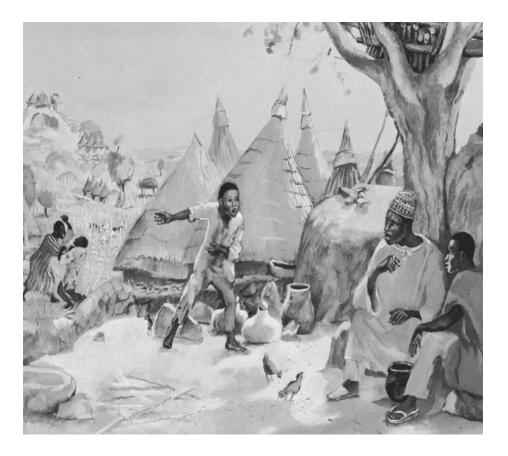
The Anglican Parish of St MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS



The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 17 September 2023

Dear friends,

Last weekend the team and I attended the Diocesan Synod. It was good to be in the presence of many colleagues and other lay people from around the Church. There was robust debate on many of the motions. In due time a synod report will be circulated. As a Parish we now look ahead to the rest of September. As mentioned, we will be celebrating our patronal festival The Feast of St Michael and All Angels on 29 September at 7pm. Father Peter Beck will be our preacher. The other notice in the service sheet this week is about the upcoming Leading your Church into Growth Conference. We are looking to put together a team of up to 6 people for this Conference which will take place at St Christopher's, Avonhead from Thursday evening on 12 October to Saturday 14 October. I will unfortunately be away but Deacon Simon Green will lead the St Michael's team. If this is something you would be interested in, please let Simon or I know.

This week's Gospel continues the theme of relationships in the church and the importance of forgiveness. Last Sunday Deacon Simon spoke about the inevitability of conflict in the church and how it should be dealt with. The Gospel reading for this Sunday expands on the principle of forgiveness in the Christian community. Through the parable of the unforgiving servant, we come to terms with the enormity of God's love and forgiveness towards us. The implication being that we are called to forgive and love as God does. Like many of Jesus' parables this is a challenging message. Join us this Sunday as we explore this theme together and most importantly as we gather for the Eucharistic feast.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Jordan

Father Jordan

If you would like a copy of the music for the mass setting and hymns please speak to one of the Sides People.

Parish Practices

- Mask wearing is optional. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use, and you are encouraged to use it - especially as you come to Communion.
- In greeting one another nearby at The Peace, please be conscious that some people may not wish to touch other people (even with a handshake).
- You may receive Communion in one kind only (Consecrated Bread). You may come up for a Blessing (hold your hands crossed across your chest, rather than held out to receive the Bread). You may receive in both kinds (Consecrated Bread and Wine, by drinking or intinction).

Online Services

Sunday

facebook.com/SMAAChristchurch 10.00 am Solemn Mass—this is a livestreamed service (pews in front of the sound desk are not filmed)

Health & Safety Regulations: In an emergency, use the closest exit and assemble in the drop-off zone. In an earthquake, drop down and shelter behind or under a pew, covering your head. Follow instructions.

From the Vicar...

Celebrant 8.00 am: Celebrant 10.00 am:	Fr Jordan Greatbatch Fr Jordan Greatbatch	Organ:	Paul Ellis
Mass Setting:	A Festive Eucharist		Noel Rawsthorne
Organ Voluntary:	Impromptu Opus 78/1		Samuel Taylor Coleridge

Introit Hymn:

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The God of Abraham praise Who reigns enthroned above, Ancient of everlasting days, And God of love: To him uplift your voice, At whose supreme command From earth we rise and seek the joys At his right hand.

There dwells the Lord our King, The Lord our Righteousness, Triumphant o'er the world and sin, The Prince of Peace: On Sion's sacred height His kingdom he maintains, And glorious with his saints in light For ever reigns. Before the great Three-One They all exulting stand, And tell the wonders he has done Throughout the land: The listening spheres attend, And swell the growing fame, And sing in songs which never end The wondrous name.

The God who reigns on high The great archangels sing, And 'Holy, holy, holy' cry 'Almighty King!' Who was, and is the same, And evermore shall be: Eternal Father, great I AM, We worship thee.'

The whole triumphant host Give thanks to God on high: 'Hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost' They ever cry: Hail, Abraham's God and mine! (I join the heavenly lays) All might and majesty are thine, And endless praise.

Greeting:

Grace and peace to you from God. God fill you with truth and joy.

The people may be welcomed informally and the Mass of the day introduced.

God has promised forgiveness to all who truly repent, turn to Christ in faith and are themselves forgiving. In silence we call to mind our sins.

Merciful God, we have sinned in what we have thought and said, in the wrong we have done, and in the good we have not done. We have sinned in ignorance: we have sinned in weakness: we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us, for our Saviour Christ's sake, and renew our lives to the glory of your name. Amen.

Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Christe, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison. Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: *(sit)* Genesis 50: 15–21 Gloria Moyle Realising that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones."

