

# All Saints Gosforth

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

# Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2023 Trinity Sunday

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

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

# At St Hugh's

11.00am Holy Communion 4.00pm Family @4

# **Thought for Today**

Since the fourteenth century, the Sunday after Pentecost has been celebrated in the western church as Trinity Sunday. Unlike other festivals of the Christian year, which commemorate important events in the history of salvation, Trinity Sunday focuses on a doctrine. On this day we ponder who God is: one God, three persons. Theologians have wrestled for centuries with how to articulate these two truths together in a way that really does justice to both. And yet trinitarian language has always been at the heart of Christian worship, as we can see in the readings provided by the lectionary for today: Jesus' command to baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in Matthew 28, and Paul and Timothy's trinitarian blessing in 2 Corinthians 13. By their focus on liturgical action, these passages encourage us to see the Trinity not as a puzzle to be solved, but a mystery to be entered, not as a way to understand God, but to worship him. This Trinity Sunday, we can celebrate with joy that God reveals himself to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and invites us to share in the love that is shared within the Godhead.

# Míriam Jones

Next Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30am is the All Together Service called 'Show mercy'. Please see the poster at the end of the newsletter.

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.

Readings:

Old Testament: Isaiah 40:12-17, 27 to end 2 Corinthians 13:11 to end Mathew 28:16 to end

8.00am Holy Communion

Presiding: Revd Canon Andrew Shipton

Preaching: Revd Dr Miriam Jones
9.30am Parish Communion

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**Hymns** 

**Processional:** Green 146 Holy, Holy, Holy

**Gradual:** Brown 23 Be still, for the presence of the Lord

**Offertory:** Green 336 Angel voices ever singing

Communion: Green 445 Rock of ages

**Recessional:** Brown 198 O Lord, my God (How great Thou art)

**Anthem:** Hymn to the Trinity no.1 – Tchaikovsky

6.30pm Evening Prayer

**Psalm:** 97;98 **Hymns** 359, 387, 433

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.

Young Saints / Children in the Service Young Saints is on pause for the time being. Children are most welcome in the service. There is a dedicated children's area at the back by the south door; please feel free to use this space and the materials provided. If you do need to step out for a bit, the Centre is open to you. We are deeply grateful to the Young Saints group leaders who have invested so much over the years in supporting children in their faith journeys, and are now looking at how we can continue that important work in new ways.

**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:

http://allsaints-gosforth.org.uk/youtube

#### **Notices**

**Keeping in Touch correction.** The correct answer to Coronation Quiz question 2 is the fourth in line to the British Throne is Prince Louis.

**Amnesty International** Please join us today after the 9.30am service in the Centre for letter writing on behalf of someone less fortunate than yourself. If you do not have the time to write, please log onto www.amnesty.org.uk/cases to sign the general appeal.



**Members of our congregation will be sad to hear** of the death of Grace Brown. Grace was a longstanding and faithful member of the 8.00am congregation.

"DON'T FORGET THE FUN" is what the Mothers' Union leaders keep telling us! So ... on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00pm, after the usual short service, the MU members will be playing many of the games we used to play before technology took over. EVERYONE IS WELCOME to come and join in 'Games Galore.' No need to be a member. Refreshments as ever. Pam Taylor. PS Definitely no Hide and Seek, Hopscotch or Dodgeball! All games will involve sitting around a table.



Our Christian Aid Week appeal has raised £234.90, including gift aid. **Grateful thanks** go to everyone who made a donation. If you still have an envelope waiting to be returned, it is not too late to pop it into the church office or add it to the collection plate on Sunday - and the e-envelope is still live.



# SING at the Centre

Next meeting - Tuesday June 06 from 2:30 for drinks/nibbles first in the (Upper Room). Why not come along and try us out?

Diana Lavin

# Happy Birthday this week to Millie Aitken (8th)

The next All Together Service, a less formal style of worship at 9.30am, will be on Sunday 11th June. See poster at the end of the newsletter.

The Christian Meditation Group next Sunday 11th June at 5.15pm in the Upper Room.

Please see the new edition of the Link. Copies are available at the back of church.

At the **Diocesan Synod on 13th May** Bishop Helen Ann spoke of a vision for turning outwards in mission and ministry and the church becoming younger and more diverse. This being characterised by:

**SEEKING** through being open to God's transforming love in our **worship**: SHARING through being generous with God's transforming gifts in our hospitality; **SENDING** through being engaged in God's transforming work in the world in our **service**.

She spoke of the values of **seeking**, **sharing**, and **sending** as being enabled by intentional resourcing, attentiveness to our diverse contexts, and effective partnerships with no silos.

Over the next 6 months we will consider practical ways to promote this vision.

News from Archbishop Runcie School. There are currently a small number of places available in the Reception class in September. Please speak to Andrew for more details. Applications need to be made to the LA. https://www.newcastle.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/apply-school-place/applying-reception-places

Confirmation at All Saints in September. The Right Revd Mark Wroe, the Bishop of Berwick will be leading a Confirmation Service on Sunday 17th September at 9.30am. All those interested in being Confirmed please be in touch with the Clergy.

