

St Michael and All Angels, Houghton - le - Spring

SERVICE DETAILS & WEEKLY NOTICES

11th October 2026

St Francis



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:

O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself to the childlike and lowly of heart: grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Readings for 10.00 am:

First: Numbers 22. 21 - 31

Gospel: Matthew 11. 25 - 30 ; 30-25 :11 متى

Details of the Pet Service at 10.00 am

Hymns Old & New

Opening Hymn: 'Morning has broken' (447)

Second Hymn: 'All thing bright and beautiful' (26)

Closing Hymn: 'If I were a butterfly' (291)

Details for Celtic Eucharist at 6.00 pm

First Hymn: 'Let all creation dance' (539)

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

Details of the Thursday Holy Communion at 10.00 am

First Hymn: 'O worship the King, all glorious above' (754, omit*)

Second Hymn: 'We bring you, Lord, our prayer and praise' (571)

Third Hymn: 'Take up the song, and sing the praise of God' (568)





PRAYER CONCERNS FOR OUR SERVICE AND PERSONAL PRAYER

In our church diary we pray: for the health, safety, and well-being of animal companions and for their unconditional love and faithful companionship they offer.

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

Jean Clifford, Pauline Coulson, Maureen Howard, Maureen Hutton, Emma Hyden, Ozzy Masters, Rita Stone, Joy Wanless.

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, Peter Cunningham, Jennifer Dixon, Stella Foster, Ken Henderson, Evelyn Hendry, Kenny Johnson, Brooke Kirkpatrick, Ruth Lindsay, Debbie Miller, Martin Moore, Nirmala Samoo, Anunda Samoo (Andy), Kenneth Rose, Aileen Scott, Gina Smith, John Wilde.

For the recently departed, including:

Anne Goodman, Ruby Lambert, Susan Rewcastle, Joyce Gray.

Rotas for the coming week

Readers: Guides (10.00 am Sun 18th)
S Hardy & others (6.00 pm Sun 18th)
E Harkness (10.00 am Thurs 22nd)

Stewards: D & B Scott (10.00 am Sun 18th)
J Henderson (6.00 pm Sun 18th)
E Harkness & E Garbutt (10.00 am Thurs 22nd)

Intercessors: Team (6.00 pm Sun 18th)

Coffee: L Scott & S Wilde (10.00 am 18th)

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility

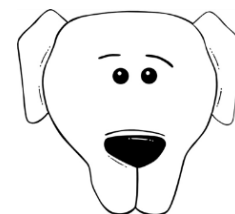
The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in Church activities is the responsibility of everyone who participates in the life of the Church. If you are concerned that someone you know is at risk, or is being abused, or presents a risk to others, please seek advice from either:

Diocesan Safeguarding Officer: Beth Miller 07968034075

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Ali Young 07532034075

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

*A Warm Welcome to all to pets
(and cuddly toys) and owners!
Water bowls and treats are at the back of
church, please help yourself to them.*



Celtic Eucharist

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

Led by Rev'd Claire Cullingworth.

Sun 11th October at 6.00 pm.

A HUGE 'Thank You'

**for everyone's colossal efforts over
the last week in all our Houghton
Feast events. Everyones help and
support made it a very succesful
week!**



Harvest Festival Sun 18th October

**We are celebrating our 'All-In' Harvest Festival next
week and are delighted that we will be joined by
uniformed organisations at our 10 am service.**

**In the evening at 6pm we have a special
'Harvest' Choral Service.**

**Donations of non-perishable food at our Sunday
Services will be used in our community foodstore.**

THIS WEEK AT ST MICHAEL'S

Sunday – St Francis (*Matthew 11. 25 - 30*)

8.30 am Holy Communion
10.00 am Pet Service (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 am Family Fun (Kepier Hall)

Thursday 10.00 am Holy Communion (in Church)

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:

18th October – Harvest Festival (*Luke 12. 16 - 30*)

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

1st Nov 6.00 pm All Souls Service

Watch this space for other upcoming events!

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