In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: 103

R. You are full of compassion and mercy: slow to anger and rich in kindness.

- 1. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, praise God's holy name. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that God has done for you. **R**.
- 2. The Lord forgives you all your sin and heals you of all your infirmities. The Lord saves your life from the grave and crowns you with love and mercy. **R**.
- You will not always be chiding, nor do you keep your anger for ever. You have not dealt with us according to our sins, nor punished us according to our wickedness.
 R.
- 4. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is your mercy over those who fear you. As far as the east is from the west, so far have you put away our sins from us. **R**.

Second Reading: (sit) Romans 14: 1–12

Therese Aitcheson

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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Gospel Acclamation: (stand)

Alleluia, alleluia. I give you a new commandment, says the Lord; love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Lord be with you The Lord bless you A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew Praise and Glory to God

Gospel:

Matthew 18: 21–35

Fr Peter Williams

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made.

So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt.

So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

This is the Gospel of Christ. Praise to Christ the Word.

Sermon: Fr Jordan Greatbatch

Affirmation of Faith:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection № of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Intercessions: Jenny Daniels

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen.

Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with you, blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. And also with you.

At the Peace all may exchange a non physical greeting with those near them.

E te whanau, we are the body of Christ. By one spirit we were baptised into one body. Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace: Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

Offertory: Gail Chiswell, Joy Coulter

The Preparation of the Gifts

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human hands have made. It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever**.

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity. **Amen.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become our spiritual drink. **Blessed be God for ever.** Alleluya, sing to Jesus, His the scepter, his the throne; Alleluya, his the triumph, His the victory alone: Hark the songs of peaceful Sion Thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of every nation, Hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluya, not as orphans Are we left in sorrow now; Alleluya, he is near us, Faith believes, nor questions how; Though the cloud from sight received him When the forty days were o'er, Shall our hearts forget his promise, 'I am with you evermore'? Alleluya, Bread of Angels, Thou on earth our food, our stay; Alleluya, here the sinful Flee to thee from day to day; Intercessor, Friend of sinners, Earth's Redeemer, plead for me, Where the songs of all the sinless Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluya, King eternal, Thee the Lord of lords we own; Alleluya, born of Mary, Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne: Thou within the veil hast entered, Robed in flesh, our great High Priest; Thou on earth both Priest and Victim In the Eucharistic Feast.

Pray, sisters and brothers, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty One.

May the Lord receive the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

Look with favour on our supplications, O Lord, and in your kindness accept these, our servants' offerings, that what each has offered to the honour of your name may serve the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here. Lift up your hearts. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

God's Spirit is with us. We lift them to the Lord. d. It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is right indeed, it is our joy and our salvation, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, at all times and in all places to give you thanks and praise through Christ your only Son.

You are the source of all life and goodness; through your eternal Word you have created all things from the beginning and formed us in your own image; male and female you created us.

When we sinned and turned away you called us back to yourself and gave your Son to share our human nature. By his death on the cross, he made the one perfect sacrifice for the sin of the world and freed us from the bondage of sin. You raised him to life triumphant over death; you exalted him in glory. In him you have made us a holy people by sending upon us your holy and lifegiving Spirit.

Therefore with the faithful who rest in him, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father. Send your Holy Spirit, that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

On the night before he died, your Son Jesus Christ took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me.

After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them, and said: Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Glory to you, Lord Christ: your death we show forth; your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await. Amen! Come, Lord Jesus.

Therefore, loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ, our great high priest. United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise:

Blessing, honour and glory be yours, here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen.

As Christ teaches us we pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Kua ākona nei tātou e tō tātou Ariki, ka īnoi tatou: E tō mātou Matua i te rangi Kia tapu tõu Ingoa. Kia tae mai tõu rangatiratanga. Kia meatia tau e pai ai, ki runga ki te whenua, kia rite anō ki tō te rangi. Hōmai ki a mātou ājanei he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā. Murua ō mātou hara, Me mātou hoki e muru nei i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou. Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia; Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino: Noŭ hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha, me te korōria, Āke ake ake. Āmine

Eucharistic Ministers: Margaret Maclagan, Jane Evans

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.

The chalice of blessing that we bless, is a communion in the Blood of Christ; and the bread that we break is a sharing in the Body of the Lord.

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. Happy are we who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

For Communion, leave your seat by the side aisle and come down the central aisle. You are encouraged to use the hand sanitizer.

Anthem:	Turn thy face from my sins		Thomas Attwood	
Communion Hymn:	Make me a channel of your peace			
Make me a channel of yo Where there is hatred, let me bring your love; where there is injury, your healing power, and where there's doubt, true faith in you.		O, Spirit, grant th so much to be co as to console, to be understoood as to understand to be loved as to with all my soul.	ł ,	
Make me a channel of your peace: where there's despair in life let me bring hope; Where there is darkness, only light, and where there's sadness, ever joy.		Make me a channel of your peace: it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life.		

