

St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

SERVICE DETAILS & WEEKLY NOTICES

21st June 2026

Third 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:

God our saviour, look on this wounded world in pity and in power; hold us fast to your promises of peace won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Readings for 8.30 am & 10.00 am:

First: Jeremiah 20. 7 - 13

Second: Romans 6. 1b - 11

Gospel: Matthew 22. 34 - 40 ; متى ٢٢ : ٣٤ - ٤٠

Details of the Parish Eucharist at 10.00 am

Opening Hymn: 'Be thou my vision' (HON 64)

Gradual Hymn: 'One more step along the world I go' (HON 510)

Hymn of Offering: 'Brother, sister, let me serve you' (HON 81)

Communion Hymn: 'Make me a channel of your peace' (HON 435)

Closing Hymn: 'Guide me, O thou great redeemer' (HON 240)

Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'Bright the vision' (603)

Second Hymn: 'Jesus is Lord!' (690)

Third Hymn: 'One more step along the world I go' (757)





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'.

In our Diocese to be Ordained & their Parishes:

Priest: Emily Carling, Katherin Cooper-Young, Ray Leonard, Ann Lipscombe, Claire Mead, Helen Miller, Donna Robinson.

Deacons: Paula Barber, James Cochran, Eleanor Cockayne, Susan Cooke, Alison Donnison, Susan Elsey, John Hinton, Katie Malcolm, Susanna Wall.

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, Anne Camp, Helen Cheall, Helen Cowan, Peter Cunningham, Jennifer Dixon, 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:

Isabella Johnston, Alastair Bradley, Marjorie Fogg, Maureen Hays, Brian Conley, Joan Haswell, Brian Lambert.

Rotas for the coming week

Readers: *No Service* (10.00 am Sun 28th)
A Slater & D Anderson (6.00 pm Sun 28th)
E Garbutt (10.00 am Thurs 2nd)

Stewards: *No Service* (10.00 am Sun 28th)
J Henderson & S Gamble (6.00 pm Sun 28th)
E Harkness & E Garbutt (10.00 am Thurs 2nd)

Intercessors: L Farthing (6.00 pm Sun 28th)

Coffee: *No Service* (10.00 am 28th)

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.



Celtic Eucharist

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

Led by Rev'd Margaret Lee

Sun 21st June at 6.00 pm.

Sue Elsey's Ordination: Sunday 28th June 2026

Our Reader, Sue Elsey, will be ordained Deacon at Durham Cathedral on Sunday 28th June at 10:00 AM, and everyone is warmly invited to attend. Later that day, there will be a single Holy Communion service at 6:00 PM at St Michael's, where Sue will be preaching her first sermon as Deacon.

Coach Details & Payment

- Transport: We will leave from the Arch at 9am sharp, arriving at the Student Union approx. 9.20am to walk (10 mins) to be seated by 9.45am. Returning from the Student Union at 12.30pm arriving back approx. 12.50pm. There are steps on route, please contact us urgently if accessibility is an issue
- Deadline: Please ensure payment of £10 is made by 21st June.

Ordination Celebration

We will be celebrating Rev'd Sue's Ordination following the 6.00pm service on Sunday 28th June at 7.00pm in the Kepier Hall. Everyone is welcome!

Tea & Coffee will be available, please bring your own drinks. Donations of desserts/puddings are very welcome. Please let us know on the list at the back of church what you can contribute.
Thank you.

The Gilpin Singers

An evening of Song

Wednesday 8th July at 7.00pm

Doors open at 6.30pm

Tickets £5, under 16s free but need a ticket - available from

Carole Cunningham on 07767155549 or
Kathryn Jones on 07731815325

Our congratulations to Rita Turnbull and Simon Hardy admitted by the Bishop of Durham at Durham Cathedral last Sunday to the role of Churchwarden of St Michael & All Angels for this coming year.

THIS WEEK AT ST MICHAEL'S

Sunday – Second Sunday after Trinity (*Matthew 9. 35 – 10.8 [9.23]*)

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

Monday 2.30 pm Community Food Store
6.00 pm Vestry hour (call Parish Office for appointment)

Tuesday 3.30 pm Family Fun (Kepier Hall)
6.30 pm Holy Communion
7.00 pm PCC (in Church)

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)

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

28th June – Fourth Sunday after Trinity (*Matthew 16. 13 - 19*)

- 10.00 am Ordination of Sue Elsey (Durham Cathedral)
- 6.00 pm Holy Communion – Preacher: Rev'd Sue Elsey
- 7.00 pm Ordination Celebration (Kepier Hall)

29th Jun 2.00 pm Mothers' Union Bring & Share Beetle Drive (Kepier Hall)

8th Jul 7.00 pm The Gilpin Singers Concert (Doors open at 6.30 pm)

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