



All Saints Gosforth

Sunday 17th November 2024
Second Sunday before Advent

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

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At St Hugh's

11.00am	Parish Communion
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Thought for Today

As we near Christ the King Sunday and the start of Advent, we are called to focus on the signs of God's reign, which are present at all times in the warmth, support and practical help of others. Jesus' words today about the temple's destruction remind us that even what seems permanent will crumble, yet God's work in us continues in the midst of change. We are called to endure life's uncertainties with hope, understanding these troubles as the birth pangs of a new creation. Despite darkness and upheaval, we find comfort in God's promise: this is not the end but a beginning. Our challenge is to stay ready, hold firm to the gospel of hope and live it out, and trust that 'the best is yet to come'.

Andrew Shipton

Old Testament: Daniel 12:1-3
New Testament: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25
Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

8.00am Holy Communion

Presiding Revd Canon Andrew Shipton
Preaching Revd Canon Andrew Shipton

9.30am Parish Communion

Presiding Revd Ruth Birnie
Preaching Revd Canon Andrew Shipton

Hymns

Processional Brown 54 Father lord of all creation

Gradual Green 339 Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart

Offertory Green 307 Sweet sacrament divine

Communion Booklet page 8 I am the light

Recessional Green 263 All creatures of our God and King

Anthem Ave Verum Corpus - Mozart

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

6.30pm Evening Prayer

Psalm: 95 **Hymns:** 339, 391, 362

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 to Thursday 8.45am Morning Prayer in Church. Enter by the South Porch

Tuesday's Holy Communion is at 10.15am in church

A statement from the Rt Revd Dr Helen-Ann Hartley, Bishop of Newcastle

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It is right that Archbishop Justin has resigned. This resignation does not solve the Church's profound failure over safeguarding and the ongoing trauma caused to victims and survivors of church related abuse nor does it excuse others whose neglect of their duties is exposed by the Makin report. I remain deeply concerned by the letter dated October 31st that both archbishops sent to me and what its tone and content says about the realities of the culture in our Church that still exist. While some progress in changing the safeguarding culture of the Church has been achieved, sadly the progress made by many is being undermined by the arrogance of a few.

As we approach Safeguarding Sunday, this is a time for us all to reflect on our individual and collective shortcomings. We need to pause and pray for the victims we let down and commit to changing the culture of the old school: a culture that put the reputation of the Church before the protection of the vulnerable. Now is the time for fresh thinking and generous Christianity. Now is the time for a proper conversation about honesty, trust, transparency, independence and accountability when it comes to safeguarding and the Church of England, and I for one welcome that opportunity wholeheartedly.

Notices

Amendments to the newsletter need to be sent to the office by 11.00am on Thursday. .

There will be a memorial service for Margaret Wilkinson at All Saints on Saturday 14th December at 12 noon.

Farmers' Market Nov 16

A whopping big 'Thank You' to all who contributed in any way yesterday. Details to follow in the next 2 weeks. *Diana Lavin & Marian Cave*

Help Needed for the Welcomer Rota: We are struggling to fill the rota for people who are willing to act as Welcomers/Stewards at the 9.30 service each Sunday. It is not a very onerous task, just being there as a friendly, welcoming face to greet people as they arrive whether they are familiar faces or newcomers. Indeed if we had more volunteers, it would be no more than once a month. If you feel that you could do this, please speak to Louise, in the Office, or to Dana or Nick, as Church Wardens.

In addition to this, we must make the annual plea for people to act as stewards at the 4pm or 6.30pm Christmas Eve Carol services. Again, it is not an onerous task but an important one when we know that the Church will be very full. Volunteers please! *Dana Corso, Nick Glover*

We hope work on the organ will be completed the week beginning 25th November .

There will be a sale of secondhand books today Sunday, 17th November in the Hall after the 9.30 service. All proceeds to church funds. *The Book Group*

This morning after the service If you haven't already made a star for the upcoming Star Festival you will have the chance after the 9.30 service today when we will be crafting 2D and 3D stars in the Hall. You don't need to bring anything, and if you don't consider yourself 'artistic' please don't worry! There will be details shortly about where to bring stars that people have made and when we will be installing them. *Social Committee*

We welcome this week a visit of children to church from Gosforth Junior Academy

Fairtrade chocolate advent calendars (and other festive treats like coins and angel tree decorations) are available from Divine and The Meaningful chocolate company online from their own websites or places like Ethical superstore and also from Louise Mabbs from Trinity Church who is organizing a bulk order. I have examples of products and aim to be at Parish breakfast and can take orders or you can contact her directly (Louise Mabbs 07888 238 998 louise.mabbs.textiles@gmail.com). *Nicky Portergill*

The Revd Adam Romanis. We look forward to welcoming Adam as our celebrant on Sunday, 24th November, at 9.30 a.m. Adam has recently retired to the area after serving as Vicar in Ashington, on the Newcastle Quayside area, in Oxford, Birmingham, and York. He is no stranger to All Saints, having been a member of the choir as a young person. A very warm welcome also to Juliet and Kaleb

Please see the poster about Christmas Arts and Crafts on Saturday 7th December between 2-4pm on this Newsletter.

