

The **Collection Plate** is no longer passed around during the service and, if you are not signed up to the Parish Giving Scheme, you may put your offering in the plate at the back of church as you enter or in the second plate as you leave.

**Update from Ryedale Community Foodbank:** now that all the Easter eggs have gone, we are concentrating on building stocks towards our Children's School Holiday Packs. We are aiming for foods we would normally stock, but giving them out in larger quantities, so the parents can provide a meal at lunchtime to replace school dinners. Please contribute any of the following: cereals, baked beans/baked beans with sausages, tinned pasta in sauce, instant mash, tinned hot dogs, tinned meat balls, meat in sauce, large tins of ham, tins of tuna, no added sugar orange squash, fruit in juice, rice pudding, custard, sponge puddings, biscuits, jam & tomato ketchup.

Thank you, Sue Fitter

The **World Day of Prayer** are hosting Coffee Stop at St Michael's on Saturday 11th May between 10 am and 12 noon. There will be cakes for sale and also a Fair Trade stall. Please come along for a cuppa.

**OMG** has been nominated in the Ryedale Mumbler Awards in the category of Best Community Project or Charity for Families. If you have experience of OMG and would like to register a vote, you must do so before midnight on 31st May 24. The following link takes you to the voting web site.

[Shortlist Vote - Ryedale & Thirsk Mumbler](#)

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.

**Sunday Reflection:** every week, the Diocese of York offers a new reflection and prayer resource on: [vimeo.com/dioceseofyork](https://vimeo.com/dioceseofyork)  
This Sunday, Sam Nicol, Director for Strategic Transformation, reflects on our Gospel reading.

**St Mary's Priory Coffee Concert**  
Saturday 4th May. The recital starts at 10.15 am, with coffee/tea and cake available from 10 am. Free entry but a retiring collection.

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**28th  
April  
2024**

**Fifth  
Sunday  
of Easter**

**APCM**

## 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 the Parish Communion service; please stay for this and, if you are new to St Michael's, make yourself known to us.

### Collect

Almighty God,  
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
have overcome death and opened to us  
the gate of everlasting life:  
grant that, as by your grace going before us  
you put into our minds good desires,  
so by your continual help  
we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

### Prayer after Communion

Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way,  
the truth, and the life:  
grant us to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns,  
now and for ever.

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

**A big thank you** to Revd Glyn, who has been ministering to us for nearly nine years. We will miss him and wish him and Maureen all the best for the future.

During Communion, the choir will sing the Anthem "Come, ye faithful, raise the strain" & hymn 375. At the end of the service, Alison will play "Toccata" from Symphony no. 5 by C. M. Widor.  
**HYMNS: 591, 455, 262 & 160**



**BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK 12**  
Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Colling Wood Gardens, Fenton Lane, Mount Road, Rowan Avenue, Saville Street and York Road.

**Iona-style service**  
**Next Sunday** at 4pm.  
Tea & cake afterwards.  
Everyone welcome.



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

**Another thank you** to everyone who has volunteered to lock up our church at the end of the afternoon during the vacancy.  
**Reminder:** the rota starts tomorrow!

Next **Tuesday Tea** on 14th May.

**READINGS & DUTIES**  
**Sunday 5th May at 9.30 am**  
**All-Age service**

Readings Isaiah 55. 1-11  
Acts 10. 44-48  
John 15. 9-17  
Duty Leader Trish Atkinson  
Assistant Elaine Ramsey  
Sidesperson Joyce Birch  
Reader Leo Smith  
Intercessions Sue Thackray  
Coffee Clare Firth  
Rachel Watson  
Flowers Viv Pope  
**Ascension Day, 9th May at 10.30 am**  
Readings Daniel 7. 9-14  
Acts 1. 1-11  
Luke 24. 44-53  
Duty Leader Alan Young  
Sidesperson Tracey Young  
Readers Trish Atkinson  
Doreen Brown  
Intercessions Alan Young  
Chalice Tracey Young.

**SERVICES**  
**Parish Communion** on Sundays at 9.30 am in church, except third Sunday of the month, when Parish Communion 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.

Items for Weekly Sheet to:  
helen.shaw59@btinternet.com

**Readings for the Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Today's **Old Testament reading** is rather long and takes up too much space to be reproduced this week.  
Genesis 22. 1-18

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: 'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.' The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.  
Acts 8. 26-40

**Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to John**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine-grower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'  
John 15. 1-8