All Saints Children and Baptisms



If you are here for a Baptism service, the focus of attention will be on the person, child or adult, who is being baptised.

However, please don't worry if children in your group become restless or find their attention straying at times.

There are a number of ways to help children participate and make their experience (and yours) enjoyable.

- Please sit near the centre aisle of the church so that children can see what is happening at the front. When everyone moves to the font at the back of the church, follow along so that your child(ren) get a good view and feel part of the service.
- Colouring pictures, along with coloured pencils can be found at the back of church (ask a helper). You can bring paper and pens, or quiet toys, to your pew seat or supervise your child(ren) at the back of church during the 'less interesting' bits.
- If the Baptism is during the 9.30am service, your child(ren) are welcome to join our Young Saints children's group for activities in the Centre. They might be happy to come by themselves or you can stay with them for reassurance. We will tell you when it is time for the group to go to the Centre and someone will come to let you and the children know when it is time to return to watch the actual baptism. At the end of the service, children are usually invited to the front of the church to show the congregation what they have been doing in their group but only if they feel comfortable and wish to do so.
- If this is your child(ren)'s first visit to this church, they might be interested in the colourful windows and other features. Do let them explore before you leave – or you could give them a quiet tour of the windows if they need to move around during the service.

- When it comes to Holy Communion, you are very welcome to bring your child(ren) to the altar rail for a blessing. A steward will direct you, or you can choose to remain in your pew.
- Toilets are situated in the All Saints Centre, beside the church (a steward will be able to direct you).



Groups for children at All Saints

Young Saints - a worship group for children up to the age of 12yrs, held during Parish Communion at 9.30am unless the service is All Together or there is a later Faith @4pm Family Service

Faith@4pm - a worship group for children held the last Sunday of each month (no Young Saints that morning)

Little Saints - a toddler group for pre-school children and their carers held every Tuesday from 1.00 - 2.30pm during school term time

Royalz – a youth group for school years 3 - 6 every Tuesday 6.00 - 7.00pm during school term.

Uniformed Groups

Brownies	Monday	6.00 – 7.30pm
Guides	Monday	7.00 – 8.30pm
Beavers	Thursday	6.00 – 7.00pm
Cubs	Friday	6.00 – 7.30pm
Gosforth Sea Scouts	Friday	7.45 – 9.45pm

For further information about groups, see the All Saints website <u>www.allsaints-gosforth.co.uk</u>

or contact the All Saints office tel. 0191 2130450 during office hours 9.30am - 1.00pm

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