Prayer after Communion:

May the working of this heavenly gift, O Lord, we pray, take possession of our minds and bodies, so that its effects, and not our own desires, may always prevail in us. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

Blessing:

May the God of justice and compassion fill your life with his goodness and love. May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, the Son, \mathbf{A} and the Holy Spirit, come upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen**.

The Mass is ended. Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace. Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Final Hymn: 64

Be thou my guardian and my guide,	And if I tempted am to sin,
And hear me when I call;	And outward things are strong,
Let not my slippery footsteps slide,	Do thou, O Lord, keep watch within,
And hold me lest I fall.	And save my soul from wrong.
The world, the flesh, and Satan dwell	Still let me ever watch and pray,
Around the path I tread;	And feel that I am frail;
O, save me from the snares of hell,	That if the tempter cross my way,
Thou guickener of the dead.	Yet he may not prevail.

Organ Voluntary:	Postlude in E minor

Healey Willan

7.00 pm

Choral Evensong and Benediction

UPCOMING The Feast of St Michael and All Angels Michaelmas

Friday 29 September 2023 Solemn Festival Mass at 7:00pm Followed by a shared supper in the Parish Lounge

> Upcoming Baptisms 10.00am Sunday 1 October 2023

> > Clement Wilson Black Robbie Moore Robert Bryce

Leading your Church into Growth Conference

We are looking to put together a team of up to 6 people for the upcoming **Leading your Church into Growth Conference** which will take place at St Christopher's, Avonhead from **Thursday evening on 12 October to Saturday 14 October**. This conference will offer tools and encouragement to lead our church into growth. If this is something you would be interested in, please talk to Father Jordan or send him an email.

THIS WEEK		NOTICES		
-	-	Parish Lounge. Cathey Rob	-	
		a favourite photo or recipe	•	
Contact: Barbara Mo	reton 021940890 or by	/moreton@xtra.co.nz		
Meditation Group—	Wednesday 12.00 noo	n in the church. Contact: T	herese Aitchison	
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Bible Study— Thurso	lay 11.00 am, Parish Lo	ounge.		
-	ursday 12.00 noon, in	-		
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NEXT WEEK	Twenty-Fifth Su	nday in Ordinary Time	24 September 2023	
8:00 am Mass	Celebrant: Fr Jordan	n Greatbatch Server: F	Robert Calvert	
10.00 am Mass	Celebrant: Fr Jordan	n Greatbatch		
	Preacher: Fr Jorda	n Greatbatch		
Servers:	SD: Rachel Watson	MC: Joshua Wilsor	Black	
	Th: Robert Calvert		ney	
	Ac: Thomas Visaka	n, Andrew Moorhouse		
First Reading:	Joshua Wilson Black	Jonah 3: 10-4:11		
Second Reading:	Rachel Watson	Philippians 1: 21-30)	
Gospel:	Deacon Simon Gree	n Matthew 20: 1-16		
	Rachel Watson, Pete			
Sides people: Intercessions:	Adrienne Curtis, Car Barbara Moreton	of Fraser		
Offertory:	Adrienne Curtis, Dor	othy Burrows		
Morning Tea:	Vince Moreton, San			
Sacristan:	Joshua Wilson Black			
Sacristy: Shirley Richards				
Livestream:	Jane Evans			
Flowers:	Ros Calvert			
Evensong Readers:	N/A			
Evensong Servers:	N/A			
The Sick:	Pleas	se pray for		
Alastair Scott, Rita Libeau, John Preston, Lois Peters, Denis Coulter, Betty Mechen, Suzanne Keys, Ghislaine Brewer-Quirke, Lesta Smithson, Peter Easterbrook.				
Sr Annette, Anne Fenton, Oscar Bisman, Fi-Bee, Kay Burgess, Magda Burney, David & Sandra, Philip Souter, Ongloon Yee, Deb Smith, Andrew Lawson, Anthony & Chrissie Coulter.				
Departed: Joyc	e McFerran			
Anniversaries: (Sun (Fri)) Pamela Dennis (Tues Colin MacDonald) Ian Reynolds - Priest (Thu	rs) Augusta Genet	
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	The Anglican Parish of St Michael and All Angels, Christchurch
This Sunday	Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am	Low Mass
10:00 am	Solemn Mass
7:00 pm	Evensong and Benediction
Monday	
12:35 pm	Mass
Tuesday	Theodore of Tarsus
10:30 am	Women's Fellowship meeting—Parish Lounge
12:35 pm	Mass
Wednesday	John Coleridge Patteson
12:00 pm	Meditation Group
12:35 pm	Mass
Thursday	St Matthew, Apostle
11:00 am	Bible Study
12:00 pm	Pray the Rosary
12:35 pm	Mass
Friday	Mass
12:35 pm	Mass Whole School Mass
2:00 pm	
5.30 pm	Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday	Churchill Julius, Bishop Kaithun and Byan Wodding
3:00 pm Next Sunday	Kaitlyn and Ryan Wedding Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am	Low Mass
10.00 am	Solemn Mass
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