

All Saints Gosforth

'The Community of All Saints: living, thoughtful, caring faith'.

Sunday 23rd July 2023 7th Sunday of Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Communion
11.30am Holy Baptism
6.30pm Evening Prayer

For live and recorded services please visit http://allsaints-gosforth.org.uk/youtube

At St Hugh's

11.00am Holy Communion

Thought for Today

Those of you who are better gardeners than I am will be alert to the need to root out the weeds that might endanger your carefully planted flowers, like the servants in today's parable who were eager to root out any weeds among the crop of wheat as soon as they appeared. They must, then, have been puzzled by their master's instruction to leave the wheat and the weeds to grow together until the harvest before separating them.

Rushing into a hasty judgement is all too familiar a temptation to us but the parable reminds us that there are certain judgements that we are not competent to make and that God is patient, reluctant to root out the weeds because doing so would destroy the good crop too.

The appropriateness of this parable to our life as a church is clear when there are so many matters of dispute as the recent meeting of General Synod has no doubt highlighted. Rowan Williams has written wisely (as always) that:

"An impatience at all costs to clear the Lord's field of weeds that may appear among the shoots of true life"

will put at risk our effectiveness in communicating central truths on which most Christians are in agreement.

Ruth Birnie

The All Saints Mission Statement: Working together as a church we are pursuing a vision to put All Saints at the heart of the wider community. Our vision is to be a vibrant, inclusive, compassionate and outward looking church with a sensitive and thoughtful approach to faith, where there is excellent pastoral care and encouragement for all and where diversity is welcomed and our worship inspires us to transform the world.

Old Testament: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19
New Testament: Romans 8:12-25

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

8.00amHoly CommunionPresiding:Revd Ruth BirniePreaching:Revd Ruth Birnie

9.30am Parish Communion

Presiding: Revd Canon Andrew Shipton

Preaching: Revd Ruth Birnie

Processional: Green 408 Love divine all loves excelling

Gradual: Green 239 Lord of all hopefulness

Offertory: Green 431 O thou who camest from above

Communion: Booklet page 8 I am the light

Recessional: Booklet page 16 Nothing less than love has saved us

Anthem: Sanctus and Agnus Dei – Haydn

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Psalm: 67 **Hymns** 137, 239, 252

A warm welcome to you if you are a newcomer. Please complete a green Contact Card and place it in the box provided, or hand it to one of the clergy or churchwardens.

Children and Young People: Children and young people are always welcome at our services. On the second Sunday of each month we hold an "All Together" service at 9:30 which is slightly less formal and includes greater involvement by the congregation. In addition on the last Sunday of each month there is a Faith @4 event in the All Saints Centre that includes craft and refreshments. At the back of church is an area that hosts activities that can be used when in Church.

Have you problems with mobility? Please let a steward know if you need assistance going up for communion, or would like communion to be brought to you.

Hard of hearing? If you use a hearing aid, please switch it to the 'T' position to use our loop system.

To gain access to the All Saints YouTube channel please go to: allsaints-gosforth.org.uk/youtube

Notices

We welcome Albie George Duggan and Hector Jack Norman Johnson for Holy Baptism today at 11.30am.

Open Gardens Pam Taylor has agreed to open her beautiful garden on Sunday 6th August from 2.30 – 5.00pm. Come and enjoy. All are welcome.

Coffee and Conversation continues in the Centre over the summer on Mondays from 10.30 – 11.30am with the help the organisation Chain Reaction.

The Christian Meditation Group meet today Sunday 23rd July at 5.15pm in the Upper Room.#

The Thanksgiving Service for Bill Atkinson is on Friday 28th July at 1.30pm in church

Our next classical concert in Church is on Wednesday 26th July at 7.30pm. Mark Viner – piano. £10 admission on the door, under-18s free. See poster at the end of the newsletter for more details

Happy Birthday this week to Eva Hills (29th)

The PCC at its meeting on Monday launched a number of groups around priority areas These are:

Children and young people

Working with the Youth Forum to try and identify opportunities for welcoming young people in All Saints.

Communication

To consider a communication strategy for All Saints and coordinate and develop our current strands of communication so that we can present ourselves better to our community, in print and online. This will include looking at our current print and online communications, including social media, web, print newsletters and noticeboards, identifying weaknesses and gaps and thinking how we can improve what we do.

Fabric

Participating in the existing Fabric Committee to help with major repair projects (hopefully not too many after last year!), or space planning projects as the requirements for our buildings changes, eg to improve accessibility, increase revenue. Also to look at further planning for the green to make it more nature friendly and attractive.

Finance

To support the new treasurer as finances are reviewed, including the potential need to encourage new patterns of giving. If you feel able to help or are simply interested please do please contact Christine in the first instance.

Social and events

To help coordinate current activities and help develop new events. There is a need to coordinate existing volunteers and find new ones, so that help can readily be found for an event and activities can be shared more widely. We are not looking for experts, or expecting you to do all the work. Rather we are looking for people with an interest/ enthusiasm in these areas who will work with others, to help move All Saints forward.

Please be in touch with Churchwardens Nick and Christine for more information

All Saints Book Club 2.0 Thank you to all who attended our first meeting in June. After discussing various recommendations, we have decided on Claire Keegan's **Small Things Like These** as our next book. In 2022, the book won the <u>Orwell Prize</u> for Political Fiction, and was shortlisted for the Rathbones Folio Prize and the Booker Prize.

