

St Michael and All Angels, South Westoe

6/7 September 2025

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Intention: Our Parish and People

6pm (Saturday) – Mass

Hymns 487, 445 (t 337), 790, 578 (National Anthem), 827

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine forth on your servant: and teach me your decrees. Alleluia.

8am – Mass (BCP)

6pm – Mass at St Hilda's

1. The next Parish Office will be on Mondays 8, 22 September, and 6 October.
2. Monday 8 September at 12.30pm: Teddy Bears' Picnic and Celebration of Baptism.
3. Saturday 13 September: Coffee Morning at 10am.
4. Thursday 18 and 25 September: Choir Practice at 6pm for the Patronal Festival.
5. Saturday 20 September at 12 noon: Canon Peter Brown celebrates fifty years of Priestly Ordination. Solemn Mass at St Ignatius', Hendon. Preacher: The Bishop of Blackburn. All welcome.
6. Monday 22 September: Meeting of the Parochial Church Council at 7.15pm.
7. Tuesday 23 September: Deanery Standing Committee at 10am.
8. Saturday 27 September: North East Walsingham Festival at St Mary's, Horden. Mass at 12 noon.
9. Monday 29 September – Michaelmas: Patronal Festival at 7.30pm. Preacher: Father Nicholas Johnson SSC.
10. Saturday 11 October: 10am-3pm Children's Ministry Course at Christ the King, Bowburn with the Bishop of Beverley.

This week's scripture readings at Mass

Micah 5.1-4 | Matthew 1.1-16, 19-23

Colossians 2.6-15 | Luke 6.12-19

Colossians 3.1-11 | Luke 6.20-26

Colossians 3.12-17 | Luke 6.27-38

1 Timothy 1.1-2, 12-14 | Luke 6.39-42

1 Timothy 1.15-17 | Luke 6.43-end

This week's services and prayer intentions

[Services in italics at St Hilda's Church]

Monday 8 September

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Intention: His Majesty The King

8.30am Morning Prayer

9.00am Mass

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Tuesday 9 September

Charles Fuge Lowder

Intention: SSC Ward of the Venerable Bede

6.00pm Mass

Celebrant: Canon Peter Brown

Wednesday 10 September

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Intention: Lifeboats

10.00am Mass

Celebrant: Father Leslie Barron

Thursday 11 September

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Intention: Society of the Holy Cross

11.00am Mass (BCP)

Celebrant: Father Richard Brown

Friday 12 September

Most Holy Name of Mary

Intention: Those in need

Saturday 13 September

St John Chrysostom

Intention: Bell Ringers

Sunday 14 September

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Intention: Our Parish and People

Mass (BCP) at 8.00am

Celebrant: Father Paul Murray

Sung Mass at 11.00am

Celebrant: Canon John Miller

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COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 30.15-end

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

PSALM Verses from Psalm 1

R. Lord, my delight is in thy law.

Blessed is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners : and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord : and in his law will he exercise himself day and night. **R.**

Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgement : neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous : and the way of the ungodly shall perish. **R.**

SECOND READING Philemon 1-21

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty,

yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but as more than a slave, a beloved brother—especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

GOSPEL Luke 14.25-33

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Large crowds were travelling with him; and he turned and said to them, ‘Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, “This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.” Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.’

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of all mercy, in this eucharist you have set aside our sins and given us your healing: grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**