

Parish Giving Scheme: we have been advised that the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) is upgrading its systems and changing platforms. This will take place during the second half of October (13th - 30th Oct) and, during this time, you will not be able to access the platform. Anyone using the system will be advised by PGS and this is just an early warning. **There is no need to do anything as your donations will be transferred automatically to the new platform.**

Deanery Quiet Day: at Birdsall House on Wednesday 8th October (10am to 3.30 pm). Tea & coffee provided; bring your own packed lunch. The day will be led by Bishop David Wilbourne and will be focusing on how to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. David is a renowned speaker and to book a place, email the Area Dean at: nicky.allison@outlook.com

Member of our congregation, Cathy Harrison and a friend of hers, are hosting a **MacMillan Coffee Morning** at Ter-rington Village Hall on Saturday 27th September. Start time 10.30 am until 12 noon. They are doing it as a thank you for all the support they have received to date on their cancer journey.

The Sunday morning Duty Rota for November 25 to February 26 is soon to be prepared. If you would like to join the rota team please contact Marg Rhodes as soon as possible, but no later than 22nd September. You can email her on: marg.rhodes@btinternet.com. We need more Assistant Duty Leaders, Sides-people, Intercessors (to lead prayers) and Coffee/Tea Assistants. Please don't hesitate to contact Marg if you feel you would like to contribute to this very important part of our worship.

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

Ryedale Community Foodbank update: they sent out 75 Summer Holiday Packs this year (last year it was 25) and are very grateful for our help. Now their focus is Harvest Festival dona-tions and the current shortages are: ce-reals, tinned fruit, tinned vegetables, tinned soup, tinned meat, tinned custard, tinned rice pudding, jars of jam (not home-made), tea, biscuits & microwave sponge puddings.

In addition, they spend a lot of money on toiletries and cleaning products, as few people donate these items. So, shower gel, shampoo and conditioner, deodor-ants, toothpaste and toothbrushes, ra-zors and shaving foam, washing up liquid, washing tablets/liquid, fabric conditioner & toilet cleaner are very welcome.

Services at St Mary's Priory
Today: Choral Matins at 11.15 am & Evensong at 6.30 pm.
Next Sunday: Choral Matins at 11.15 am.

If anyone would appreciate a home visit and/or home Communion, please contact Connie Clark. Details in Parish Address Book.

During the Vacancy, either leave a message on the church office 'phone (01653 692089) or contact Mike Rhodes or Heather Williams. Phone numbers in the Parish Address Book.



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.*

**14th
September
2025**

**Holy Cross
Day**

**Thirteenth
Sunday
after
Trinity**

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 in the passion of your blessed Son
made an instrument of painful death
to be for us the means of life and peace:
grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ
that we may gladly suffer for his sake;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Prayer after Communion

Faithful God,
whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree
and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death
until he comes:
give us grace to glory in the cross
of our Lord Jesus Christ,
for he is our salvation, our life and our hope,
who reigns as Lord, now and for ever.

Website: www.maltonbenefice.org.uk

A big thank you to Father Jeffrey for coming to lead our service today and welcome back to Alison & the choir.

During Communion, the choir will sing the Anthem  "God so loved the world" by John Stainer & Hymn 480. At the end of the service, Alison will play Postlude on "Guiting Power" by Paul Leddington Wright.
HYMNS: 398, 582, 172 & 150

BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK 26

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Bramble Walk, Greengage Close, Milton Avenue, Princess Court, The Mount and White Horse Close.

Another big thank you to Janet & her team for the last Sunday's Iona service. Records were broken when 29 people attended and appreciated the service on the theme of Celebrating the Wonder of Creation and also the tea and cake afterwards.

And another big thank you: to Connie & her team for running Tuesday Tea in the week. 15 people enjoyed refreshments & chat.

Yet another big thank you to Adrian, who has been busy in the week doing some more weeding at the front of church.

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

READINGS & DUTIES **Sunday 21st Sept at 10.45 am** **Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**

Readings	Proverbs 3. 13-18 2 Corinthians 4. 1-6 Matthew 9. 9-13
Duty Leader	Mike Rhodes
Assistant	Rosie Miller
Sides-person	Mark Davey
Readers	Rosie Miller Mike Rhodes
Intercessions	Alan Young
Chalice	Mike Rhodes
Coffee	Clare Firth Marg Rhodes
Flowers	Rosie Miller

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 most Wednesdays at 10.30 am in church.

NO Zoom next Sunday.

Also, the Malton 10k race and a Sunday market will be taking place next Sunday, so you will not be able to park at church.

Harvest Festival: our All-Age Harvest Thanksgiving service will be on Sunday 6th Oct, with a shared Brunch/Lunch afterwards. Donations of tinned/packet food will be blessed & later donated to the Ryedale Community Food Bank. See the box overleaf for suggested items.

Readings for Holy Cross Day

A reading from the book of Numbers

The Israelites set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the LORD sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and live.' So, Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live. Numbers 21. 4-9

A reading from Paul's letter to the Philippians

Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2. 6-11

Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to John

Jesus said to Nicodemus: 'No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.' John 3. 13-17