

Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.' When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So, they signalled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' or he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed Jesus. Luke 5. 1-11



# 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.*

**9th  
February  
2025**

## 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

O God,  
you know us to be set  
in the midst of so many and great dangers,  
that by reason of the frailty of our nature  
we cannot always stand upright:  
grant to us such strength and protection  
as may support us in all dangers  
and carry us through all temptations;  
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

Go before us, Lord, in all we do  
with your most gracious favour,  
and guide us with your continual help,  
that in all our works  
begun, continued and ended in you,  
we may glorify your holy name,  
and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**The Collection Plate** will be passed around during the Offertory Hymn. If you don't have any cash on you, there is an electronic giving terminal at the back of church.

**Lent resources** from the CofE available at: [www.churchofengland.org/living-hope](http://www.churchofengland.org/living-hope)

**Prayer Partners** is being offered during Lent and forms will be available in church each Sunday prior. If you would like to take part, please take a form, fill in your details and place it in one of the plain, un-marked envelopes provided, and put it in the box at the back of church. On or before 2<sup>nd</sup> March, take an envelope from the box and then pray for the person named throughout Lent. If you pick out your own form please let me know and I will swap it for you. You may like to bring a small gift for the person you have been praying for to a service at Easter or soon afterwards. Trish Atkinson



**Thank you** to every one who has donated Crème Eggs. You will soon be able to buy one back again, complete with a very cute knitted cozy. All in aid of church funds. Sue

Calling all pancake lovers, young and old, you are warmly invited to **St Michael's Pancake Party** on Shrove Tuesday, March 4th. Drop into church any time between 5 and 7pm. There will be piles of pancakes, toppings, refreshments & fun for the children too!



If anyone would appreciate a home visit and/or home Communion, then please contact Connie Clark. Details in the parish address book.

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

**Racial  
Justice  
Sunday**

**Fourth  
Sunday  
before  
Lent**

**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 parish address book.

**A big thank you** to the Revd Ron Smith for coming to lead our service today.

During Communion, the choir will sing the Anthem "Let all mortal flesh keep silence" & Hymn 392. At the end of the service, Alison will play Postlude Cantique by Theodore Dubois.  
**HYMNS: 627, \*, 311 & 612**



**BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK 24**  
Please pray for those who live or work in these roads: Appletree Way, Greengate, Lime Tree Avenue, Pinfold Garth, Tara Park and Harvest Drive.

**Another big thank you** to Janet and her team for last Sunday's Iona-style service. 25 people attended this time and appreciated the Candlemas theme, along with the tea and cake afterwards.

**Ryedale Community Food Bank** is still trying to build up their stocks of basics again after feeding 430 people in December. The February shortages are: tinned tuna, UHT juice, tinned rice pudding, cereals and porridge, Fray Bentos tinned pies, tinned hot dogs, tinned tomatoes, microwave sponge puddings, tea, coffee & microwave packets of rice.

**Sunday Reflection:** every week, the Diocese of York offers a new reflection and prayer resource on: [vimeo.com/dioceseofyork](http://vimeo.com/dioceseofyork)  
This Sunday, The Ven Andy Broom, Archdeacon of the East Riding reflects on our Gospel reading.

**READINGS & DUTIES**  
**Sunday 16th Feb at 10.45 am**  
Readings Jeremiah 17. 5-10  
1 Corinth 15. 12-20  
Luke 6. 17-26  
Duty Leader Trish Atkinson  
Assistant Andrew Nicholson  
Sidesperson Marg Rhodes  
Readers Mike Rhodes  
Sarah Barry  
Intercessions Alan Young  
Chalice Trish Atkinson  
Coffee Clare Firth  
Joyce Birch  
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.

**Reminder:** next Sunday's service starts at 10.45am, with Rise & Shine at 9.30 am.

**Tuesday Tea** this coming week and we invite you to join us for a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of cake, from 2.15 to 4pm. Time for a relaxing catch-up with friends.

Items for Weekly Sheet to:  
[helen.shaw59@btinternet.com](mailto:helen.shaw59@btinternet.com)

## Readings for the fourth Sunday before Lent

### A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!' Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!' And he said, 'Go and say to this people: "Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand." Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed.' Then I said, 'How long, O Lord?' And he said: 'Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land. Even if a tenth part remains in it, it will be burned again, like a terebinth or an oak whose stump remains standing when it is felled.' The holy seed is its stump. Isaiah 6. 1-13

### A reading from Pauls' first letter to the Corinthians

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you – unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them – though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

I Corinthians 15. 1-11

### Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to Luke

While Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore.