s) to one of us on or before 14th December so that we have got plenty of time to display them (and do pop your name of the back if you would like us to return it to you after Christmas).

Vicky, Elizabeth and Sue

An opportunity to bring joy to a child at Christmas is through ANGEL TREE which buys, wraps and sends a personal gift to the child from the parent together with a message written by the parent in prison. Your donation, no matter how small will help unite a family. ANGEL TREE is run by Prison Fellowships and our local prisoners' families, including those connected to HMP NORTHUMBERLAND benefit. Donation forms are at the back of church. Thank you. *Rachel Robinson on behalf of PF.*



The church is now on WiFi! If you would like to access the WiFi, choose the Network 'St Michael Alnwick Guest' on your device, and enter the password: B3mygu3st

You can now make one-off donations towards the work of St Michael's Church online by scanning the QR code. Alternatively, you are welcome to use the card reader at the back of the church (all major cards accepted). If you would prefer to make a regular donation in support of the life and ministry of the church, please sign up to the Parish Giving Scheme by visiting : www.parishgiving.org.uk and use the Parish Code 250625172. Thank you for your generous support.



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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