

St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

SERVICE DETAILS & WEEKLY NOTICES

13th September 2026

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity/Proper 19



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:

Lord God, defend your Church from all false teaching and give to your people knowledge of your truth, that we may enjoy eternal life in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Readings for 8.30 am & 10.00 am:

First: Genesis 50. 15 -21

Second: Romans 14. 1 - 12

Gospel: Matthew 18. 21 - 35 ; متى 35-21 :18

70 times 7

Details of the Parish Eucharist at 10.00 am

Opening Hymn: 'O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness' (103)

Gradual Hymn: 'Such love, pure as the whitest snow' (785)

Hymn of Offering: 'I will sing the wondrous story' (671)

Communion Hymn: 'Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it' (690)

Closing Hymn: 'Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us' (702)

Details for Choral Evensong at 6.00 pm

First Hymn: 'Come, let us join our cheerful song' (362)

Second Hymn: 'O God beyond all praising' (743)

Third Hymn: 'At the name of Jesus' (593, omit*)

Psalm: 67

Anthem: 'The Lords my shepherd'

Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'Come, let us join our cheerful song' (362)

Second Hymn: 'Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising' (638)

Third Hymn: 'Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy' (713)

 PRAYER CONCERNS FOR OUR SERVICE AND PERSONAL PRAYER

In our church diary we pray: For those being baptised this month: Isla (Hannah & Robert), Lilia (Jasmine & Connor).

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, Stuart Burnside, Anne Camp, Helen Cheall, Pauline Coulson, Helen Cowan, Peter Cunningham, Jennifer Dixon, Stella Foster, John Friend, Ken Henderson, Evelyn Hendry, Kenny Johnson, Brooke Kirkpatrick, Ruth Lindsay, Debbie Miller, Anunda Samoo (Andy), Nirmala Samoo, Kenneth Rose, Aileen Scott, Gina Smith, John Wilde.

For the recently departed, including:

Norman Lindsay, Raymond Carter, Maurice Whittaker, Anne Goodman.

Rotas for the coming week

Readers: P Hall (10.00 am Sun 20th)
S Hardy (6.00 pm Sun 20th)
E Harkness (10.00 am Thurs 24th)

Stewards: D & B Scott (10.00 am Sun 20th)
J Henderson (6.00 pm Sun 20th)
E Harkness & E Garbutt (10.00 am Thurs 24th)

Intercessors: Ministers (6.00 pm Sun 20th)

Coffee: K Arden & G Loscombe (10.00 am 20th)

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.



Choral Evensong

Our traditional service of evening prayer
with singing led by our choir.

Sunday 13th September at 6.00pm
Led by Rev'd Margaret Lee.

Heritage Open Days Thurs 17th Sept – Sat 19th Sept



Every September thousands of volunteers across England organise events to celebrate our fantastic history and culture, and Open Church is part of it! It's not just for visitors but also the Church family! We're happy for both visitors and Church members to join us for refreshments and a catch up.



On Sat 19th Sept as part of Heritage Open day we will also be hosting the **Church Coffee Morning** from 10.00 am. Donations of savouries and cakes welcome. Please speak to Simon Hardy for more details.

Civic lunch Sunday 4th Oct, Kepier Hall from 12pm

For those wishing to come and share in our Feast Sunday lunch please sign up on the list at the back of church.

If you are able to donate a dessert please also indicate on the list what you can bring.

We need a team help also with the clear up following the lunch, if you can volunteer please let us know on the sheet.



Community Hymn Sing

What's your favourite? This year we're compiling our 'Top 10' hymns to sing at our Community Hymn sing. Voting slips at the back of Church.



THIS WEEK AT ST MICHAEL'S

Sunday – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (*Matthew 18.21-35*)

- 8.30 am Holy Communion
- 10.00 am Holy Communion (Church & )
- 6.00 pm Choral Evensong

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

- Tuesday**
- 7.00 am Holy Communion

- Wednesday**
- 1.00 pm Mums Fitness (Kepier Hall)

- Thursday**
- 10.00 am Holy Communion (in Church)
 - Heritage week (until 2.00pm)

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

- Saturday**
- 10.00 am Heritage week & Coffee Morning (until 2.00pm)

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

20th September – 'Back to Church' Sunday (*Matthew 20.1-16*)

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

- 22nd Sept**
- 7.30 pm PCC

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