

**Money:** just as a reminder, our parish has a shortfall of about £700 each month, and Treasurer Rob asked if parishioners would review their giving, to help offset this monthly deficit. The easiest way to help is to give using the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), because it calculates the Gift Aid for us (if applicable) and returns the money to our account each month. You can access it on the web site: [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk).

Alternatively, you can talk to Rob privately, and he will sort it out for you.

**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](mailto:nicky.allison@outlook.com)

Member of our congregation, Cathy Harrison and a friend of hers, are hosting a **MacMillan Coffee Morning** at Terington Village Hall **next Saturday** morning (27th). 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.

**Navigate next Sunday at 5pm in church.** Aimed at teenagers, our youth discipleship group, (made up of young people from a variety of churches), meets to share friendship, faith and food. We play games, discuss big issues, read the Bible and generally just have fun. Meetings are on 4th Sunday of every month and everyone is welcome.

**Men's Breakfast** on Saturday 27th September from 8-9 am in church. The main objective is fellowship - a space for men to be together and build connections in church.

**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 donations and the current shortages are: cereals, 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, deodorants, toothpaste and toothbrushes, razors and shaving foam, washing up liquid, washing tablets/liquid, fabric conditioner & toilet cleaner are very welcome.

**Eco Church Day** Conference & Information Fair Saturday 4th October. 9am till 5pm at St Mark's Church, Coldyhill Lane, Scarborough. YO12 6SD. Various keynote speakers. See poster on porch noticeboard for details on how to book a place.

**Services at St Mary's Priory**  
**Today:** Choral Matins at 11.15 am

**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.



John Pearson 2005

## 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.*

**21st  
September  
2025**

### Welcome to our service today

We welcome to Communion all baptized Christians. Coffee will be served 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

O almighty God,  
whose blessed Son called Matthew the tax-collector  
to be an apostle and evangelist:  
give us grace to forsake the selfish pursuit of gain  
and the possessive love of riches  
that we may follow in the way  
of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Matthew,  
Apostle  
&  
Evangelist**

**Fourteenth  
Sunday  
after  
Trinity**

### Prayer after Communion

Lord God, the source of truth and love,  
keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching  
and fellowship,  
united in prayer and the breaking of bread,  
and one in joy and simplicity of heart,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

**A big thank you** to Canon Bob for coming to lead our service today.

During Communion, the choir will sing the Anthem "Lead me Lord" by S. S Wesley & the Hymn "Seek ye first". At the end of the service, Alison will play "La Rejouissance" from Handel's Music for the Royal Fireworks.

**HYMNS: 395, \*, 538 \***

### **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.

To help all those who need to complete **Safeguarding Training** but struggle with or don't have access to technology, Jenny Price, the Diocese of York Safeguarding Trainer, has agreed to spend a day in our Deanery to run free training sessions on 17<sup>th</sup> October at Terrington Village Hall. Jenny will be using the Village Hall WiFi and all the materials for the course will be displayed on a big screen and Jenny is a highly experienced and very engaging trainer.

Please be aware that numbers are limited so that everyone can get the most from the day. Drinks will be available but please bring your own lunch if you are staying for the whole day. You can attend one or both sessions - see the poster/invitation on the porch notice board.

### **READINGS & DUTIES**

**Sunday 28th Sept at 9.30 am**

**Patronal Festival: St Michael with Acting Archdeacon Liz**

Readings Genesis 28. 10-17  
Revelation 12. 7-12  
John 1. 47-51

Duty Leader Mike Rhodes  
Assistant Marg Rhodes  
Sides-person Sue Wright  
Readers Mark Davey

Sue Thackray  
Intercessions Marg Rhodes  
Chalice Mike Rhodes  
Coffee Sue Thackray

Joyce Birch  
Flowers Anne Bell

### **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** today & no parking next to church on account of the Malton 10k race and a Sunday market.

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

## **Readings for Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**

### **A reading from the book of Proverbs**

Happy are those who find wisdom, and those who get understanding, for her income is better than silver, and her revenue better than gold. She is more precious than jewels, and nothing you desire can compare with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honour. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her; those who hold her fast are called happy.  
Proverbs 3. 13-18

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

Since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth, we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God. And 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. 1-6

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

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

Matthew 9. 9-13