Keeping in Touch Please see the new Keeping in Touch Magazine. 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.

We are collecting for the West End Foodbank. Please leave donations of non-perishable foods at the back of church. The foodbank's current most needed items are tea, coffee, rice, soup, tinned tomatoes, rice pudding and tinned meatballs.



**All Saints Book Club 2.0** Is there any appetite to bring back All Saints Book Group in some form? My idea would be an **afternoon** meeting to discuss a nominated book in a friendly and lively way. The aim would be to share a common interest, make new friends and perhaps learn something along the way. As before,

we would aim to read a wide range of texts – fiction or non fiction, classics and modern, summer blockbusters to Booker Prize winners. Anything that is thought provoking and can stimulate a good debate. We could meet either in the centre or perhaps a coffee shop on The High Street. If you might be interested, please let me know. Thank you Karoline Wellborne <a href="k.wellborne@live.co.uk">k.wellborne@live.co.uk</a> or 079686 23452.

Open Gardens is back for 2023. Please see the poster in the newsletter.

# News from St Hugh's -

- Revd Canon Andrew Shipton is leading worship today.
- There is an Informal Service today called Family @4 led by Miriam.

# **Upcoming Events**

### **Prayer and Worship**

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

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

Tuesday's Holy Communion is at 10.15am in church.

# 'Farmers' Market' June 17 - are you ready?

#### **HOW MIGHT YOU HELP?**

- The weather forecast for June isn't that good so I'd be grateful if a couple of people could erect/strike 2 small gazebos – (needed before the start) and again at the end – doesn't need to be the same people (needed for eg children's corner). They are lightweight and new, so clean and easy to handle.
- Please announce the event on your street WhatsApp as soon as you can. (The banners will be up this week.)
- We really need some flyers at Gosforth Pool, Library, Theatre and the Tennis Clubhouse over the road from church. If you might be visiting any of these places this week, can you take a few small flyers from the back of church to leave at any of these venues? They're usually happy to have them. (*Please* let me know/leave a note to say where you'll drop them (list on the back table) so that we don't repeat.)
- All Saints Facebook Farmers' Market Event page is live, more to be added in the next few
  days. If you look there, please don't leave before you 'tick' that you're going and 'share'. If
  you click on 'discussion' you'll find out more info. NB The data clearly tells us that the more
  people do this, the greater the interest generated. Have you done that yet? Even if you
  can't come?
- From June 09, there'll be Facebook promotions. Our advertising in April reached over 9000 people.

Thank you so much, to those who've already volunteered. If you'd like to offer some time (30min slots), please add your name to the list at the back of church or contact me personally **before Fri June 09** – I'll be most grateful. **Diana Lavin** 

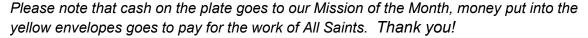
**Ordination of Miriam** as Priest. Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023 11am at Newcastle Cathedral. Her first presidency will be on Sunday 2nd July at Parish Communion. Please save the date.

There will be a special event for young families at the vicarage on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2.30 – 5.00pm.

# **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





**June Mission of the Month: Cornerstone,** Benwell, another worthwhile local project which continues to "include the excluded, empower the disempowered and encourage the discouraged".

## **Contact Us**

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**Thank you**, for looking at our news today.



#### ALL SAINTS CHURCH GOSFORTH: AMNESTY GROUP LETTER MAY 2023

Panusaya Sithijirawattanakul, known as Rung, a fourth-year student at Thammasar University in Bangkok, joined a protest against the enforced disappearances of Thai activists in June 2020. She continued to protest – always peacefully – for political, structural and institutional reform and in March 2021 she was arrested under a law which makes it illegal to defame or insult the monarchy and sentenced to 60 days in prison. She contracted COVID and was denied bail six times. Rung was eventually freed on 30 April 2021 after a hunger strike, but still has more than 25 charges against her under the Emergency Decree and Public Assembly Act.

Specimen letter (Please feel free to write in your own words; £2.20 stamp)

4 June 2023

Prayut Chan-o-cha
Prime Minister of Thailand
The Office of the Permanent Secretary
Government House
1 Nakhon Pathom Road
Dusit, Bangkok 10300
Thailand

Dear Prime Minister

#### Panusaya Sithijirawattanakul (known as Rung)

I am writing to express my concern at the more than 25 criminal charges that are standing against Panusaya (Rung) Sithijirawattanakul under the Emergency Decree, Computer Crime Act, Public Cleanliness Act and Public Assembly Act.

In 2020 Panusaya, then a fourth-year student at the Thammasat University in Bangkok, joined a protest against the enforced disappearances of Thai activists and continued to protest, always peacefully, for political, structural and institutional reform.

In March 2021 Panusaya was arrested and sentenced to 60 days in prison, where she contracted COVID-19 but denied bail six times. After a 38-day hunger strike, she was freed on 30 April 2021 but still faces the criminal charges.

I urge you to ensure that all criminal charges against Panusaya and other peaceful activists are dropped unconditionally.

Yours sincerely





All Saints Gosforth

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023

# All Together Service 'Show Mercy!'

(are we really being kind?)



A less formal service for everyone with activities and holy communion