



Sunday 23rd March 2025
Third Sunday of Lent

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Parish Communion
4.00pm	Faith @4 in the Centre
6.30pm	Evening Prayer with Reflection

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

11.00am Parish Communion

Thought for Today

Heaven Touches Earth

The prophecy of Isaiah powerfully points out that God and humanity are miles apart. There is no hope for us except in turning to God. But God is utterly other! The answer is WATER! The two verses following this morning's passage (55.10-11) give us the parable of the water cycle: "As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and return not without watering the earth ..." The most commonplace element of creation shows the mystery and inter-connectedness of all life, evoking in us a response of wonder which, if we pay proper attention to it, can re-shape our hearts. The Lenten eco-tree in the porch is inviting us to witness to our engagement in this saving work. Can you contribute a footprint or leaf? It could be a resolution to reduce your carbon footprint in a big or small way. (Write that on a footprint.) Or it could be something that's given you occasion to stop and wonder - maybe just a spring bulb. (Write that on a leaf.) A more intentional pause to wonder at such details of creation, which are so easy to pass by, brings us closer to Christ in his saving love for the world.

Adam Romanis

Old Testament: Isaiah 55 1-9

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Gospel: Luke 13:1 to end

8.00am Holy Communion

Presiding Revd Ruth Birnie

Preaching Revd Adam Romanis

9.30am Parish Communion

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Hymns:

Processional Brown 17 As the deer pants

Gradual Brown 24 Be still, my soul

Offertory Brown 130 In heavenly love abiding

Communion Green 445 Rock of ages, cleft for me

Recessional Green 461 There's a wideness in God's mercy

Anthem If ye love me - Tallis

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

4.00pm Faith@4 in the Centre

6.30pm Evening Prayer with Reflection by Claudia Newbegin

Psalm: 12; 13 **Hymns:** 476, 475, 484

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

Faith@4 is back on today 23rd of this month (note: a week earlier than usual!). Continuing our theme for this spring, 'The Stories of Jesus', we'll explore the Story of the Mustard Seed. Come celebrate how God can grow big things from small beginnings!

Songs, crafts, activities, Bible story, snacks, 4pm start in the church hall, all welcome

At Evening Prayer today, Claudia Newbegin shares thoughts on 'what difference believing in God makes to me'.

Film Night 28th March showing at 7.15pm **A serious man** is a black comedy written and directed by the Coen Brothers in 2009. Set in 1967 Minnesota, it stars Michael Stuhlbarg as Larry Gopnik, a Jewish professor whose life crumbles around him both personally and professionally. This causes him to question his faith. Perhaps based on the Book of Job, it is considered to be one of the Coen Brothers' best films. Don't be put off by the first scene which is set in nineteenth century Eastern Europe.

Mothering Sunday is on the 30th March 2025 and help is needed on the 29th March at 10.00am in the Columba Room to prepare the Mothering Sunday Flowers. Donations of greenery will be most welcome. Please see Pam Taylor.

The Thanksgiving Service for Muriel Dart will be held on Friday, 4th April, at 1:30 pm in the church, followed by a reception in the Centre. May Muriel rest in peace and rise in glory.

Tuesday's Holy Communion is at 10.15am in Church. The church will be open from 10am-10.15pm for prayer

The Lent Groups continue this week focusing on the Creeds. The groups are on Wednesday's at 22 Woodbine Avenue at 2.00pm and on Friday's at 3.30pm in the Upper Room of the Centre. Please sign the sheets at the back to register and to borrow a course booklet. It's not too late to join a group. Some of you have expressed interest in the Lent groups being proposed but are unable to attend at the times they will be running. If any of you are planning to read the book on your own and would like to discuss it with others I would be willing to arrange a couple of sessions possibly on a Saturday or an evening. Please let me know if you would be interested and what times would suit you. Ruth Birnie

Please see the revised booklet for 'Lent, Holy Week and Easter 2025'.

Please see details of our Holy Week Services at the end of the Newsletter.

Please see the poster for the Arts and Craft session on Saturday 5th April 1.30pm- 4pm.

Mission of the Month for March **Friends of Murambinda Hospital, Zimbabwe**, an international project with UK-based support, working in a country with much poverty. This is our 14th year of support, and the yearly update from Dr Carolyn Rigby is always well received.
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!

Special Palm Sunday Service 13th April at 3pm This will be a simple service with communion, followed by tea in the church hall, during which the excellent Semitones Orchestra will play for us. Everyone is welcome, particularly those who find it difficult to come along to our regular morning services. **If you know of anyone who might like an invitation, with the offer of transport, please let Lesley Atkinson know.** If you are able to volunteer help with tea or transport, please sign the list at the back of church.

Please see the poster for the International Organ Day on the 26th April.

Please complete an Electoral Roll Form. All Church of England Parishes across the country are required to prepare a new electoral roll this year. This means that everyone on the existing roll will need to re-apply in order to be included: names are not automatically carried over onto the new roll.

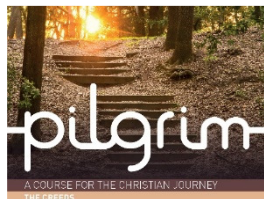
Applications are made by filling out the form, available at the back of church. The preparation of the roll needs to be completed by 20th April and the completed roll will be put up near the main door on the 27th April so any corrections can be made.

