

and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.'

John 17. 1-11

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Adrian thanks everyone who went to the **Queen's Head meal** on Wednesday evening. He reports that a lovely meal was enjoyed by 18 people, including Canon Richard.

New recruits are always needed for the **Duty Rota**. If you think you could help, have a word with Marg Rhodes in person or by email on marg.rhodes@btinternet.com

Message from Alison: "A huge thank you to everyone for the surprise birthday card, present (Mozart chocolates, which I adore) and the full congregation and choir rendition of "Happy Birthday". I thought that only the choir knew about my birthday so I was quite overcome. Moments like this show that God brought me to the right place to serve him, and you all, through music."

Did anyone else notice that the first line of our Gospel reading last Sunday was: Jesus said to his disciples "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." and the Anthem the choir sang was "If you love me" by Tallis? Despite all the excitement of Alison's big birthday week, she still chose our music with infinite care and professionalism!

Next Men's Breakfast on Saturday 30th May at 8.30 am in church. Drop in for a free coffee & sausage sandwich.

Christian Aid Week  ended yesterday. There's still time to donate online. <https://www.christianaid.org.uk/>

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Usual Rest Day is Friday.

Following the success of our Easter Messy Church, we have another planned for May half-term. Messy Church at Pentecost will be happening on Thursday 28th May from 11-1pm.



We would be delighted to have more members of the congregation join us to sit at activities and chat to families. Everything will be prepared for you. If you can help please let me know. Many thanks, Sue Thackray

Another big thank you to Heather, who is working on the next Coffee Stop Rota, and also to the ladies & gents who responded with such alacrity with their offers of help.

The Chanticleer Singers will be singing Evensong at York Minster on Monday 1st June at 5.30 pm. Entry is free, if you are attending the service.

Items for Weekly Sheet to:
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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 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 God the King of glory,
you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Prayer after Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**17th
May
2026**

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**Seventh
Sunday
of
Easter**

Website: www.maltonbenefice.org.uk

A big thank you to everyone who stayed on last Sunday for the Annual Meeting. There were 42 of us in total, which is a very good turnout. Thank you also to Treasurer Rob for delivering his Financial Statement and for taking questions.

During Communion, the choir will sing the Anthem “Cantate Domino” by Ottavio Pitoni & Hymn 172. At the end of the service, Alison will play “Crown Imperial” by William Walton.
HYMNS: 398, 401, 311 & 166



BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK 4

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Bridge Road, Castle Howard Road, Hospital Road, Peasey Hills Road, Railway Street and Wells Lane.

We were saddened to learn that another long-standing member of our congregation has passed away. **Elsie Peace** died in Bridlington on Saturday 9th May and her funeral will be at Octon Crematorium on Monday 1st June at 10.30 am. All welcome.

A Requiem Mass for Elsie will be held at St Michael’s on a date to be confirmed.
 RIP Elsie

And another big thank you: to Sue & her team for running Tuesday Tea in the week. 21 people attended and many stayed for Evening Prayer. Special shout-out to the washers up.

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

READINGS & DUTIES
Sunday 24th May at 9.30 am
Pentecost

- Readings Acts 2. 1-21
 I Corinth. 12. 3b-13
 John 20. 19-23
- Duty Leader Rob Hall
- Assistant Rosie Miller
- Sidesperson Joyce Birch
- Readers Heather Williams
 Sue Thackray
- Intercessions Rob Hall
- Chalice Sue Wright
 Mike Rhodes
- Coffee Sue Wright
 Sue Thackray
- Flowers Joan Suggett

Sunday 31st May is a fifth Sunday of the month and, therefore, a Joint Benefice affair. It is the turn of St Mary’s to host and the start time is 10.45 am.

SERVICES

Parish Communion on Sundays at 9.30 am, 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 first Sunday in each month is a Family Communion service.

Evening Prayer: a short, said service of Evening Prayer on Tuesdays at 3.45 pm.

Holy Communion on most Wednesdays at 10.30 am in church.

Readings for the Seventh Sunday of Easter

A reading from the book of the Acts of the Apostles

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, ‘Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?’ He replied, ‘It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.’ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up towards heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, ‘Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up towards heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.’ Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers. Acts 1. 6-14

A reading from the first letter of Peter

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice in so far as you are sharing Christ’s sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters throughout the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen. I Peter 4. 12-14

Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to John

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, ‘Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed. ‘I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you;