



# All Saints Gosforth

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

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**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**Sunday Next before Lent**

8.00am

Holy Communion

9.30am

Parish Communion- All Together Service

6.30pm

Evening Prayer

*For live and recorded services please visit*

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**At St Hugh's**

11.00am

Parish Communion

God gives a  
**green** light to  
Jesus  
on the mountain

ALL TOGETHER  
at  
All Saints  
Sunday February 11  
09.30

## Thought for Today

The backdrop to the Transfiguration story is Jesus telling of his forthcoming suffering and death, which deeply unsettles his disciples. For eight days, tension lingers as they grapple with uncertainty and fear, perhaps even considering the urge to flee from the impending calamity. Questions may have swirled: Why persist on a path seemingly leading to disaster?

In this moment of uncertainty, Jesus takes Peter, James, and John on a retreat up a mountain, where they encounter a profound reassurance from God. They receive affirmation for the path Jesus is called to tread. It reassures them that despite the impending crisis, they are part of a greater narrative—one of divine love and redemption.

Today we are reminded that we too can be part of God's unfolding plan, where even in the darkest moments, there is the promise of light and transformation.

Andrew Shipton

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**Old Testament:** 2 Kings 2:1-12

**New Testament:**

**Gospel:** Mark 9:2-9

**8.00am Holy Communion**

Presiding: Revd Dr Miriam Jones

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**9.30am Parish Communion – All Together Service**

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Please follow the order of service on the separate sheet

**Anthem:** I heard the voice of Jesus – Shepherd

Please stay for tea and coffee after the 9.30am Parish Communion Service

**6.30pm Evening Prayer**

**Psalm:** 9 [99]      **Hymns:** 466, 339, 440

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### A Prayer for King Charles

Heavenly Father, whose love enfolds us with healing and hope, we pray for Charles our King as he faces the challenge of cancer. May your healing touch bring him quickly back to health and wholeness. Look with kindness on Queen Camilla and all the Royal Family at this testing time. Give wisdom, skill and compassion to those who are caring for the King. Father of mercies, grant to Charles our King, comfort and sure confidence in you, and keep him in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We pray this for all who we know also diagnosed and being treated for cancer.

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**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.

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**Children in Church.** Children are always very welcome in church, and there is a dedicated Children's Corner at the back with some quiet activities available for children to use there or to bring back to their pew.

On the second Sunday of each month we hold an 'All Together' service which is less formal and with plenty of opportunities for young people to take part. Please speak to the clergy or churchwardens for more details of these and of other activities for children and young people.

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**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.

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

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**To gain access to the All Saints YouTube channel please go to:** [allsaints-gosforth.org.uk/youtube](https://allsaints-gosforth.org.uk/youtube)

## 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

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## Upcoming Events

**The Christian Meditation Group** meet next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 5.15pm in the Upper Room.

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**Coffee and Conversation.** We look forward to seeing everyone for coffee and chat in the 'WARM' Centre at 10.30 - 11.30 am every Monday morning.

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**Little Saints Pre-School** Children and Parents Group 1.00 – 2.30pm in the All Saints Centre.

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## SING at the Centre

Please come and join us on **Tuesdays** at 3pm in the Upper Room. Now, we're focussing mainly on Gospel songs, particularly those that partner well.

*Thank you. Diana Lavín*

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**The next Mothers' Union** is tomorrow Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 2.00pm in the church centre. After a short service based on 'Love', Josephine Kulke will speak about St. Valentine. There'll be heart-shaped cake and chocolates, roses, tea, coffee and fellowship. All meetings are open to anyone so if you'd like to join us, just let Pam know by Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>.

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**Ash Wednesday** is on 14<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm. There will be a Eucharist with the imposition of ashes.

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**Farmers' Markets 2024** I am pleased to announce that we have a new licence for 2024. Can you help us vary our product selection? If you are visiting a Farmers' Market in the North East and you see a stall selling own quality products that you think would work for us here, please ask the owner for details/ forward a business card to either me or Marian Cave. Thank you! *Diana Lavín*

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## News from St Hugh's –

- Revd Dr Miriam Jones is leading worship today.
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## Notices

**Please can all** amendments to the newsletter be in by 11.00am on Thursday.

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**Work on installing** the new carpet in the church started last week in the Bell Tower. The fitters are scheduled to begin work inside the church on Thursday.

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**Our congratulations** and best wishes go to Mrs. Enid Green, who celebrated her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday last Thursday.

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**We were saddened** to learn of the death of Bishop David Smith, who served as the curate of All Saints from 1959 to 1962. We pray for Mary, his wife, and all the members of his family.

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**Keeping in Touch** the latest edition can be viewed online at <https://www.allsaints-gosforth.org.uk/27th-november-2023-keeping-in-touch/>. There are also copies at the back of church. To submit an article of no more than 400-500 words please email: [intouch@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk](mailto:intouch@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk) or pass to: Christine Willoughby, Dermot Killingley, Lesley Atkinson or Ann Cross.

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**If anyone fancies** having a go at painting, please feel free to join us in the Upstairs Room on Wednesdays from 2.00 – 4.00pm. We collect £3.00 each week to cover the cost of materials and a cuppa. We're a friendly group and would love to have you join us. *Gail Adcock* P.S. You don't need to be arty – colouring in is fine – that's what some people do!!



**This year, Lent** commences on Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> of February, with Holy Week beginning on Palm Sunday, the 24<sup>th</sup> of March, and Easter Sunday falling on the 31<sup>st</sup> of March.

