



Sunday 19th January 2025
Second Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Parish Communion
6.30pm	Service of Prayer for Christian Unity at St Charles Church

For live and recorded services please visit
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At St Hugh's

11.00am	Parish Communion
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Thought for Today

Weddings are always an opportunity for great celebration and in Jesus' time probably involved the whole community as well as immediate family and friends. Hospitality was a sacred duty and any hosts who could not provide enough food and drink for the guests would feel shame among their neighbours. So in providing an abundance of wine Jesus was at least saving the family from shame and embarrassment as well as ensuring that the guests enjoyed themselves. Jesus was no killjoy.

At a deeper level, as the first of the "signs" in John's Gospel of who Jesus truly is, this story demonstrates that God is a God of abundance and will provide generously for our needs and also that God can take the ordinary things of life and transform them into something more wonderful.

As we meet each week to "celebrate" the Eucharist I wonder – do we leave church looking as if we had been to a party or as if we were expecting transformation of the ordinary? In this season of Epiphany (as at all times) that is what we are encouraged to do.

Ruth Birnie

Old Testament: Isaiah 62:1-5

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Gospel: John 2:1-11

8.00am Holy Communion

Presiding Revd Ruth Birnie

Preaching Revd Ruth Birnie

9.30am Parish Communion

Presiding Revd Canon Andrew Shipton

Preaching Revd Ruth Birnie

Hymns

Processional Booklet page 6 Let us build a house (All are welcome)

Gradual Brown 38 Christ's is the world

Offertory Brown 14 An upper room did our Lord prepare

Communion Booklet page 12 Spirit of holiness

Recessional Brown 292 Will you come and follow me

Anthem Coventry Carol

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

6.30pm Evening Prayer at St Charles Church

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

We were all very saddened to hear of the loss of Charles Foister. We pray for Jill, Lawrence, Mary, Joanna, and their families in their grief.

Charles' funeral service will take place 12.30pm on Monday 27th January at:

Northumberland Woodland Burial and Crematorium, Brockenfield Wood, Felton, NE65 9QJ

A live stream of the service can be accessed on the day at the following link

<https://watch.obitus.com>

Username: hajo7352

Pin: 095438

Following the service the funeral reception will take place at:

City of Newcastle Golf Club, Great North Road, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE3 2DR

For those that wish, in lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Charles can made on line to the following charities:

The Linda Norgrove Foundation (helping women and children in Afghanistan)

<https://lindanorgrovefoundation.org/donate/>

Maggies (cancer care)

<https://www.maggies.org/get-involved/donate-maggies/>

There will be no Evening Prayer at All Saints tonight, Sunday, 19th January. Instead, a united service will be held with the churches of Gosforth to mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This service will take place at St. Charles Roman Catholic Church at 6:30 pm.

Last Wednesday the PCC discussed a response to the proposal to end church attendance as a qualification for admission to Archbishop Runcie Church of England First School. With admission based on largely on geographical distance from the school. All Saints, rather than St Nicholas Church, would be most affected by this change. This could mean that families who attend All Saints may not be able to secure a place in the future. Your input would be valued on this significant matter. Please email the clergy with your views which will be fed back to Governors. The consolation period finishes on 30th January 2025.

Please see the notice about the Bible Studies on the Psalms in January.

Film Night is on Friday 24th January at 7.15pm in the Upper Room. The film is American Beauty. This award winning film gives a disturbing insight into life in suburban America. Lester Burnham, a fortyish adman and his status-seeking wife find that their marriage and lives are slowly unravelling. Lester's wife hates him, his daughter Jane regards him with contempt and his boss is looking to sack him. As Lester decides to make a few changes in his life, the freer he gets the happier he becomes but he is about to learn that the ultimate freedom comes at the ultimate price. Please see the poster later in the newsletter.

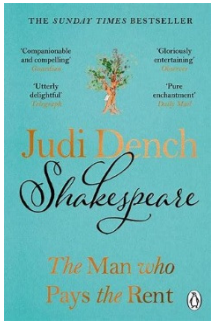
Faith at 4 phase 2. All welcome to join us at 4.00pm on Sunday 26th January for a special Faith @4 looking back on 2 years of exploring faith together and forward to imagine what Faith @4 could be in the future. There will be cake. If you would like to send any thoughts, comments, memories, photos ahead of time please send them to Miriam.jones@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk.

