



**Sunday 1st June 2025
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Volunteers Sunday**

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

At St Hugh's

11.00am	Parish Communion
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Thought for this week

All Saints Church, in its ministry and mission, is deeply dependent on goodwill and volunteers. We are profoundly grateful for those who give so much of themselves, often behind the scenes. Today, we remind ourselves of the vast number of opportunities available to serve here and beyond.

A few thoughts:

When we speak about volunteering - whether within the church or in the wider community - we are not merely thinking about completing tasks or filling an hour of time. In serving others, we are imitating the Lord and living out what He taught us in the most profound way possible.

Volunteering is an act of giving, a response to the grace we have received. As 1 Peter 4:10 reminds us: "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." That means our time, our skills, our story, our compassion - these are all gifts from God. In giving them, we share His grace and participate in His work.

A final thought: when we serve a cause greater than ourselves - when we step outside our comfort zones to help others - something happens not just around us, but within us. Volunteering stretches us. It grows our patience, deepens our compassion, and strengthens our faith. Strangely, in the giving, we discover joy - a deep and lasting joy. We find companionship with others and a renewed sense of purpose in our lives.

Volunteering is vital. There are countless opportunities to get involved and make a difference. Today, we affirm that every act of service matters. To all who serve: thank you. Every contribution brings hope and light into the world.

Andrew Shipton

Bible Readings and Hymns This Week:

New Testament: 1 Peter 4:7-11

Gospel: Matthew 20:25-28

Please follow the order of service on the separate sheet

Join us for tea and coffee after the 9.30am Parish Communion Service, in the All Saints Centre, adjacent to the Church.

Presiding this week:

8.00am Holy Communion

Presiding Revd Canon Andrew Shipton

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9.30am Parish Communion

Presiding Revd Dr Miriam Jones

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6.30am Evening Prayer

Psalm: 68 **Hymns:** 119, 296, 134

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 in Church. Children are always very welcome in church, and there is a dedicated Children's Corner at the back, with activities available for them to use there or take back to their pews.

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:

<https://www.youtube.com/@allsaintsgosforth6306/streams>

Prayer and Worship

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

Tuesday – Thursday: 8.45am Morning Prayer in Church. Enter by South Porch

Tuesday's Holy Communion is at 10.15am in Church

Volunteer week

Volunteer week is a national and annual event that takes place between 2-8 June. This year we wanted to use it as a time to say "Thank You" to everyone involved with All Saints, particularly people that volunteer. The 9:30 service on 1st June will include a specially written "Thank You" song and time to reflect on the numerous ways members of the congregation give their time to help with the running of All Saints and wider community. During the week there will also be an opportunity to "practice what we preach" with a number of volunteering events - please come along, everyone is welcome either for the full session or pop in to see what is going on.

We will continue the theme with special refreshments after the 9:30 service.

Opportunities to volunteer this week:

Monday 2 nd June	Coffee and Chat at 10.30am in the Centre	Come and help make the coffee, sit and chat or help with clearing away the tables
Tuesday 3 rd June	Little Saints at 1.00pm in the Centre	Help with refreshments, preparing the room or playing with the young people
Wednesday 4 th June	10-12 and 5-7pm Gardening group and helping to keep All Saints sparkling!	Help with gardening, cleaning the silver and other items used in our worship, deep clean of the kitchen
Thursday 5 th June	Choir at 6 til 7pm	Come along and join in, the choir rehearses on a Thursday and sings on as part of our worship on a Sunday

Notices

Donations towards a presentation for Miriam can be posted through the office letterbox or handed to a churchwarden on duty.

Eco group: The Eco group will be meeting at Parish Breakfast on 1st June to review the vision statement (thank you to everyone that has been in touch with suggestions on how the draft could be improved) and start work on an action plan. If you would like to find out more or would like to help to shape how we work together to deliver this vision please join us or speak to Ann Cross / Felicity Shoemith.

