

spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

Mark 7. 24-37

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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.

Sunday morning Duty Rota – November 2024 to February 2025

Our church services could not operate without the participation of members of the congregation and more volunteers are needed for the roles of Assistant Duty Leader, Sidesperson, Intercessor and Tea/coffee duty. If you feel able to help please email Marg Rhodes on marg.rhodes@btinternet.com."

Confirmation: if anyone is interested in being confirmed or would like to find out more about confirmation, please speak to Rachel Watson, Andrew Watson or Connie Clark. They are hoping to start confirmation classes in January.

Update from Ryedale Foodbank: now the school holidays are coming to an end, this is the latest shortages list: UHT juice, sponge puddings, jam, coffee, sweets, packets of chocolate biscuits eg. Kit Kats, Penguins, Club biscuits, fruit squash, toothpaste, tinned potatoes, tinned soup & Cuppa-soups.

Deanery Training Opportunities: do you lead Intercessions, or would you like to do so? Then sign up for the **Leading Intercessions in Worship** session on Tuesday 22nd October in St Michael's at 7pm.

If you administer the chalice or set up the altar ready for Holy Communion then the session on **Eucharistic Ministry** is for you. This session runs on Tuesday 29th October at 7pm and also at St Michael's. To book your place for either session, email Sue Teal on sue.teal@hotmail.co.uk

Both sessions will be run by Canon Bill Ankers and a third session on leading worship is in the pipeline. Earlier sessions already fully booked so don't delay!

During the Vacancy, either leave a message on the church office 'phone (01653 692089) or contact Mike Rhodes (01653 531339 between 9am and 5pm) or speak to Heather Williams. All contact details in the church address book.

Sunday Reflection: every week, the Diocese of York offers a new reflection and prayer resource on: vimeo.com/dioceseofyork
This Sunday, The Rev Dr Jenny Wright, Chaplain to the Archbishop of York, reflects on our NT reading.



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.*

**8th
September
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

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Prayer after Communion

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Fifteenth
Sunday
after
Trinity**

Website: www.maltonbenefice.org.uk

A big thank you to Revd Canon Simon for stepping in to lead our service today & we send our best wishes to Canon Bob for a full and speedy recovery.

During Communion, Alison will play Chorale Prelude on “Down Ampney” by Herbert Sumsion. At the end of the service, she will play Tuba Tune by C. S. Lang.
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BENEFACT PRAYERS WEEK 5

Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Borough Mere Lane, Castlegate, Lowfield Road, Pickering Road, Riccal Drive and Wentworth Mews.

Next Tuesday Tea on 10th September at 2.15 pm.

Looking ahead: there will be no service at St Michael’s on Sunday 29th September. Instead, a Joint Benefice service will take place at St Mary’s Priory Church in Old Malton. Start time 11.15 am and led by Revd Veronica James.

Harvest Festival on Sunday 6th October, which coincides with the Harvest Food Festival in town and means no parking in the Market Place. If you are bringing items for the service, or the Food Bank, smaller, lighter items are recommended. Alternatively, leave them in the old choir vestry in the days beforehand.

Extended Coffee Stop on Sat 5th October and Heather will be looking for volunteers to help on the day and for offers to bake cakes. All funds raised from this Coffee Stop will be for church.

READINGS & DUTIES

Sunday 15th Sept at 10.45 am & a Service of the Word.

Readings Isaiah 50. 4-9a
James 3. 1-12
Mark 8. 27-38

Duty Leader Sam Free
Assistant Elaine Ramsey
Sidesperson Tracey Young
Readers Helen Shaw
Alan Young

Intercessions Sarah Barry
Coffee Claire Firth
Alison Forster

Flowers Pat Oxley

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.

Another Thank you to Janet and her team for organizing last Sunday’s Iona-style service.

NB: the Malton 10k race is taking place next Sunday and you are unlikely to be able to park in the Market Place.

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

Readings for the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, ‘Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.’ Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water. Isaiah 35. 4-7a

A reading from the letter of James

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, ‘Have a seat here, please,’ while to the one who is poor you say, ‘Stand there,’ or, ‘Sit at my feet,’ have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,’ and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. James 2. 1-10

Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to Mark

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, ‘Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.’ But she answered him, ‘Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.’ Then he said to her, ‘For saying that, you may go – the demon has left your daughter.’ So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, ‘Ephphatha,’ that is, ‘Be opened.’ And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he