All Saints is a member of Tyne and Wear Citizens and Tyne and Wear Citizens are holding their AGM on Thursday 23rd January 6.30pm to 8.30pm at ReCoCo 1 Clariol Square, Newcastle, NE1 6UF. All welcome. A chance to celebrate all that has been achieved and look forward to 2025 To easily register please go to:

<https://actionnetwork.org/events/tyne-and-wear-citizens-agm?source=direct> link&

The following meetings are planned for January
St Hugh's PCC: Sunday, 19th January at 11.45am.
Safeguarding Committee: Tuesday, 21st at 7.30pm in the Columba Room
Communication Team meeting Wednesday 22nd at 7.00pm in the Columba Room
Social and Events Committee meeting Thursday 23rd at 7.15pm in the Columba Room
Meeting of Leaders of the subcommittees of the All Saints PCC: on Friday, 24th January at 7.30pm in the Vicarage.

There is a Holocaust Memorial Evening on 22nd January 7.00pm at St Mary's Catholic School, NE7 7PE. Booking is essential. Telephone 0191 2433316 or email interreligious.relations@diocesehn.org.uk



All Saints Book Group January Meeting - Shakespeare: The Man Who Pays The Rent by Judi Dench. A witty, insightful journey through the plays and tales of Shakespeare. For the very first time, Judi Dench opens up about every Shakespearean role she has played in her seven-decade career, from Lady Macbeth and Titania to Ophelia and Cleopatra. She reveals her behind the scenes secrets; inviting us to share in her triumphs, disasters, and backstage shenanigans, all brightened by her mischievous sense of humour and striking honesty. We will meet to discuss the book on Thursday 30th January at 4pm in Café Nero on Gosforth High Street. We are a friendly, welcoming group and are

always keen to have new members. You don't have to commit to read every book but you never know, you might find an unexpected gem!

Advance notice: February's book will be *Old God's Time* by Sebastian Barry on 27th February.
Karoline Wellborne

Our celebration of Candlemas will be on Sunday 2nd February. This marks the conclusion of the Christmas season as we bid farewell to the stars, Christmas trees, and crib.

All Saints Receives Eco Church Bronze Award! This award recognizes the steps we have taken as a church to care for God's earth: in our worship and teaching, in how we manage our buildings, energy use, and grounds, in supporting eco initiatives locally and globally, and in promoting sustainable individual lifestyle choices. Eco Church is one of the many ways we are putting "living, thoughtful, caring faith" into action, demonstrating the love of God through care for creation. Many thanks to all who have contributed to this achievement!



First Aid at church events. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to serve as the designated First Aider at church events. If you would be willing to be trained for this role and be available to help at various church events throughout the year, please could you let me know via email or text message. PCC is prepared to contribute to the costs, so please don't let this put you off. Details of where and when the training will take place to be determined once expressions of interest have been received. Thank you. *Miriam Jones*.

Mission of the Month for January St Paul's Community Partnership in Willington Quay. The aim of the Partnership is to enable Willington Quay to be a better place in which to live and work, for the flourishing of the community in this very deprived area through offering different groups, resources and help through the centre.

Any empty chocolate boxes? Lids and bases please, for the next Art and Craft session in the Centre on 1st February. Large or small. I'll put a box at the back of church or you can give them to me. Thanks! Please see the poster later in the newsletter for more information. *Ann Cross*

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 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.

News from St Hugh's –

Revd Dr Miriam Jones is leading worship today.

Upcoming Events

There will be a Family Quiz with Pancakes 1st March at 6.30pm

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!

Contact us

Vicar of All Saints and Priest in Charge of St Hugh's Rest Day: Saturday	Andrew Shipton	284 5540	andrew.shipton@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
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BIBLE Study

PART TWO

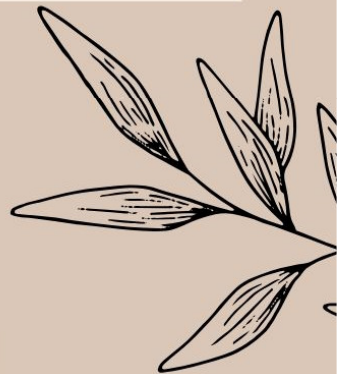
The Psalms: Prayers of the Heart

Back by popular demand! Five more Wednesday afternoons, starting January 15th, 2pm.

All welcome! Come to all five or drop in as you're able. For more information, contact:

Miriam Jones (miriam.jones@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk)

Claudia Newbegin (claudianewbegin@doctors.org.uk)



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Hello
February!

**Art and Crafts in the
Centre**

2.30 - 4.00 pm

Saturday 1st February

**Make a winter picture -
decorate a candle
holder - enjoy
refreshments - have
fun!**

**(All ages welcome, no
charge)**

post@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk



FILM GROUP

**Friday 24th January
showing at 7.15pm**

The Upper Room, (All Saints Centre)

This month's film is America Beauty

This award winning film gives a disturbing insight into life in suburban America.

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All welcome, do bring a friend.

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