

Just a reminder that after the service **next Sunday**, the PCC is asking for your views and thoughts on what is important to St Michael's and its future. Your views will help the PCC to develop a clear and strong mission statement to guide our decisions and give us direction for the future. Please note that this is separate from the consultation regarding the re-ordering and repairs to the church.

We want to hear from as many people as possible and have designed an informal, fair and accessible process to allow everyone in the congregation (young and not quite as young) to share their thoughts. Please consider what you think is important to St Michael's and put forward your views next Sunday. Coffee and cake after the service and Andrew Watson has kindly volunteered to lead the discussion.

Sunday Reflection: Every week, the Diocese of York offers a new reflection and prayer resource on vimeo.com/dioceseforyork
This Sunday, The Ven Sam Rushton, Archdeacon of York, reflects on our Gospel reading.

March to June Sunday morning duty rota – Assistant Duty Leaders, Sidespersons, Intercessors and Tea/coffee Assistants are needed to lighten the load of current volunteers. If you feel you would like to join the rota team, please get in touch with Marg Rhodes before February 1st either by email mandmrhodes@btinternet.com or telephone 01653 531339. Thank you.

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The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity started on Thursday 18th January and runs until the 25th. The theme this year is "You shall love the Lord your God.. and your neighbour as yourself. (Luke 10. 27)

Message from the Community Food Bank: Happy New Year and thank you for your continuing support of the Ryedale Community Foodbank. The shelves at Howe Road are looking distinctly bare as we helped a record number of people in November and December. The shortages are all the basics: tinned vegetables, tinned potatoes, tinned tomatoes, baked beans, tinned fruit, instant mash, jam, rice pudding, custard, packets of rice & coffee.

Items for Weekly Sheet to:
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**21st
January
2024**

**Third
Sunday of
Epiphany**



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 service today

We welcome to Communion all baptized Christians. Coffee is served after Rise & Shine at 10.30am and before the Parish Communion service begins; please join us for refreshments and, if you are new to St Michael's, make yourself known to us.

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.

Prayer after Communion

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
is the light of the world: may your people,
illuminated 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.

Website: www.maltonbenefice.org.uk


A big thank you to Archdeacon Sam for coming over to lead our service today.

During Communion, the choir will sing “If Bethlehem were here today” by Nigel Hess & Hymn 520. 
At the end of the service, Alison will play Toccata on “Veni, Redemptor Genitum” by Paul Manz.
HYMNS: *, *, 90 & 417

BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK 24
Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Appletree Way, Greengate, Lime Tree Avenue, Pinfold Garth, Tara Park and Harvest Drive.

The next lunch after Wed morning Holy Communion is on 7th February. Please let Adrian know if you plan to attend. 07870 591142

**Shrove Tuesday
(13th February)**

 Tracey is planning another one of her epic Pancake Parties and volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs: making pancakes, setting up, serving food & clearing up afterwards. If you'd like to get involved in the fun, please let Tracey know as soon as you can.

If anyone would appreciate a home visit and/or home Communion, then please contact Connie Clark on 07544 380163.

Privacy Notice: seating in the side aisles is designated a “video-free” area - out of range of our cameras.

READINGS & DUTIES

Sunday 28th January at 9.30 am

Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Readings Malachi 3. 1-5
Hebrews 2. 14-18
Luke 2. 22- 40

Duty Leader Mike Rhodes
Assistant Andrew Nicholson
Sidesperson Marg Rhodes
Readers Rob Hall
Heather Williams

Intercessions Marg Rhodes
Chalice Rob Hall
Coffee Joyce Birch
Mark Davey
Flowers Janet Rogers

SERVICES

Parish Communion on Sundays at 9.30 am in church, except third Sunday of the month, when PC starts at 10.45 am and Rise & Shine (for families & children) is at 9.30 am. The All-Age service on the first Sunday is a non-Eucharistic service.

Holy Communion on Wednesdays at 10.30 am in church.

Services at St Mary's Priory
Today: Choral Mattins at 11.15 am
Wed: Holy Communion at 9.00 am
Thurs: Morning Prayer at 10.00 am
Next Sunday: Choral Mattins at 11.15 am & Evensong at 6.30 pm

LEGO CHURCH next Sunday for those aged 3 and upwards to explore Bible stories. Held in the Lady Chapel during Parish Communion.

Readings for Third Sunday of Epiphany

A reading from the book of Genesis

After Abram's return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything. Genesis 14. 17-20

A reading from the book of Revelation

I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out, 'Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready; to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure' – for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.' Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

Revelation 19. 6-10

Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to John

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So, they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him. John 2. 1-11