

St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

**SERVICE DETAILS &
WEEKLY NOTICES**

31st May 2026

Trinity 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:

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Readings for 8.30 am & 10.00 am:

First: Isaiah 40. 12 – 17, 27 - end

Second: 2 Corinthians 13. 11 - end

Gospel: Mathew 28. 16 - end ; متى ٢٨ : ١٦ – النهاية

Details of the Parish Eucharist at 10.00 am

Opening Hymn: 'Holy, holy, holy Lord God Almighty!' (276)

Gradual Hymn: 'Father of heaven, whose love profound' (628)

Hymn of Offering: 'Bright the vision that delighted' (603)

Communion Hymn: 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord' (661)

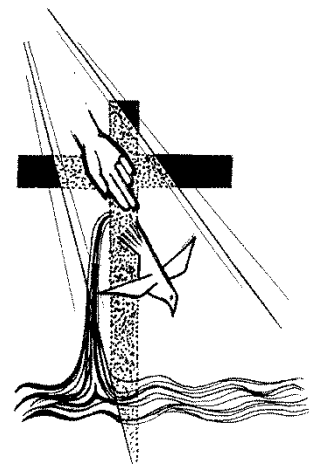
Closing Hymn: 'Christ triumphant, ever reigning' (612)

Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'Alleluia sing to Jesus!' (422)

Second Hymn: 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God' (775)

Third Hymn: 'Immortal, invisible, God only wise' (676)





PRAYER CONCERNS FOR OUR SERVICE AND PERSONAL PRAYER

In our church diary we pray: For those being baptised, their parents & Godparents. Those preparing for admission to communion and those considering 'Exploring Faith'.

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, Alastair Bradley, Anna Bradley, Anne Camp, Helen Cheall, Helen Cowan, Peter Cunningham, Jennifer Dixon, Marjorie Fogg, John Friend, Ken Henderson, Evelyn Hendry, Brooke Kirkpatrick, Karen Lambton, Ruth Lindsay, Debbie Miller, Anne Robinson, Kenneth Rose, Aileen Scott, Gina Smith, John Wilde.

For the recently departed, including:

Stuart Gallagher, Norma Charlton, Margaret Glass, Bill Beattie.

Rotas for the coming week

Readers: K Close & D Turnbull (10.00 am Sun 7th)
S Hardy (6.00 pm Sun 7th)
J Bond (10.00 am Thurs 11th)

Stewards: J Henderson & S Gamble (10.00 am Sun 7th)
R Turnbull (6.00 pm Sun 7th)
S Wynn & J Beattie (10.00 am Thurs 11th)

Intercessors: D Turnbull (10.00 am Sun 7th)

Coffee: J & C Dixon (10.00 am 7th)

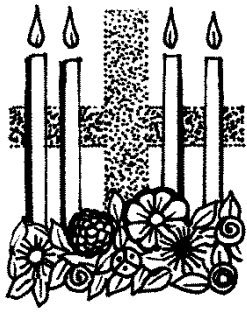
Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

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.



Reflective Service

Sun 31st May at 6.00 pm.

A worship service allowing for personal reflections with readings, music and prayer.

Led by Simon Hardy

On Sunday 28th June at 10am Sue Elsey will be ordained Deacon in Durham Cathedral and all are welcome to attend. We will explore booking a coach or car sharing if that enables people to go. There will be a Service of Holy Communion at 6pm in St Michaels at which Reverend Sue Elsey will be our preacher.



Start!

Exploring Faith

A series of informal sessions to help people explore some of those 'big life questions' and consider their journey of faith. We're planning these for Wednesday evenings in June. If you're interested or want to know more please speak to a member of the ministry team.

Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

The MU trip to Ripon has been cancelled.

Instead, we are going to hold a meeting on Monday 29th June. We are going to hold a bring and share with bingo and beetle drive. There is a list at the back of the church for you to write down what you can bring to share.

Mothers' Union Festival service will be held on Tuesday 16th June, 2.00 pm at Durham Cathedral.

Lunch Hour Music Club, Piano Recital


Friday 5th June, 12.30pm to 1.30 pm at Gravel Walks Bungalow, Edwin St.

Call June Lang on 0191 5847974 to confirm attendance.

Optional contribution will go to the Friends of Houghton Parish Church Trust

THIS WEEK AT ST MICHAEL'S

Sunday –Trinity Sunday (*Matthew 28. 16 - end*)

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

Monday

- 2.30 pm Community Food Store
- 6.00 pm Vestry hour (call Parish Office for appointment)
- 7.00 pm Rehearsal for Baptism Families

Tuesday

- 1.15 pm 'Light' – Drop In Bereavement Group (Hub, Newbottle St)
- 3.30 pm Family Fun (Kepier Hall)
- 6.00 pm Growing Church Meeting (Choir Vestry)

Thursday

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

Friday

- 9.30 am Community Food Store (Kepier Hall)
- 9.30 am Stay and Play (Kepier Hall)


Saturday

- 2.00 pm Drop-In (Hub, Newbottle St)

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

7th June – First Sunday after Trinity (*Matthew 3. 3-13, 18-26*)

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

16th Jun 2.00 pm Mothers' Union Festival Service (Durham Cathedral)

20th Jun 10.00 am Coffee Morning (in Church, until 1.00 pm)

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