



St. Michael's

ALNWICK

Sunday, 8th February 2026

THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

A warm welcome to our worship today.
Please do join us for refreshments after the 10.00am service.

Gluten Free: If you would prefer to receive a gluten free wafer at communion, please receive from the officiating minister and indicate your preference to them.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

8.30am

Holy Communion

President & Preacher : Canon Sue Allen

10.00am

Parish Communion

President : Reverend Mitch, Vicar

Preacher : Canon Sue Allen

5.00pm

Evening Prayer

Officiant : Reverend Mitch, Vicar

HYMNS

532	All creatures of our God and King
810	Thou whose almighty word
676	Immortal, invisible, God only wise
765	Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

READINGS

Genesis 1 : 1 – 2 : 3

Romans 8 : 18 - 25

Matthew 6 : 25 - 34

Mass Setting Margaret Rizza (*see yellow sheets*)

Organ Voluntary No 5 from *Baroques* by Seth Bingham

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, 9th

8.30am Morning Prayer
11.00am Funeral of Allen Thompson in church

Tuesday, 10th

8.30am Morning Prayer
7.00pm St Michael's Bowls Club

Wednesday, 11th

10.15am Holy Communion

Thursday, 12th

8.30am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mini Michaels

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, 15th

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Parish Communion
5.00pm Iona Style Evening Prayer

Monday, 16th

8.30am Morning Prayer
11.30am Funeral of Eileen Johnstone in church followed by a private committal at Northumberland Crematorium

Tuesday, 17th

8.30am Morning Prayer
7.00pm St Michael's Bowls Club

Wednesday, 18th Ash Wednesday

10.15am Holy Communion
12.00pm Lent Lunch, St James's Church, Pottergate
7.00pm Ash Wednesday Eucharist

Thursday, 19th

8.30am Morning Prayer
9.30am Mini Michaels

Saturday, 21st

11.00am Messy Church

'GOING DEEPER'

For all those who have expressed an interest in joining 'Going Deeper' groups, we haven't forgotten you! Various issues have caused a bit of a delay, and we recognise that if we set something up now, by the time we get going we would clash with the course that will be running during Lent, which starts in just over three weeks.

So we really hope that all those who are interested in further study will get involved in this course (for which more information will be available shortly). We will be using the time to confirm location, timing, initial content and leaders, so that we will be ready to get going straight after Easter. So apologies for this further postponement but watch this space for updates.

Plans for Lent & Holy Week

For this year's Lent Course we will be using 'The things he carried' by Stephen Cottrel. **The first session will be on Monday, 23rd February at 7.00pm.** The remaining sessions will take place on **Wednesday evenings at 7.00pm** with the final session on Wednesday, 25th March. Please note that the venue for this course is currently under review and will be confirmed as soon as possible.

If you would like to join us for this, please put your name on the sign-up sheet at the back of church.

Holy Week

I am excited to let you know that The Very Reverend Jane Hedges will be leading our Holy Week mediations and sermons this year, including a Parish Quiet Day on Holy Tuesday, 31st March. More details to follow.

The Children's Society

Thank you to everyone who brought in their collecting boxes to be counted. Lynne was pleased to be able to send over £470 to help with the work of the Society.

Palm Crosses: Please would you bring your palm crosses from last year to church and place them in the basket provided. These will then be burnt to form the ash for the imposition of ashes as part of the Ash Wednesday services.

Mothers' Union

Happy New Year to all our MU members in this the 150th celebration year of Mothers' Union. We begin our year here in Alnwick with a meeting, kindly hosted by Penny, at her home in Church Lane on Wednesday (11th Feb). Looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible next week.

Anne Cooke



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