

The **Collection Plate** is no longer passed around during the service and you may put your offering in the plate at the back of church as you enter or leave. Alternatively, there is a way of giving to the church, without having to put money in the collection plate. It is called the **Parish Giving Scheme** and anyone can set up regular giving by going to the website:

<https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/home/> Just follow the instructions. The added advantage of this system is that it calculates the Gift Aid for us (if applicable) and returns the money to our account each month. If you need any help please contact the Treasurer.

**FLOWER ROTA:** a new Rota is in the process of preparation and there are some gaps. If anyone feels they could put flowers on the Altar windows for one week in the year, (maybe to commemorate a special anniversary) please sign up and leave a note on the table at the back of church. No previous experience is needed – guidance is available if required. Similarly, if there is anyone who feels they can no longer continue to fulfil this task, please fill in the appropriate box in the form provided. Thank you, Anne

The Church of England is running a Lent course called **“Watch & Pray.”** It invites us all to wait expectantly for God to meet us and sustain us through the storms and trials we all face. For full details see the website: [www.churchofengland.org](http://www.churchofengland.org) If you use email, you can sign up for daily Lent reflections and these are free. There is also a booklet available for those with no internet access for a cost of £2.50. The booklet for children is £1.50. The books are available from the CofE website. If anyone wants one but cannot access the internet, please see Heather.

**P is for Pilgrim - children's trail at York Minster 10th - 18th Feb**

Follow a special trail inspired by the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell's new book *“P is for Pilgrim”* and discover York Minster this half-term. Ask Helen Shaw for the digital pass to gain free entry to the Minster.

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

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Please note that it will not be possible to broadcast morning service on Zoom next Sunday, 18th February.

**All-Age Worship:** as Mothering Sunday falls on the second Sunday of the month, it has been decided that for March only, All-Age Worship will move to the 2nd Sunday, (10th). In this way, we can celebrate as a whole church family. Sunday 3rd March will be a Parish Eucharist.

Doreen hopes to see Olu & her new baby on Wed morning and has a card for her. if you would like to contribute to her gift, please see Doreen soonest. Many thanks to everyone who has already contributed.



# 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.*

**11th  
February  
2024**

## Welcome to our service 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.

## Collect

Almighty Father,  
whose Son was revealed in majesty  
before he suffered death upon the cross:  
give us grace to perceive his glory,  
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him  
and be changed into his likeness,  
from glory to glory;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Prayer after Communion

Holy God,  
we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:  
may we who are partakers at his table  
reflect his life in word and deed,  
that all the world may know his power  
to change and save.  
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Last  
Sunday  
before  
Lent**

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

**A big thank you to** the All-Age worship team for putting together our service last Sunday & to Janet for the Iona service.

During Communion, the Choir will sing "Day by Day" by Philip Godfrey & Hymn 383. At the end of the service Alison will play "Te Deum" Prelude by M. A. Charpentier  
**HYMNS: 2, 248, 278 & 368**

### **BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK I**

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Almond Tree Avenue, Broughton Road, Hamilton Green, Milton Road, Princess Road and The Shambles.

### **SHROVE TUESDAY**

Calling all pancake-lovers, young and old, you are warmly invited to **St Michael's Pancake Party** this coming Tuesday, 13th Feb. Drop into church between 5pm and 7pm. There will be piles of pancakes, toppings and refreshments with crafty and foody fun for the children!

**Tuesday Tea:** We invite you to join us for a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of cake, **this coming Tuesday** from 2.15 to 4pm. An opportunity for a relaxing catch-up with friends.

**NB:** Next Sunday Parish Communion starts at 10.45 am, with coffee beforehand. Rise & Shine at 9.30 am.

Items for Weekly Sheet to:  
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### **READINGS & DUTIES**

#### **Sunday 18th Feb at 10.45 am**

Readings	Genesis 9. 8-17 1 Peter 3. 18-22 Mark 1. 9-15
Duty Leader	Rob Hall
Assistant	Rosie Miller
Sidesperson	Mark Davey
Readers	Rob Hall Rosie Miller
Intercessions	Sarah Barry
Chalice	Helen Shaw
Coffee	Marg Rhodes Clare Firth

### **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. This Wednesday's Communion falls on **Ash Wednesday** & includes the Imposition of Ashes.

**Prayer Partners** will be running again during Lent. If you would like to join in, please take one of the forms from the table at the back of church.

### **Services at St Mary's Priory**

**Today:** Choral Mattins at 11.15 am & Evensong at 6.30 pm

**Wed: No morning HC service.** Sung Eucharist at 7.00 pm Imposition of Ashes

**Thurs:** Morning Prayer at 10.00 am

## **Readings for Last Sunday before Lent**

### **A reading from the second book of Kings**

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So, they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.' Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So, they came to Jericho. The company of prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the LORD will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent.' Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So, the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces. 2 Kings 2. 1-12

### **A reading from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians**

Even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2 Corinthians 4. 3-6

### **Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to Mark**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them anymore, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. 9. 2-9