

Notices

The Friends of Beetham Church

For many years the Friends (the fundraising arm of the Beetham Church Heritage Trust) have been organising major church events (Duck Day, the Christmas Hamper Draw, Harvest Supper, Shrove Tuesday Supper etc.). Membership has fallen in recent years and it would be good to increase our number. Membership costs £10 per annum (Life Membership £100) and has been an important regular source of income. All money raised, from subscriptions or events, goes either to the Beetham Church Heritage Trust (for the maintenance of the fabric of the building) or directly to the PCC (for funding general and/or specific projects). Application forms will be available at the back of church and can be returned to any member of the Friends' Committee.

Fairtrade Church - St Michael and All Angels has now been registered and awarded the status of a 'Fairtrade place of worship'. This means that we will be using Fairtrade goods when serving refreshments and seeking to promote Fairtrade wherever possible. At its heart, Fairtrade is about better prices, safe working conditions, local sustainability, and fair terms of trade for farmers and workers across the world - a good encouragement for us all to consider buying Fairtrade products whenever and wherever we can.

Gaza Humanitarian Appeal - The British Red Cross has launched an appeal for those suffering so catastrophically in Gaza. If you might be moved to donate to this appeal, please visit the Red Cross website (www.redcross.org.uk).

Boiler Update - The new boiler is now installed and working! We look forward to benefiting from the improvement in our heating system during the coming months. Thank you to everyone who has worked to ensure the success of this project.

Helping at School - As we look ahead to the new academic year, our school is looking for volunteers to lend a hand in school (particularly through listening to children reading). If you think you might be able to do this, and offer some time to support the school in this way, please do have a word with Andrew. It would be very much appreciated.

Foundation Governor Vacancy - It is very heartening to report that someone has come forward with an interest to serve as a Foundation Governor. Following their appointment by the Board of Education, we will be back up to a full complement of Foundation Governors representing the school's Christian foundation and supporting the ongoing life of Beetham School.

Weekly Parish e-mail - If you normally receive the weekly parish e-mail that Andrew sends out on a Saturday evening but haven't received it either recently (or a little while ago) please do let Andrew know. He has become aware of some circulation problems with the e-mail, so please do e-mail him if you would like a copy of the e-mail but haven't been receiving it.

Contact Details for the Pewsheet

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Church website: www.beethamstmichaelandallangels.co.uk

KEMC website:

www.kentestuarymissioncommunity.com



THE CHURCH OF BEETHAM ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS



Sunday 31st August 2025
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Today - We are delighted to welcome Rev'd Geoff Turner as our Celebrant and Preacher this morning on the 11th Sunday after Trinity. Andrew is enjoying his well-earned break.

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES & EVENTS

Sun	31st	Eleventh Sunday after Trinity	9.30 am 11.00 am 12.15 ish 6.00 pm	Choir Practice Parish Eucharist Coffee etc Evensong
Mon	1st		7.00 pm	Tower Bell practice tbc
Tue	2nd		10.30 am	Parish Coffee Morning
Wed	3rd	Start of Term, Beetham C of E School	10.30 am	Holy Communion, BCP I
Thu	4th			
Fri	5th			
Sat	6th		10.30 am	Community Band tbc
Sun	7th	Twelfth Sunday after Trinity	9.30 am 11.00 am 12.15 pm 6.00 pm	Choir Practice Parish Eucharist Coffee etc Evensong

Holy Communion - Wednesday morning at 10.30 am

Parish Coffee Morning - Tuesday morning at 10.30 am.

Book of Remembrance - Has been updated and is now returned to its case in the nave for display and as a prompt for prayer in remembering those whom we love but see no longer.

Parish Safeguarding

Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Andrew Skinner, whose contact details are: beethamsafeguarding@gmail.com and 07362 593076.

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Eucharist Readings: Ecclesiasticus 10, v. 12 - 18 (*Not in Pew Bible*); Hebrews 13, v. 1 - 8, 15, 16 (Pg. 224 in the Pew Bible, N.T.)

Gospel: Luke 14, v. 1, 7 - 14, (Pg. 74 in the Pew Bible, N.T.)

Hymns: **636** (For the music of creation); **569** (The kingdom of God is justice and joy); **635** (For the healing of the nations); **87** (Thou who wast rich beyond all splendour); **394** (Tell out my soul)

Organ Voluntary: Passacaglia in G minor. *Handel*

Evensong Readings: Isaiah 33, v. 13 - 22; John 3, v. 22 - 36

Psalm: **119**, v. 81 - 96

Hymns: **538** (Gracious Lord, in adoration); **381** (God in his wisdom); **641** (Glorious things of thee are spoken, *omit v.3*)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

We do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord

Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.

Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

For your Prayers

Ray Hills. Luke Adams. Ann Leftley. Rosalie Woods. Shirley Grimshaw. Theresa Holden. Pat Barton. Phil Barber.

R.I.P.

Frank Clarke. John Dugdale.

<u>Rotas for Today</u>	
First Reading	John Townsend
Second Reading	Patricia Townsend
Intercessions	Susan Turner
Sidespeople/Offertory	Patricia & John Townsend
Refreshments	Dorothy & Andy MacLeod
Readers at Evensong	Dennis Wright

KEMC Choir

If you would like to be part (everyone is welcome) of the KEMC choir for the next 'Gathering' (joint service) on Sunday 14th September, the rehearsals will take place on Friday 12th September (6.00 - 7.00pm) and Sunday 14th September (9.15 - 10.15am) both here at St Michael and All Angels. If you might be interested in joining the choir for this occasion, please e-mail Geoff Field to let him know (music.field@outlook.com) and he'll be able to let you know about the music. Thank you very much.

The Bereavement Journey

The Mission Community are, once again, coming together to host another Bereavement Journey course in the autumn - remembering that the last three courses have been valued by many across the Kent Estuary. It offers a 'place to talk for anyone bereaved at any time', coming together for a time of discussion and reflection. The course will begin on Thursday 2nd October (between 1.00-3.00pm) meeting each week and concluding on Tuesday 13th November. Booking is necessary, so please contact Lesley (dianalesley@btinternet.com / 01524 951566) for more information. Please do share news about the course with those who might appreciate knowing about it.

Walsingham Pilgrimage

At end of September/beginning of October a pilgrimage (coordinated by some churches in the south of the Diocese) is being organised to the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham (in Norfolk). There are still leaflets and further information available at the back of church, or please do speak to Andrew.