

St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

SERVICE DETAILS & WEEKLY NOTICES

16th November 2025

Second Sunday before Advent/Safeguarding Sunday



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:

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings for 8.30 am & 10.00 am:

First: Malachi 4. 1 – 2a

Second: 2 Thessalonians 3. 6 - 13

Gospel: Luke 21. 5 - 19 ; 19 - 5 :21 لوقا

Details of the Holy Communion at 10.00 am

Opening Hymn: 'There's a wideness in Gods mercy' (648)

Gradual Hymn: 'A new commandment I give to you' (34)

Hymn of Offering: 'Jesus Christ is waiting' (340)

Communion Hymn: 'Christ is the world in which we move' (89)

Closing Hymn: 'Amazing Grace' (30)

Details for Celtic Eucharist at 6.00 pm

First Hymn: 'Take this moment' (788)

Second Hymn: 'Will you come and follow me if I but call your name' (510)

Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'O Worship the King all glorious above' (754)

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

Third Hymn: 'All for Jesus, all for Jesus' (421)



 PRAYER CONCERNS FOR OUR SERVICE AND PERSONAL PRAYER

In our church diary we pray: On Safeguarding Sunday we pray that this church may be a place of welcome, security and compassion.

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, Jennifer Dixon, 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:

Dennis Race, Alan Turnbull, Catherine Fletcher, Angela Kerby, Brian Teather, Julie Bilton.

Rotas for the coming week

<u>Readers:</u>	D Anderson (8.30 am Sunday 23 rd)
	D Barnes & K Close (10.00 am Sun 23 rd)
	S Hardy (6.00 pm Sun 23 rd)
	J Bond (10.00 am Thurs 27 th)
<u>Stewards:</u>	D & B Scott (10.00 am Sun 23 rd)
	J Henderson (6.00 pm Sun 23 rd)
	S Wynn & J Beattie (10.00 am Thurs 27 th)
<u>Intercessors:</u>	L Farthing (8.30 am Sun 23 rd)
	D Turnbull (10.00 am Sun 23 rd)
<u>Coffee:</u>	S Goymer & H Paget (10.00 am 23 rd)

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 Adviser: Beth Miller 07968034075

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Ali Young 07532034075

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

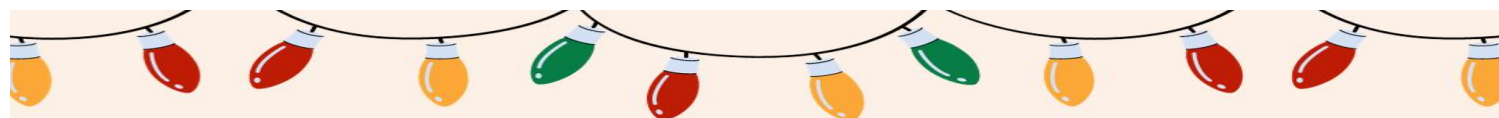


Celtic Eucharist

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

Led by Rev'd Claire Cullingworth

Sun 16th November at 6.00 pm.



CHRISTMAS MARKET

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 29TH 2024

FROM 10.00am

Stalls, Santa's Grotto and refreshments including hot turkey sandwiches.

Please join us!

Any donations of savouries and cakes would be gratefully received on the day
Donations for the Tombola to Carole Cunningham please.



Advent Carol Service

Sunday 30th
November at 6 pm.

A beautiful candlelit service of music,
hymns & readings. With hand bells
and minced pies this is a delightful
service for a wonderful start to
Advent!



Light of Life Service

Tues 2nd Dec, 7 pm.

We will be lighting the
Christmas tree in Church &
we invite you to dedicate a
light on it to those special people in your
thoughts. Dedication forms are in the
Signpost or at the back of church.

Forms are available at the back of church
or in the Signpost should you wish to
make a dedication.

Christmas Flowers

Donations to Carole or in the collection tin at the back of church,
Thank you!



THIS WEEK AT ST MICHAEL'S

Sunday – Safeguarding Sunday (*Luke 21. 5 - 19*)

- 8.30 am Holy Communion
- 10.00 am 'All-in' Holy Communion (Church & )
- 6.00 pm Celtic Eucharist

- Monday**
- 4.00 pm Community Food Store (Kepier)
 - 6.00 pm Vestry hour (call Parish Office for appointment)

- Tuesday**
- 3.30 pm Family Fun (Kepier)

- Wednesday**
- 7.30 p, Gilpin Singers Practice (in Church)

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

Our 'Drop-in' is open at the Space4 Hub (Newbottle St) 10-1 Mon-Fri

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: SUPPORT CHURCH FUND RAISING!

23rd November – Christ the King (*Luke 23. 33 - 43*)

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

- 29th Nov**
- 10.00 am Christmas Market

- 30th Nov**
- 6.00 pm Advent Carol Service

- 2nd Dec**
- 3.00 am Light of Life Service

Watch this space for other upcoming events!

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