During Lent, it's customary to engage in some form of self-denial or fasting, reflecting on the temptations faced by Jesus in the wilderness before starting his ministry. This period allows us to contemplate our own mistakes, weaknesses, and the need for forgiveness and God's love. Many also use this time for extra reading, thoughtful acts, and focusing on the needs of others, ultimately preparing ourselves for Easter.

At All Saints, there are numerous opportunities to participate in Lenten activities, and a leaflet detailing these is now available. For instance, the Lent Groups provide a deeper engagement with Lent, along with special addresses on Prayer held on Sunday evenings. Additionally, you're welcome to join us for peaceful reflection at the church on Tuesday mornings from 9:45 to 10:15am, followed by a service of Holy Communion. Every weekday morning, except Fridays, the clergy team lead morning prayers at 8:45 am, and you're warmly invited to join them.

Let's journey together through this season of reflection and preparation as we anticipate Easter. *Andrew Shipton*

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### **Sundays in Lent 15 minutes of Prayer at Evening Prayer 6.30pm**

Speakers are asked to share:

- One or two stories from their experiences of praying.
- Stories about a time when they were taught, or discovered, something about prayer, that they found meaningful.
- Times when praying has felt like a struggle or a disappointment
- How the ways that their praying has changed
- What helps them to pray in the ordinary times of life

17 <sup>th</sup> February	–	Revd Malcolm Railton
26 <sup>th</sup> February	–	Revd Canon Andrew Shipton
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	–	Deanery Evensong at St Columba's
10 <sup>th</sup> March	–	Revd Dr Miriam Jones
17 <sup>th</sup> March	–	Charles Foister

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### **Lent book**

This year our Lent groups will be using the book *Cover to Cover Lent Study Guide: The Prayers of Jesus*, by Amy Boucher Pye (ISBN 978-1-78951-250-2). You do not need to buy the book to take part in the Lent course, but some participants - or others who are interested! - may want to order their own copy for reading at home or bringing to the group. (Group leaders will be given a copy.) The book is available from several online retailers. Please be careful when ordering that you select the right book - another book with a very similar title is also on the market! Please see details about the Lent Groups at the back of church, meeting from 19<sup>th</sup> February. It is still possible to join a group.

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**Book Club Advance Notice:** February's book is *Shadowlands: A Journey through Lost Britain* by Matthew Green ***Drowned. Buried by sand. Decimated by plague. Plunged off a cliff. This is the forgotten history of Britain's lost cities, ghost towns and vanished villages: our shadowlands.***



Further Details to Follow. Meeting at Cafe Nero on 29<sup>th</sup> February at 4.00pm.

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**There is a leaflet** on the table at the back of church with an invitation from Richard Hill to anyone interested to join periodic online sessions of reflection run by the British Region of the International Ecumenical Fellowship.

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**We plan to send out a glossy Easter Card** to the homes of the Parish showing all the services and events happening at All Saints over Easter. Children aged 12 and under are invited to design the front picture for the card. The design should show what Easter means to the young person (i.e. you) and relate to the real meaning of Easter. Entry forms are at the back of church. **Entries should be in by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March.**

**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.

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**Mission of the Month for February** Tyneside Welcome, a local charity run by a small group of volunteers on Tyneside with no single political or faith-based affiliation. Their aim is to take on the responsibility for resettling Syrian refugee families on Tyneside through a Government approved Community Sponsorship scheme.

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## Donations

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

- By QR code. Simply hold your mobile phone camera over the code, follow the link to your browser and follow on-screen instructions Or
- go to <https://givealittle.co/campaigns/8ecfe5b6-18c7-4179-aba0-2ebc43a82f7b>



*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!*

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**Farmers' Market**  
**10am till 2pm**

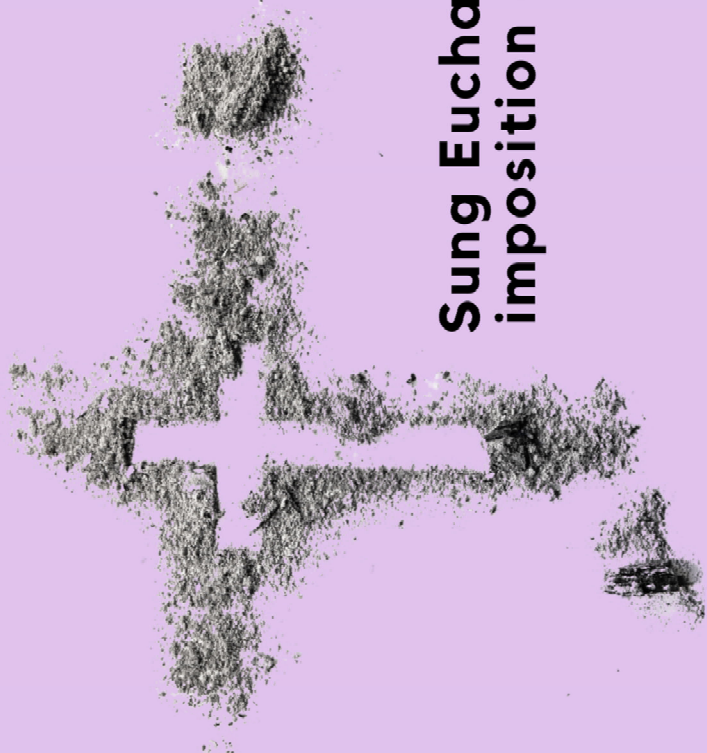
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*"Fresh & Local, That's Your Market!"*

**All Saints**  
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**Ash Wednesday**

**14th February 2024**  
**7.30pm**



**Sung Eucharist with  
imposition of ashes**

*All Saints Church, West Avenue, Gosforth, NE3 4ES*