The summary reads: "It is 1985 in a small Irish town. During the weeks leading up to Christmas, Bill Furlong, a coal merchant and family man faces into his busiest season. Early one morning, while delivering an order to the local convent, Bill makes a discovery which forces him to confront both his past and the complicit silences of a town controlled by the church." It is only a short read, but comes highly recommended.

If you would like to join us to discuss this book, we are meeting on Thursday 27th July at 4pm in Cafe Nero on Gosforth High Street. All Welcome!

Our August book will be *Lily* by Rose Tremain. We will be meeting on Thursday 31st August at 4pm. Venue tbc but will be a coffee shop on the High Street.

Hope to see you there! Karoline Wellborne

Keeping in Touch To submit an article of no more than 400-500 words please email: intouch@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk or pass to: Christine Willoughby, Dermot Killingley, Lesley Atkinson or Ann Cross.

Food donations are now being taken to Kenton Foodbank. Their most needed items currently are tinned soup, tinned tomatoes, tinned fruit, biscuits and long life milk. Thank you to everyone who continues to bring donations and leave them at the back of the church.

From Saints to Saints: on Sunday 20th August City Guide Helen Langley will lead a walk from St Nicholas' church in South Gosforth to All Saints', providing us with lots of interesting information about the history of the area. The walk will start in the afternoon and take around two hours, finishing with refreshments at All Saints' Centre. More details coming shortly! *Helen Langley & Ann cross*

News from St Hugh's -

- Canon Syd Connolly is leading worship today.
- There is a service of Holy Baptism at 12 noon

Upcoming Events

Prayer and Worship

Sunday: Services at 8.00am, 9.30am and 6.30pm

Monday - Thursday: 8.45am Morning Prayer in Church. Enter by the South Porch.

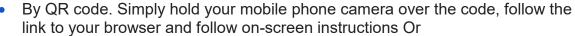
Tuesday's Holy Communion is at 10.15am in church

Today we will be featuring two movements from the "Missa Brevis Sancti Joannis de Deo" by Joseph Haydn in the morning Eucharist service. The choir, accompanied by a small chamber ensemble, will perform the Sanctus during the Eucharistic prayers and the Agnus Dei as a communion motet. This is somewhat of a musical experiment and it is my hope that these "larger" mass settings (there are many to choose from) will become a regular feature at All Saints. I'm hoping that these performances will provide an opportunity for the wider community to get involved; an ideal chance for instrumental students to broaden their musical horizons. *John Lewis*

The Handlebards present a rip-roaring, bicycle-powered production of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream.* Wednesday 9th August 7.00 – 9.00pm. Tickets £19.50, under 18 £12.50, under 10 free (only one free ticket per paid ticket). Click on this link for tickets https://www.handlebards.com/show/dream-all-saints-gosforth/

Donations

We now have a number of ways to donate to All Saints online:





Please note that cash on the plate goes to our Mission of the Month, money put into the yellow envelopes goes to pay for the work of All Saints. Thank you!

July Mission of the Month: Mission to Seafarers, which gives huge support to all seafarers around the world, especially those stranded in a strange country, and victims of piracy.



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Thank you, for looking at our news today.



FROM SAINTS..



...TO SAINTS!

SUNDAY 20TH AUGUST

JOIN US FOR A WALK STARTING AT 2.00 PM FROM ST NICHOLAS' CHURCH SOUTH GOSFORTH TO ALL SAINTS' CHURCH LINDEN ROAD, GOSFORTH CITY GUIDE HELEN LANGLEY WILL LEAD THE WALK AND PROVIDE US WITH LOTS OF INTERESTING INFORMATION ABOUT THE HISTORY OF THE AREA!



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7-9pm Wed 9th August on All Saints' Church Green Shakespeare – but maybe not as you know it...? A Midsummer Night's Dream performed by the 'I know a bank where the wild thyme blows...... Could it be All Saints' Green? comedy troupe Handlebards



Christine Willoughby, Nick Glover and Rosamund Place would be very happy to hear from anyone willing to help us run this community event on the Green.

Be the envy of Central Deanery as you pick up your steward's vest in a fetching pale

Exert authority checking tickets.

 Wander around the audience making them feel welcome and glad they turned up. Is it your opportunity to show off your hot signature vegetarian dish for 5?

·Could you serve drinks in the interval?

'The eye of man hath not heard, the ear of man hath not seen, man's hand is not able to taste, his tongue to conceive, nor his heart to report, what my dream was.....' ·No need to ride a bike – leave that to the thesps!

Thank you in advance! It's going to be a laugh! (Act 4 Scene 1, Bottom misquoting the Bible)

https://www.handlebards.com/show/dream-all-saints-gosforth/ Please tell others of this event, bring friends and a picnic! You can book tickets on the Handlebards' website on

Christine, Nick and Ros













a range of activities

All Saints – welcoming young people into the Church

As part of welcoming young people into Church, particularly during services we want to refresh the activities to be used by children during a service and need some help.

Could you make an activity bag?



Do you have some good quality (quiet) activities that would be appropriate for a young child to do during a service that would fit into the bags?

Suggested size: 450cm x 350cm

Please leave any donations in the children's play area at the back of Church.

We will be blessing the bags as part of our Harvest Festival service on 1st October 2023

For further information please contact felicity.shoesmith@icloud.com