Our current draft vision statement is "All Saints and its congregation cares about all the resources on God's earth and collectively looks at ways of working together to protect our environment".

Sale of books: there will be a sale of secondhand books after the 9.30 service today, Sunday 1st June. Do bring unwanted books you think others may like to read! All proceeds to church funds. *The Book Group*

The **Fellowship Lunch** is today, **Sunday 1st June** at 12.00 in the Church Centre. If you would otherwise be dining alone, please do come and join us for a light lunch and some good company. You would be most welcome and we look forward to seeing you. *Pauline Gallacher*

SING at the Centre

June 03 - Following our micro-break, we'll be making final preparations for the upcoming 'Open Invitation Singalong' on **Jun 24**. Doors open from 2:45. The aim of the afternoon is to 'gather and get to know' over refreshments and then jog our memories via vocal reference to some songs from Musicals dating from the 1930s upwards. We all know more than we tend to think, you'd be surprised. In the process of preparation for this event we've sung songs from over 40 musicals – there could have been more, but we ran out of time! South Pacific, The Music Man, Oklahoma, Hair – what do you know? It'll all be in there. We're hoping for a good turnout whether people want to sing or just reminisce. If you know someone who might benefit from coming along, please encourage them or even better, come yourself! *The sun'll come out, tomorrow...* Thank you! *Diana Lavín*

Gardening Morning at Church. Wednesday 4th June 10 a.m. until 12 noon. Please come along and help to keep our gardens and grounds neat and tidy. There's lots to do, weeding, edging, sweeping up leaves and removing moss. Tools, tea and biscuits provided. Bring your own gardening gloves. Its fun working with others and its great exercise.

Men's Group: there will be a meeting on Wednesday 4th June at 7.30 pm in the Upper Room. The speaker will be Cecil Dick whom some of you may remember from his time as curate at All Saints'. He will talk about his work as a prison chaplain, which most of you will agree sounds a most interesting topic. All (men) welcome, do bring a guest if you wish. *Paul Cross*

As many of you heard at the Annual Meeting, we are urgently seeking a Treasurer to work with our finance team. Ideally, this person would have some familiarity with QuickBooks. Over the past week, I've approached numerous people outside our church community for assistance, but unfortunately without success. If you know someone - a relative, neighbour, or colleague - with accounting experience who might be willing to help us, I would be very pleased to speak with them. *Andrew*

Keeping in Touch. The Spring edition of the magazine is available at the back of the church. It can be also viewed online at <https://www.allsaints-gosforth.org.uk/keeping-in-touch-spring-2025-edition/>

To submit an article of no more than 400-500 words please email Dana.corso@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk.

Film Group 6th June Upper Room All Saints Centre, from 6.30pm if you are bringing food. Film at 7.15pm. "South Pacific" is a revering romantic Rodgers & Hammerstein musical from the late 1940's. Offering sheer escapism at that time while mixed with the drama of WWII and some hilarious American humour. The movie was made 10 years later. It does offer a chance to reflect on how far the world has come and to question whether it is better now or not.

The next MU meeting will be open to anyone who would like to hear Peter Brown telling us about his wonderful day at Durham Cathedral when he received the Maundy Money from King Charles. It will be on **Monday 9th June at 2.00pm** in the Church Centre. Everyone welcome, refreshments will be served.

St Nicholas Church, Gosforth are holding a night of great music in aid of Cancer Research UK on Friday 13th June at 7.00pm. Tickets are £5 and are available on the night at the door or online <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/after-evensong-jazz-blues-and-pop13-june-2025>

There is a 'Pray For Peace' Christians and Muslims Event- arranged by the Diocese of Newcastle and Hexham is on Saturday 14th June at 2.30pm. This is an event for women and children - men wishing to accompany their families are welcome. It will be in Mary's Chapel, situated towards the Jesmond Dene end of Reid Park Road. Readings about Mary from the Bible and the Qu'ran will be shared along with hymns and prayers for peace. Folding chairs are provided but you may wish to bring your own. Afterwards, vegetarian refreshments will be provided at Holy Name Roman Catholic Church Parish Hall, Towers Avenue.

