

St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

SERVICE DETAILS & WEEKLY NOTICES

5th October 2025

Houghton Feast



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 Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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: Nehemiah 8:1-3,5-6,8-10

Second: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Gospel: Luke 4:14-21 ; 21-14 :4 لوقا



Details of the Civic Service at 10.30 am

Opening Hymn: 'Praise, my soul, the King of heaven!'

Psalm 150: *Sung by Choir*

Third Hymn: 'In the day of our thanksgiving'

Fourth Hymn: 'For the healing of the nations'

Closing Hymn: 'Guide me, O thou great Redeemer'

Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'O worship the King, all glorious above' (754, omit*)

Second Hymn: 'We bring you, Lord, our prayer and praise' (571)

Third Hymn: 'Take up the song, and sing the praise of God' (568)



PRAYER CONCERNS FOR OUR SERVICE AND PERSONAL PRAYER

In our church diary we pray: That this year's Houghton Feast will exemplify the very best of community spirit we've known in our past and be a truly joyful celebration for the people of Houghton-le-Spring and all who visit us.

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:

Sonia Forest, Hollie Loraine, Margaret Tully, Audrey Wood, Dennis Race, Alan Turnbull.

Rotas for the coming week

Readers: L Farthing (8.30 am Sunday 12th)

D Turnbull & J Bond (10.00 am Sun 12th)

S Hardy (6.00 pm Sun 12th)

J Bond (10.00 am Thurs 16th)

Stewards: J Henderson & S Gamble (10.00 am Sun 12th)

J Henderson (6.00 pm Sun 12th)

S Wynn & J Beattie (10.00 am Thurs 16th)

Intercessors: D Anderson (8.30 am Sun 12th)

D Turnbull (10.00 am Sun 12th)

Coffee: K Arden & G Loscombe (10.00 am 12th)

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 Warm Welcome to all our guests at the Houghton
Feast Civic Service this morning.
Please join us for lunch at 12 noon in the
Kepier Hall (behind church)

Houghton Feast 'Community Hymn Sing'

An opportunity to sing 'Hymns Old & New', our traditional
Houghton Feast event takes place
at **6pm on Sun 5th Oct**



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 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 The Gilpin Singers & Guests

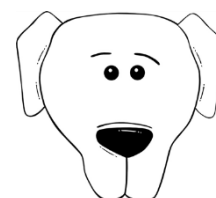
Sat 11th Oct, 7pm at St Michael & All Angels
Doors open at 6.40pm

Tickets are £6 available from the office



PET SERVICE

All In 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 – 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

Monday 4.00 pm Community Food Store (Kepier)
 6.00 pm *No Vestry hour* (call Parish Office for appointment)

Thursday 10.00 am Holy Communion (in Church)
 7.00 pm Houghton Brass Concert (Church)


Friday 9.30 am Stay & Play (Kepier Hall)
 9.30 am Community Food Store (Kepier Hall)
 2.00 pm Cake & Chat (Hub, Newbottle St)
 7.00 pm Ceilidh (Church)

Saturday 7.00 pm Magic of Song Concert (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 – Pet Service/St Francis (*Matthew 11. 25 - 30*)

8.30 am Holy Communion
 10.00 am All In and All Species worship (Church & )
 6.00 pm Celtic Eucharist

19th Oct 10.00 am All-In Harvest Festival Holy Communion (Church & )

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

Watch this space for other upcoming events!

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