



## St Michael and All Angels. The Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity. September 24th 2017.

### Today's Service:

**Processional Hymn:** 105 Christ whose glory fills the skies

**Gradual Hymn:** 169 Father, hear the prayer we offer

**Offertory Hymn:** 627 Praise to the holiest in the height

**Final Hymn:** 442 Light's abode, celestial Salem

**Collect:** Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted the ministries of angels and mortals in a wonderful order: grant that as your holy angles always serve you in heaven, so, at your command, they may help and defend us on earth; 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 forever. Amen.

### First Reading: Revelation 12.7-12

7 War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, 8 but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. 9 The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world – he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. 10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming, 'Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Messiah, for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God. 11 But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they did not cling to life even in the

**Wednesday 27th September – 10.30am** Holy Communion.

**Next Sunday:** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017:

8am Eucharist (BCP.)

**11.15am Harvest Festival Service** followed by bring and share lunch.

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face of death. 12 Rejoice then, you heavens and those who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you with great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!

For the word of the Lord.

Response (ALL) **Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual Hymn:** 169 Father, hear the prayer we offer

### **GOSPEL: John 1.47-51**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Response (ALL): Glory to you, O Lord.

47 When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' 48 Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' 49 Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' 50 Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' 51 And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Response (ALL): **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Post Communion:** Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect; as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Please pray for:** Patrick Lowin, Olwin Bridges, Desmond and Renee Clifton, Trevor Newton, Joyce Davis and any who are unwell at this time.

### **Notices: Please take this sheet home with you.**

**Welcome:** A warm welcome and thanks to Bishop Tim Stevens who is going to be preaching to us today.

**Harvest Festival:** Next Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October is our Harvest Festival Service at **11.15am** followed by a 'Bring and Share' lunch. Everyone is welcome to join in this special occasion. Please use the sign-up sheet at the back of church to let us know who is coming and what food you are bringing. Thank you.

**The Silent Prayer Group:** You are welcome to join the Silent Prayer Group on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at Framlingham College Chapel. A simple breakfast will be served from 8.45am prayers are from 9.15 – 10.00am. Any enquiries to Rayleen Finn 01728 723322, [rayleenf@aol.com](mailto:rayleenf@aol.com)

**Tower Team Children's activities during the 9.30am service:** Deborah or Victoria will be very pleased if any children here today would like to come and join in some Sunday school activities in the Tower Room just before the sermon starts.

**FOSM plant sale:** There are lots of beautiful plants in the porch; they are for sale in aid of FOSM. Don't miss the opportunity to fill any gaps in your flower beds this autumn.

**Knit and Stitch:** The next meeting is at 2.30 on Friday 13th October in church. We will be making "Baubles" in any stitching or materials we like for our Christmas tree. If you have any suitable decorations or materials they would be very welcome. Plans for our stall at Christmas will be discussed - or, as usual, bring a project of your own, we like to get new ideas. Come for a chat or a cuppa even if you don't stitch, all welcome. Details: Geraldine

**The Healing Team:** Two members of the Healing Group will be in our Space For Grace after the 9.30 service today for anyone to share their concerns, doubts, fears or worries or to say thank you. It is done in complete confidence.

**Food Bank:** Donations for the church food bank bin are urgently needed. The food from our bin in church is taken to the Salvation Army in Woodbridge who are always in need of donations and even have to buy in food in order to have enough to go round. I know we are always being asked to give to good causes, but if you can keep popping something in our bin it would be much appreciated. Thank you. Sandy Rowles.