Open Gardens Valerie Hedley will not be organising the Open Gardens' this year. Anyone who wishes to open their gardens to the congregation should get in touch with Louise (Parish Office) and state their name, address and date and time of opening. *Regards Valerie Hedley*

The Eco Group invites you to share your tips for reducing waste, using resources sensibly and leading an 'eco-friendly' lifestyle by writing your suggestions on one of the 'footprints' (on the table at the back of church) and hanging it on the Lent tree in the north porch. We hope to share all your ideas after Easter - so no names please! It can be something that you've done for years and probably not given much thought to, or perhaps a new scheme as to how you might reduce use of single-use plastic, for example, and it doesn't have to be original. *The Eco Group*



Lent, Holy Week and Easter 2025.



This year, as we journey through Lent, Holy Week, and Easter, our focus be on God!

In particular, we take the opportunity to reflect on an important historical milestone—the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea.

This was the first time bishops from across the Christian world gathered to discuss the nature and identity of Jesus, affirming His divine and human nature.

The Lent course from the pilgrim Series will hopefully deepen our understanding of the Creed and the role of creeds in the life of the Church. It's easy to use and lead - no expertise is required only a willingness to explore and engage with what we affirm each Sunday'. If you would like to join a group or offer a venue to meet or lead a group, please write your name on the sheet at the back of the church. *Andrew*



Marathon for Murambinda After many years of applying I finally got a place in this year's London Marathon which takes place on 27th April. I have decided to use this to help raise funds for the Friends of Murambinda Hospital. As you all know this charity is currently Mission of the Month and has long been supported by All Saints. I also have a personal connection having briefly visited the hospital over 30yrs ago. If you feel able to support me in this endeavour please follow the link below or use the QR code. Every penny raised goes directly to support the hospital.

Many thanks, *Brian Smith* <https://2025tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/brian-smith-fmh>

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.

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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ALL SAINTS CHURCH ALL AGE WORSHIP

FAITH @ 4











LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

4:00PM

ALL SAINTS CENTRE | NE3 4ES | GOSFORTH



FILM CIRCUIT

Friday 28th March
showing at 7.15pm

The Upper Room, (All Saints Centre)

This month's film is
A Serious Man

Written and directed by the Coen Brothers in 2009 starring . Set in 1967 Minnesota, it stars Michael Stuhlbarg as Larry Gopnik, a Jewish professor whose life crumbles around him both personally and professionally. This causes him to question his faith.

All welcome, do bring a friend.

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



All Saints
Gosforth

Mothering Sunday
30th March 2025
at
9.30am

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OF FLOWERS

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International
Organ Day



26th April
2025

All Saints Gosforth West Avenue
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12.00 Free Lunchtime Organ
Recital given by Myles Hartley PhD,

FRCO

Obangiji ('Almighty God') Fela Sowande (1905-1987)
La Réjouissance, Menuet, & Reprise G. F. Handel (1685-1759),
(Music for the Royal Fireworks) arr. Gower
Largo (2023) Sasha Johnson Manning (b. 1963)
for Terry Crolley
Farewell to Stromness Peter Maxwell Davies (1934-2016),
arr. Gower
Toccata (Suite No. 1 for Organ) Florence Price (1887-1953)
Chorale Prelude on 'Erhalt uns, Herr' Christa Rakich (b. 1952)
(‘Keep us, Lord’)
Finale (Sonata in G Minor, Op. 23) Oskar Lindberg (1887-1955)
Meditation Laura Valborg Aulin (1860-1928),
arr. Lauenstein
Toccata and Fugue in D Minor, BWV 565 attrib. J. S. Bach (1685-
1750)
Wach auf, mein Hort Paul Hindemith (1895-1963)
(‘Awake, my treasure’ - Mov. 2, Sonata 3)
Postludium in G (1829) Fanny Mendelssohn-Hensel (1805-
1847)

Contributions welcome!

ALL SAINTS' CENTRE
LINDEN ROAD
GOSFORTH N.E.3 4ES

ART & CRAFTS

FOR EASTER AND SPRING

SATURDAY 5TH APRIL

2.30 - 4.00 PM

CREATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES!

NO CHARGE - REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED



Holy Week

Palm Sunday 13th April

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Procession of Palms and Eucharist
3.00pm Holy Communion in the Centre
6.30pm Stations of the Cross

Monday 14th April

7.30pm Compline and reflection on the Lord's Prayer

Tuesday 15th April

9.45 – 10.15am Peaceful reflection
10.15am Holy Communion
7.30pm Compline and reflection on the Lord's Prayer

Wednesday 16th April

7.30pm Compline and reflection on the Lord's Prayer

Maundy Thursday 17th April

7.30pm Eucharist of the Last Supper and feet washing followed by vigil



Good Friday 18th April

10.00am An informal service followed by hot cross buns in the All Saints Centre
11.15am Act of Witness at Trinity Church
2.00 – 3.00pm The Final Hour
Led by Revd Adam Romanis



Holy Saturday 19th April

8.00pm Easter Vigil and lighting of the Easter Candle beginning in the All Saints Centre

Easter Day 20th April

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Parish Communion
6.30pm Choral Evensong