Save the Date! A Farewell Bring & Share Brunch for Miriam Sun 29th June 10.40. Please bring items ready to serve for a Finger Buffet to All Saints Centre before the 9.30 service! *Please let the Social Events Group know what you'll be bringing and there are lists on yellow paper! Thank you!*

Save the date for a meal out in Gosforth! Pam Taylor has booked Basilico on Gosforth High Street for Friday 11th July, 6.00 pm. More details soon, but please let Pam know if you would like to come. *Social & Events Committee*

People's Theatre trip: please can I have all names by Tuesday 3rd June at the latest, as I have to confirm the booking on Thursday 5th. Thank you. The tickets will be £12.15 for over 65s, £14.40 if you're younger! Ann Cross anncross060@gmail.com

There will be a Confirmation Service on Sunday 16th November led by the Bishop of Berwick at All Saints. This is an opportunity to take faith to the next level and recommit your life to God through Confirmation. There will be a course concluding with the Confirmation Service. If this is of interest to you, please contact Andrew, Miriam or Ruth. A Candidate has already come forward.

All Saints has received a bronze award for the work we are doing supporting and caring for our environment, overseen by an "Eco" sub group of the PCC. As part of developing this work we have written a vision statement and would welcome any feedback - good, bad or how you think it could be improved!



"All Saints and its congregation cares about all the resources on God's earth and collectively looks at ways of working together to protect our environment".

Please send any comments / feedback to felicity.shoesmith@icloud.com

If you have ideas on things we could be doing to help meet this vision please join us on the first Sunday of each month at Parish Breakfast. Felicity Shoesmith / Ann Cross.

Mission of the Month for June Cornerstone Benwell

Cornerstone, Benwell, another worthwhile local project which continues to "include the excluded, empower the disempowered and encourage the discouraged".

Please visit their Facebook page for more information

www.facebook.com/cornerstonebenwell

News from St Hugh's – Revd Canon Andrew Shipton is leading worship today.

Weekly Small Group Events

Coffee and Conversation in the Centre Mondays from 10.30am – 11.30am in the All Saints Centre. Please come along and join our companionable group.

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

SING at the Centre

Tuesdays from 2:30 in the Upper Room for refreshments, to start at 2:50- 4.00. Thank you. Diana Lavin.

Sew, Knit and Natter. This friendly group of knitters, ranging from the totally inexperienced to the very skilled, meets each Wednesday morning from 10-12 in the upper room of the Centre. There is plenty of knitting and nattering, with coffee and biscuits always provided. All are welcome. If you would like to know any more about the group, do ring me on 07474040267, or you can just turn up and see what we do. Diane Henderson.

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>

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FILM CROUP

Friday 6th June
showing at 7.15pm
The Upper Room, (All Saints Centre)

This month's film is
South Pacific

Directed by Joshua Logan
Starring Rossano Brazzi, Mitzi Gaynor
and John Kerr

On a South Pacific island during World War II,
love blooms between a young nurse and a
secretive Frenchman who's being courted for a
dangerous military mission.

All welcome, do bring a friend.

Entrance is free, but a donation
(suggested £1.00) is invited towards costs.

TUESDAY JUNE 24



SINGALONG A MUSICAL MEMORY REFLECTION EVENT

**THE CENTRE AT ALL
SAINTS**

**DOORS OPEN 2:45
REFRESHMENTS**



THANK YOU

Dear Friends,

In National Volunteers' Week we celebrate those who volunteer in many ways – in church, the community, or further afield. We're saying a great big 'thank you' to all your acts of kindness that make the world a better place.

Come to our
Family Communionst
service, Sunday 1st
June, 9.30am

All Saints Church, West Ave, Gosforth

post @ allsaints-gosforth.org.uk





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Saturday 16th August 2025 6.00 – 8.00pm



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