

Sunday 19th October 2025 18th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion9.30am Parish Communion6.30pm Evening Prayer

St Hugh's

11.00am Parish Communion

Thought for the Week

Lord, teach us to pray

Probably most parishioners of All Saints have no experience of being denied justice? If so, we are among the world's lucky ones. According to Google, about 2 billion people in the world have access to a fair system of justice, and 5 billion do not. For a short while, many years ago, I lived in the Congo, where justice was at the whim of the local *Commissaire de Zone* or *Commandant*. Woe to you if you displeased them! Our small group of European expats could get away with not bribing the soldiers, if we were patient enough. But it was much harder for the locals. But in today's parable it is the poor widow who triumphs, daring to approach the unjust judge again and again, because in her destitution she has nothing to lose anyway. Behold the humility of God who is saying to us: "You think I don't care? So tell me so! Keep battering on my door with everything you've got! (Only thus will you learn my true nature.)" The alternative is despair. And we really must ask ourselves if in our hearts we despaired of God and humanity long ago. The parable is a call to return to demanding prayer, in which we do not give up praying in specific terms for the coming of God's Kingdom. What if our idea of the Kingdom is not quite right? It could be seriously flawed. But we will only learn if we persevere in asking, seeking, and knocking.

Adam Romanis

Bible Readings and Hymns This Week:

Old Testament: Genesis 32:22-31 New Testament: 2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Hymns

Processional Green 333 All my hope on God is founded **Gradual** Green 348 Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire

Offertory Brown 163 Lord, for the year

Communion Booklet page 11 Here is bread, here is wine **Recessional** Green 437 Praise to the Lord, the almighty

Anthem: Draw Nigh and Take - Gibbons

Please 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 Preaching Revd Canon Andrew Shipton

9.30am Parish Communion

Presiding Revd Ruth Birnie

Preaching Revd Adam Romanis

6.30pm Evening Prayer

Psalm: [146]; 149 Hymns: 334, 445, 413

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

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

Tuesday's Holy Communion is at 10.15am in Church

Notices

Children are warmly invited to enjoy drawing and activity sheets at the table in the baptistry during the service. We kindly ask that parents or guardians supervise their children both in the baptistery and in the children's area.

The new boiler has been installed.

There is no Morning Prayer on Wednesday

Nominations for Mission Giving – 2026. We would like to give all members of our congregation the opportunity of nominating their favourite charitable organisation for 2026 and would ask if you could let us have your request by Sunday 26th October at the latest, so that the Charites Group can draw up a list which will discussed by the PCC at their meeting in November. Please send/leave your Nomination with a brief description, or attach leaflet of the nature of their work, along with your name and take, post, or email to the church office.

Parish Boundary Change. We are pleased to announce that, with the authorisation of the Bishop of Newcastle, the land enclosed by the St Nicholas Hospital site has officially been transferred from the parish of St Hugh's to the parish of All Saints, effective from 1st September 2025. *Andrew*

When leaving Church, via South Porch entrance, or the Centre in the dark please exit through the Garden of Remembrance where it is well lit.

People's Theatre visit: please can anyone planning to go to The Ghost Train on Thursday 23rd October please let Helen Poole have their ticket money? The price is £13.50 (concessionary rate) or £16.00 standard rate. Thanks!

The Film Group meets on Friday 31st October is in the Upper Room, All Saints Centre, from 6.30pm if you are bringing food, Film begins at 7.15pm. See poster for more information.

Parish Meal Out This is booked for 6.30pm on Saturday 1st November (All Saints Day) at the City of Newcastle Golf Club, opposite the Three Mile Inn. Today is the last day for names and £5 deposits as meals have to be ordered in advance. Anyone wishing to join the party should ask Pam Taylor for a menu today or ring 07977460841

Our Patronal Festival will be celebrated on Sunday 2nd November. The All Souls Service will be on at 6.30pm. Please see the list at the back of the Church for names of those to be remembered.

We plan to send out again a glossy Christmas card to the homes of the parish. Children aged 12 and under are invited to design the front picture for the card. There are entry forms at the back of the church and a box for the completed designs or they can be given to Andrew or churchwardens. The closing date is Monday 3rd November 2025.

There will be a *Confirmation Service* on Sunday 16th November led by the Bishop of Berwick here at All Saints.



The Rt Rev and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally DBE to become the new Archbishop of Canterbury

We pray for her as she begins this new and important phase of her ministry.

News from St Hugh's:

- Revd Adam Romanis is leading worship today.
- The Christmas Fair at St Hugh's is on Saturday 22nd November

Mission of the Month for October Operation Noah

Operation Noah is a Christian charity working with the church to inspire action on the climate crisis https://www.operationnoah.org/



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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 – 2.00pm in the All Saints Centre.

SING at the Centre

We're back!

From 2:30 in the Upper Room for refreshments, to start at 2:50.

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 GROUP

Friday 31st October showing at 7.15pm

The Upper Room, (All Saints Centre)

This month's film is The Paradine Case

Starring Gregory Peck and Ann Todd
Directed by Alfred Hitchcock



In this Hitchcock film, after being accused of poisoning her blind older husband, the lovely Mrs. Paradine hires lawyer Anthony Keane to represent her. Though Keane himself is married to a striking and devoted woman, he finds himself strangely drawn to his glamorous defendant. However, his deepening feelings convince him that she is innocent, even though the evidence and his usual sense of logic and reason suggest otherwise.

All welcome, do bring a friend.

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



Sunday 2nd November

8.00am - Holy Communion

9.30am - All Saints' Eucharist

6.30pm - All Souls' Service

A reflective Service with hymns, prayers and choral music. A time to remember those we love but no longer see.



