St Michael and All Angels, South Westoe

8 November 2026
REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Intention: Our Parish and People
8am – Mass (BCP)
9.30am – Sung Mass
Hymns 746, 623, O valiant hearts,
National Anthem, 579
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake and stand ready: because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia.
10.50am – Civic Remembrance Service

1. Thank you to everyone who supported and organised yesterday's Coffee Morning in aid of the Royal British Legion.
2. The next Parish Office will be on Mondays 16, 23 November & 7 December from 6pm.
3. Tuesday 10 November at 7.00pm: Jarrow Deanery Synod meets at St John the Baptist, Perth Avenue.
4. Thursday 12 November: Choir Practice at 6pm.
5. Monday 23 November: Meeting of the Parochial Church Council at 7.15pm.
6. Saturday 28 November from 11am: Christmas Bazaar and Grand Draw. Donations for all stalls will be gratefully received.
7. Sunday 29 November: Advent Sunday: Masses at 8am and 11am | Advent Carol Service at 5pm. Collection for Needy Families organised through the Salvation Army.
8. Anyone who would like to join the rotas for readings and intercessions should speak to Anne Shields.

This week's Scripture readings at Mass
Titus 1.1-9 | Luke 17.1-6
Titus 2.1-8, 11-14 | Luke 17.7-10
Titus 3.1-7 | Luke 17.11-19
Philemon 7-20 | Luke 17.20-25
2 John 4-9 | Luke 17.26-end
3 John 5-8 | Luke 18.1-8

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Cheques made payable to 'St Michael's PCC'.

This week's services and prayer intentions
[Services in italics at St Hilda's Church]

Monday 9 November
Feria
Intention: Church Buildings
8.30am Morning Prayer
9.00am Mass

Tuesday 10 November
St Leo the Great
Intention: Pope Leo XIV
5.30pm Evening Prayer
6.00pm Mass

Wednesday 11 November
St Martin of Tours
Intention: Veterans
9.30am Mass
10.50am Armistice Day Act of Remembrance at West Park
5.30pm Evening Prayer

Thursday 12 November
St Josaphat
Intention: Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham
11.00am Mass (BCP)

Friday 13 November
Feria
Intention: Those in need

Saturday 14 November
Feria
Intention: Market Stall Holders
10.00am Mass

Sunday 15 November
SAINT HILDA SUNDAY
Intention: Our Parish and People
Mass (BCP) at 8am
Sung Mass at 11am
Festal Evensong at St Hilda's at 6pm

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COLLECT

Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Wisdom 6.12-16

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

PSALM Psalm 70

Haste thee, O God, to deliver me : make haste to help me, O Lord.

Let them be ashamed and confounded that seek after my soul : let them be turned backward and put to confusion that wish me evil.

Let them for their reward be soon brought to shame : that cry over me, There, there.

But let all those that seek thee be joyful and glad in thee : and let all such as delight in thy salvation say alway, The Lord be praised.

As for me, I am poor and in misery : haste thee unto me, O God.

Thou art my helper and my redeemer : O Lord, make no long tarrying.

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 4.13-end

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

GOSPEL Matthew 25.1-13

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus spoke this parable to the disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.'

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**