

# St Michael & All Angels, Stokenham

11 am Holy Communion

## Worship Leader and Preacher Reverend Mark Neave

If you are joining us for the first time, please introduce yourself. You are very welcome!  
Please join us for tea/coffee after the service.

### THIS WEEK WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS

...The departed and those who mourn that they may be comforted and consoled...  
for those whose anniversaries we keep Hyacinth Bleasby (Holly), Elizabeth Jennings and Enid Jarvis.

Notices:

**'Teas by the Seas'** Every Sunday from 11 am to 4 pm and every Bank Holiday Monday from 11 am to 4 pm into September. Enjoy tea/coffee and cake at St Andrew's Church Beesands, helping to support many charities. If you can assist by baking cakes or serving, please contact Ann Foss 07970 702537.

Bible Study meets on the 2nd Monday of the month. The next Bible Study will be on 8th June 2026 2.30 pm in the Old Exchange. All are welcome.

We have a vacancy in our Parish Office for a part time administrator. Are you an effective communicator, organised with good computer skills ? Then you may be interested in this post. Part-time hours: 8 hours per week. Salary £13.45 per hour (Real Living Wage as of April 2026). Paid Holiday and pension.

For further information or to request an application pack, please contact Sue McKenzie, Churchwarden by email to [office@ssbparish.co.uk](mailto:office@ssbparish.co.uk). Closing date for receipt of applications is **9am Monday 15th June 2026**

Dates for your diary - further information to follow:

**Saturday, 20th June** - Art Exhibition 12pm - 4pm – Refreshments and raffle

**Friday - Sunday 3rd -5th July** Flower Festival in St Michael's Church - Refreshments

**Saturday, 11th July** 12 pm to 4 pm Stokenham Village Fete

### Forthcoming Services:

Wednesday 10th June	Holy Communion	St Michael's	10 am
Sunday 14th June	Holy Communion Evensong	St Michael's St Martin's	11 am 6 pm
Wednesday 17th June	Holy Communion	St Michael's	10 am
Sunday 21st June	Holy Communion Evening Prayer	St Martin's St Andrew's	11 am 5 pm
Wednesday 24th June	Holy Communion	St Michael's	10 am
Sunday 28th June	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Praise – Lay Led Village Service - Lay Led	St Michael's St Michael's St Martin's	8 am 11 am 11 am

# Sunday 7 June 2026 First Sunday after Trinity

## COLLECT

O God,  
the strength of all those who put their  
trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers  
and, because through the weakness of  
our mortal nature  
we can do no good thing without you,  
grant us the help of your grace,  
that in the keeping of your  
commandments  
we may please you both in will and  
deed;  
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.

## FIRST READING Hosea 5:15 – 6:6

*A reading from the book of the prophet Hosea.*

I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favour: Come, let us return to the Lord; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth. What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgement goes forth as the light. For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt-offerings.

Or **Genesis 12:1-9**

## PSALM Psalm 50:7-15

**R** *The Lord will show his salvation to the upright.*

Hear, O my people, and I will speak:  
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you;  
for I am God, your God.  
I do not accuse you because of your  
sacrifices;  
your offerings are always before me. **R**

I will take no bull-calf from your stalls,  
nor he-goats out of your pens;  
For the beasts of the forest are mine,

the herds in their thousands upon the  
hills.

I know every bird in the sky,  
and the creatures of the fields are in my  
sight. **R**

If I were hungry, I would not tell you,  
for the whole world is mine and all that  
is in it.

Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls,  
or drink the blood of goats?

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving  
and make good your vows to the Most  
High.

Call upon me in the day of trouble;  
I will deliver you and you shall honour  
me." **R**

## SECOND READING Romans 4.13-end

*A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.*

The promise that Abraham would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations") – Abraham believed in the presence of the God who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become "the father of many nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in God who raised Jesus our Lord from the

dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

## GOSPEL Matthew 9:9-13. 18-26

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?" But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners." While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute-players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, "Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district.

## POST COMMUNION

Eternal Father,  
we thank you for nourishing us  
with these heavenly gifts:  
may our communion strengthen us in  
faith,  
build us up in hope,  
and make us grow in love;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.