

Gradual Hymn

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see.

Chorus

*Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.*

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has power to save us.
Make us your living voice.
Christ be our light!.....

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
Shared until all are fed.
Christ.....

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
Walls made of living stone.
Christ.....

Many the gifts, many the people.
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
Making your kingdom come.
Christ.....

Tots Church

Playing and praising together with
St Michael's and St Mary's
Join us for creative play, messy art,
bible stories, songs and praise
For all pre-school children and families.
Tuesday 5th February
'A baby in a basket'
Malton CP School Hall at 9.15am

DUTIES

The current duty lists finish on 24 February. The new period will run until the end of June. This period includes Easter, when there will be extra services. Would you please let Margaret Clark know by Sunday 10 February if and when you are unavailable for duties during this period.

Anybody who would like to be included in the team of welcomers, readers or intercessors, please let, Trish, Alan or Margaret (696790) know.

Lent Course - March

'Inspiring Music in Worship' will be a series of five meetings to explore what music means to us and why it is important in worship. The course will take place at St Michael's on Wednesday evenings 13th, 20th, 27th March and 3rd and 10th April from 7-9pm.

Everyone attending should have their own course book. If you would like to take part, please sign the list at the back of church before 24th Feb, so that we can order enough books. A book costs £5 and we would also request an additional £5 for refreshments and other requirements. If the cost will prohibit you from being able to attend, please see the vicar, as there may be a bursary available.

Carolyn Richardson will be making her move south on Friday 8th February.

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**3 February
2019**

Candlemas

**Presentation
of Christ in the
Temple**



St Michael's Church, Malton

The Church in the Market Place

*We are a church, who invites and welcomes others,
to journey together, growing in our love of Christ
and deepening our relationship with Him.*

Welcome to our services today

We welcome to Communion all baptized Christians. Coffee is served after the Parish Communion service; please stay for this and, if you are new to St Michael's, make yourself known to us.

TODAY'S SERVICES

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion-All Age

President & Preacher The Revd Glyn Diggins

**Hymns at 9.30 a.m. 516, Gradual see pg.4,
80 (omit verses 7-11), 513, 360**

Collect

Almighty and ever-living God,
clothed in majesty,
whose beloved Son
was this day presented in the Temple,
in substance of our flesh:
grant that we may be presented to you
with pure and clean hearts,
by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna,
who lived to welcome the Messiah:
may we, who have received these gifts beyond words,
prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes
to bring us to eternal life;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Website: www.maltonbenefice.org.uk

THANK YOU: to everyone who turned out on a very cold Wednesday night to plan social & fundraising events for the coming year

The Diary

The February edition is available on the church web site to read at: www.maltonbenefice.org.uk
If there is anything you want included in future back page jottings of The Diary, leave info in church, clearly marked "For the Diary" or email to maltonbenefice@yahoo.com

CHOIR NOTES

During communion the choir will sing the Anthem 'Born on a new day' after the Gospel reading and during Communion they will sing 'Fairest Lord Jesus' and hymn 244.



BENEFACT PRAYERS-WEEK 7

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Chancery Lane, Cherry Avenue, Market Place, Pitman Road, Roman Garth and West Lodge Gardens.

World Day of Prayer

A Bible Study will be held at the Salvation Army HQ, Wood Street, Norton, on Tuesday 12th February at 9.45am for 10am



PRAYER BREAKFAST: next Saturday at 9.00 a.m. You are invited to join us for thirty minutes of prayer followed by tea/coffee and toast.



Monday 4 February

8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Tuesday 5 February

8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer
9.15 a.m. Tots Church: Primary School
7.00 p.m. Deanery Gathering: Terrington

Wednesday 6 February

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion followed by coffee at Bar 46, Market Place

Thursday 7 January

9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Mary's
7.30 p.m. Choir Practice

Friday 8 February

8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

Saturday 9 February

9.00 a.m. Prayer Breakfast
10.00 a.m. Coffee Stop: Trish Atkinson
Sally Ainsworth

Sunday 10 February

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion
6.30 p.m. Evensong at St Mary's

READINGS & DUTIES 10 February

Readings Isaiah 6. 1-8
I Corinthians 15. 1-11
Luke 5. 1-11
Duty Leader David White
Assistant Elaine Ramsey
Sidespersons Anne White, Peter Thompson
Readers Shirley Thompson,
Claudia Brettle
Intercessions Sarah Barry
Server Tracey Young,
Chalice Tracey Young, Trish Atkinson
Transport Edith Mason
Coffee Trish Atkinson, Margaret Clark
Flowers Mrs R Miller

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Since the children share flesh and blood, Jesus himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Hebrews 2. 14-18

Hear the Gospel of our Lord according to Luke

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord. (as it is written in the law of the Lord, 'Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord'), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, 'a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons.' Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, 'Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.' And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed – and a sword will pierce your own soul too.' There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshipped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Luke 2. 22-40

CHOIR ANTHEM

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