We hope to have the parish Christmas cards ready for delivery by next Sunday.

Our next recital is on Wednesday 4th December at 7.30pm.

A full Christmas Programme will be published next Sunday.

The PCC is seeking a new Treasurer to oversee the church's finances from 1st January 2025. This role builds on the strong foundations established by Fred Carr and the careful work recently undertaken by Chris Bolland. The role is evolving and offers an opportunity to gain deeper insight into the mission and ministry of All Saints. Expressions of interest would be gratefully received by Dana, Nick (the churchwardens), or myself. Andrew

Food donations Thank you for continuing to bring in donations for Kenton food bank. The staff always express their heartfelt thanks when we take along another carboot-full. Their most wanted items at the moment are UHT milk, jars of pasta sauce, tinned meat, tinned tomatoes and biscuits. Please remember they can't accept any out of date food. Thank you

Mission of the Month for November West End Refugee Service (WERS), supporting asylum seekers in the west end of Newcastle by way of clothing, bedding and food parcels.

The Christmas Fair is fast approaching, December 7th, 11am. Donations for the bottle stall can be left in the office between 9.30 am-12.30, Monday to Friday. The cake stall will be very happy to receive cakes, pies, jams, chutneys etc. just prior to December 7th or on the day. Please remember to list all ingredients used. We are also asking for contributions to the garden stall, raffle prizes and gifts.



Coffee, biscuits, purchases and chat will all be conducive to an enjoyable occasion. please do spread the word. *Valerie Farthing and Francine Bain*

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Regular Meetings

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 Group Tuesdays 1.00 – 2.30pm in the All Saints Centre.

SING at the Centre

Meeting as usual on **Tuesdays 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.*

Upcoming Events

Advent Sunday will be on Sunday 1st December at 6.30pm. Advent carols followed by mulled wine and mince pies. Please note the poster at the end of the Newsletter referring to the Starry Ceiling this Advent and Christmas.

The Christmas Fair is on Saturday 7th December from 11.00 - 1.00pm.

News from St Hugh's –

- Revd Canon Andrew Shipton is leading worship today.

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!



Some forthcoming events

25th November - Installation of Stars

1st December - Launch of Star Festival, Advent Carol Service 6.30pm

7th December - Christmas Fair

10th December - Carol Singing 6.00pm

15th December - Christingle Service 3.30pm

16th December - Carol Singing in the Shopping Centre

29th December - Family Walk along Jesmond Dene

5th January - Epiphany Brunch after the 9.30am Family Service

14th January - Trip to People's Theatre

1st March - Family Quiz with Pancakes

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JOIN OUR

CHRISTMAS

FAIR

7th December 2024

11:00am to 1:00pm

All Saints Centre

West Avenue, Gosforth

Admission £2.50

(Includes Coffee/Tea & Biscuit)

FESTIVAL OF STARS

As part of our celebration to mark the start of Advent (the lead up to Christmas) we will be holding an Advent Carol Service in our church on December 1st at 6:30pm; this year it will feature the **Festival of Stars**.

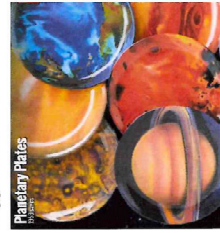
This will involve a display of stars, planets and galaxies suspended from the ceiling of the church and lit from below in what we hope will be a spectacular and memorable event.

We would like your group to help us by creating some items to display - stars, suns, planets, galaxies, etc. - the more the merrier and as different and diverse as possible.

- These can be made of any material and any colour you wish, but the shinier the better
- We suggest that the minimum size would be 150mm diameter, but the shape is up to you
- You can choose to make them 2 dimensional (like a paper plate) or 3 dimensional (like a papier-mâché balloon)
- You can cover or decorate them in any way you wish, but you may wish to use silver foil, coloured glitter, tinsel, wrapping paper, etc.
- We would prefer no man made objects - so no starships or space rockets please (also, no Santas or reindeer)
- The display is to be lit from below, so there is no need to involve any lamps or batteries
- All of the items produced will be hung from a specially installed net that will cover the entire church ceiling - please give some consideration as to how they will be suspended - and nothing too heavy please
- Space is B/G so if your group wishes to make more than one item per person, that would be great!

In the week approaching the event, your group will be invited into the church to attach their items to the netting which will eventually be raised into position high in the church ceiling. We hope that as many young people and their families as possible will attend the revealing service at 6:30 on Sunday 1st December.

Suggestions/ideas



Planetary Plates



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A Starry Ceiling this

Advent and Christmas

To mark the beginning of Advent and the lead-up to Christmas, hundreds of stars, planets, and suns will be suspended from a netting across the pillars of our church, illuminated from below.

This display will serve as a reminder of the majesty of the heavens and the light of Christ entering the world.

The installation will be launched at the

Advent Carol Service on

Sunday 1st December at 6:30 pm.

All Welcome

For further details please contact

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