

### Covenant Prayer

I am no longer my own but yours.  
Your will, not mine, be done in all things,  
wherever you may place me,  
in all that I do  
and in all that I may endure;  
when there is work for me  
and when there is none;  
when I am troubled  
and when I am at peace.  
Your will be done  
when I am valued  
and when I am disregarded;  
when I find fulfilment  
and when it is lacking;  
when I have all things,  
and when I have nothing.  
I willingly offer  
all I have and am  
to serve you,  
as and where you choose.  
Glorious and blessed God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
you are mine and I am yours.  
May it be so for ever.  
Let this covenant now made on earth  
be fulfilled in heaven. Amen.



**SATURDAY COFFEE STOPS:**  
next one on Saturday February 8th.

### BENEFICE LUNCH

at the Wentworth Arms, 12 noon  
**on Thursday 30th Jan.** Please let  
Helen Morgan know if you plan to  
attend, with your menu choices &  
whether you prefer a small or  
standard portion. Why not join us  
for good food & company?



**Pop up Café** at St Peter's  
Church House on Friday 31st January  
between 8.45 and 11.30am.

### Chechelele World Choir from York



will be performing at St Mary's  
church, Old Malton on Saturday  
1st February at 7.15 pm. Concert  
in aid of Jacob's Well charity.

### Tots Church

Playing and praising  
together with

St Michael's and St Mary's  
Tuesday 4th February

Stories about Jesus & his friends  
Malton CP School Hall at 9.15am

The Vicar is available for **Pastoral Home visits** on Friday afternoons.  
If you live in the Parish, or are on the Electoral Roll of the church, and would like a visit at home, please contact Revd. Glyn to make an appointment.

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## 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.

**26th  
January  
2020**

**We welcome the opportunity to worship today  
with our Methodist friends at the Wesley Centre.**

### TODAY'S SERVICES

10.00 a.m. Joint Covenant Service at Wesley Centre  
President & Preacher Revd Peter Sheasby

Hymns at 10.00 a.m. 678, 526, 232, 649, 693, 415

6.30 p.m. Holy Communion at St Mary's

### Collect

Almighty God,  
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles  
the wonder of your saving presence:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your mighty power;  
through 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.

### Post Communion Prayer

Almighty Father,  
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
is the light of the world:  
may your people,  
illumined by your word and sacraments,  
shine with the radiance of his glory,  
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed  
to the ends of the earth;  
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Third  
Sunday of  
Epiphany**



Website: [www.maltonbenefice.org.uk](http://www.maltonbenefice.org.uk)

**THANK YOU:** to everyone who gave up an evening last week to plan the social and fund raising events for this year.

## The Diary

The January edition is available on the church web site to read at:  
[www.maltonbenefice.org.uk](http://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](mailto:maltonbenefice@yahoo.com)

## CHOIR NOTES

No St Michael's choir this morning as we worship at the Wesley Centre.



## BENEFICE PRAYERS-WEEK 5

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Borough Mere Lane, Castlegate, Lowfield Road, Pickering Road, Riccal Drive and Wentworth Mews.

## MATTHEW 4.18-22

### The chosen ones

- ⇒ Who do you really admire and why?
- ⇒ What do you think Jesus meant when he said, 'I will send you out to fish for people?'
- ⇒ Is it hard to follow Jesus today? Why?
- ⇒ Ask God to help you be a better follower of Jesus.
- ⇒ Befriend someone outside your normal friendship group.

**Monday 27 January**

**Tuesday 28 January**

8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

**Wednesday 29 January**

10.30 a.m. Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel followed by coffee at Bar 46, Market Place

**Thursday 30 January**

9.00 a.m. Morning Prayer at St Mary's

12.00 noon Benefice lunch in Old Malton

7.30 p.m. Choir Practice

**Friday 31 January**

8.30 a.m. Morning Prayer

**Saturday 1 February**

7.15 p.m. Concert at St Mary's

**Sunday 2 February**

9.30 a.m. Parish Communion: All Age

## READINGS & DUTIES 2 February

Readings Hebrews 2. 14-18

Luke 3. 22-40

Duty Leader Samantha Free

Assistant Tracey Young

Sidespersons David Campion, Joyce Birch

Readers Sarah Barry

Intercessions Tracey Young

Server Janet Rogers,

Chalice Janet Rogers, Romeo Willis

Coffee Joan Brisby, Claudia Brettle

Transport Edith Mason

Flowers Mrs J Rogers

Cleaning Week comm. 3 Feb Team E

**Update on David and Mona Thackray:**  
they are both unwell and in hospital at present. For more information, contact Adrian on 07870 591142

Items for Weekly Sheet to:  
[helen.shaw59@btinternet.com](mailto:helen.shaw59@btinternet.com)

## A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Isaiah 9. 1-4

## A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul,' or 'I belong to Apollos,' or 'I belong to Cephas,' or 'I belong to Christ.' Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else. For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

I Corinthians 1. 10-18

## A reading from the Gospel of our Lord according to Matthew

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles – the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake – for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Matthew 4. 12-23