

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.

The PCC is responsible for the overall wellbeing, practical as well as spiritual, of their church, the church members, and the church buildings. Would you like to get involved and help with this important work? The PCC meets seven times a year on the second Tuesday of the month in alternate months at 7.15 pm and the December meeting is a social event. Feel free to talk to the Wardens if this is of interest. Nomination forms would have to be submitted before the APCM on Sunday 18th May.

Revd Glyn will be installed as Rector of Brayton benefice at St. Wilfrid's church, Brayton, Selby on Monday 31st March 2025, at 7.30pm. All welcome but, if you intend to go, please let Helen Shaw know asap. We have been asked to advise on the number of people likely to attend.

Sunday Reflection: every week, the Diocese of York offers a new reflection and prayer resource on: vimeo.com/dioceseforyork
This Sunday, the Archbishop himself reflects on our Gospel reading.

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

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

The Way of the Cross: a service with music, hymns and readings to mark Passiontide. The music will be by Purcell, Bach, Mozart, Stainer and Faure, with plainsong and a selection of congregational hymns. You are warmly invited to attend this very special service on Sunday 6th April at 6.30pm. There will be no Iona-style service on this first Sunday of the month.



Thursday 20th March
in the church calendar we remember **Saint Cuthbert** on this day. Born in 634 AD and died 20th March 687. Latterly Bishop of Lindisfarne.

We are obliged to produce a completely new **Electoral Roll** this year. An email about this was sent out to everyone on the Weekly Sheet mailing list last week. If you are not on this mailing list, but can fill out the form electronically, please ask Helen Shaw for the email. Otherwise, Electoral Roll forms will be available during services and at the back of church for the next 8 weeks. Please return to a Sidesperson or Church Warden to ensure your name is on the Electoral Roll.

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.*

**16th
March
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

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Prayer after Communion

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Second
Sunday
of
Lent**

Website: 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 “Ave Verum Corpus” by W. A. Mozart. At the end of the service, Alison will play Fantasia in C Minor by J. S. Bach.



HYMNS: 557, 428, 96, 496

BENEFICE PRAYERS WEEK 3

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

And another big thank you: to Connie and the team for running Tuesday Tea in the week. 19 people, including 6 visitors, enjoyed refreshments and chat. Quite possibly a record attendance for Tuesday Tea.

Howard Fox’s funeral will be at St Michael’s church on Friday 28th March at 11 am.

Navigate next Sunday at 5pm in church. Aimed at teenagers, our youth discipleship group, which is 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.

READINGS & DUTIES

Sunday 23rd March at 9.30 am

Readings Isaiah 55. 1-9
I Corinth 10. 1-13
Luke 13. 1-9

Duty Leader Rob Hall
Assistant Sue Wright
Sidesperson Elaine Matthews
Readers Cathy Harrison
Andrew Nicholson

Intercessions Rob Hall
Chalice Sue Wright
Coffee Elaine Ramsey
Alison Forster

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.

Lego church next Sunday-for those aged 3 years & upwards to explore Bible stories. Held in the Lady Chapel during Parish Communion.

Zoom: it will not be possible to broadcast the service on Zoom next Sunday 23rd March.

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

Readings for the second Sunday of Lent

A reading from the book of Genesis

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, ‘Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.’ But Abram said, ‘O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?’ And Abram said, ‘You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.’ But the word of the LORD came to him, ‘This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.’ He brought him outside and said, ‘Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.’ Then he said to him, ‘So shall your descendants be.’ And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness. Then he said to him, ‘I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.’ But he said, ‘O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?’ He said to him, ‘Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.’ He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away. As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him. When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, ‘To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.’

Genesis 15. 1-12; 17-18

A reading from Paul’s letter to the Philippians

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Philippians 3. 17-4.1

Hear the Gospel of our Lord, according to Luke

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, ‘Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.’ He said to them, ‘Go and tell that fox for me, “Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem.” Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, “Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.”’

Luke 13. 31-35