

St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

SERVICE DETAILS & WEEKLY NOTICES

6th September 2026

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity/Proper 18



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:

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Readings for 8.30 am & 10.00 am:

First: Ezekiel 33. 7 - 11

Second: Romans 13. 8 -end

Gospel: Matthew 18. 15 - 20 ; متى 18 :20-15



Details of the Parish Eucharist at 10.00 am

Opening Hymn: 'Christ is the one who calls' (487)

Gradual Hymn: 'There is a Redeemer' (805)

Hymn of Offering: 'Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart' (595)

Communion Hymn: 'Make me a channel of your peace' (725)

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

Details for Service of Light at 6.00 pm

First Hymn: 'Thou, whose almighty word' (810)

Second Hymn: 'Thine for ever! God of love' (807)

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

Fourth Hymn: 'Creator God, the world around' (536)

Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'God is working his purpose out' (646)

Second Hymn: 'O God you search me and you know me' (747)

Third Hymn: 'Great is thy faithfulness' (650)

 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), Charlie, Jack, Lily, Ellie, Lacie (Joanne & Sean).

For members of our church family unable to join us in church today:

Jean Clifford, Joyce Grey, Anne Goodman, 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, 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.

Rotas for the coming week

Readers: J Henderson & S Hardy (10.00 am Sun 13th)
R Turnbull (6.00 pm Sun 13th)
J Bond (10.00 am Thurs 17th)

Stewards: S & J Wilde (10.00 am Sun 13th)
R Turnbull (6.00 pm Sun 13th)
S Wynne & J Beattie (10.00 am Thurs 17th)

Intercessors: K Close (6.00 pm Sun 13th)

Coffee: L Scott & S Wilde (10.00 am 13th)

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.



Service of Light

A gentle evening service with music, hymns, readings & sermon.

Sunday 6th September at 6.00 pm

Led by Rev'd John Barron & Simon Hardy

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



USHAW FLOWER FESTIVAL

Thursday September 10th – Sunday September 13th

One of the arrangements is being arranged by Gilly Beck and celebrates a previous organist and choirmaster of St Michael's, William Shenton. He wrote an oratorio for this church – some of his pieces the choir still sing. This work tells the story of Christ and reflects the church's year and the arrangements are linked to the liturgical colours for that season.

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.



Mothers Union Harvest lunch
27th September at 1pm in the Kepier Hall.

The cost is £6.95 for Pie and Peas followed by Bingo. If you would like to attend please let Joan or Sheila know by 20th September.

THIS WEEK AT ST MICHAEL'S

Sunday – Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (*Matthew 18.15-20*)

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

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)

Friday 9.30 am Community Food Store (Kepier Hall)

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

13th September – Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity (*Matthew 18.21-35*)

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

17th Sept 11.00 am Heritage week (until 2.00pm)

18th Sept 10.00 am Heritage week (until 2.00pm)

19th Sept 10.00 am Heritage week & Coffee Morning (until 2.00pm)

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