

Today's Services

Bible Readings Communion Services:

Old Testament	Exodus 24:12-158	Pew Bible/OT p72
New Testament	2 Peter 1:16-21	Pew Bible/NT p234
Gospel	Matthew 17:1-9	Pew Bible/NT p17

8.00am Early Communion

Revd Canon Andrew Shipton

9.30am Parish Communion

Presiding: Revd Ruth Birnie

Preaching: Revd Canon Andrew Shipton

Processional: ✕38 Christ's is the world

Gradual: 137 Come down, O Love divine

Offertory: ✕139 Jesus Christ is waiting

Communion: 339 Be thou my vision

Recessional: See pew sheet Isn't it good

6.30pm Evensong followed by refreshments

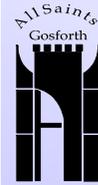
Psalm 84 Hymns: 436, 391, 485

We pray

- for those whose decisions have taken them to places of regret
- for those whose disappointments have taken them to places of negativity
- for those whose experiences of being let down have taken them to places of loneliness
- for ourselves where experiences have left us sad and disillusioned
- for our monthly mission, NIDAS, a project run by Changing Lives, and all the charities we support.

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.



All Saints' Church

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

In Touch Weekly

Sunday 23rd February 2020

Sunday next before Lent

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The Parish Office is open Monday – Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm Tel. (0191) 2130450



Thought for Today

The Transfiguration of our Lord is a great story in the Gospels, an episode where Jesus is revealed as he truly is, not merely a fairly special man, or a marvellous teacher, but as the Son of God. It came at a particularly significant time for the disciples. Before they face difficulties, they gain insight into how things are going to be. The disciples are shown that the divine hand is at work in the events Jesus will endure and that there will be glory in the end.

The Transfiguration then, was a marvellous experience for the closest of Jesus' disciples, one which they wanted to last for ever. This is why Peter makes that rather embarrassing comment about making three tents for Moses, Elijah and Jesus. This is because, by the rules of Middle-Eastern hospitality, to set up somewhere for them to stay would require them to remain until the host wished them to leave.

I think this story helps us on the journey we are about to make during the season of Lent. It is not going to be easy, but we see we are part of a greater reality, and despite how it seems, how badly life goes wrong and the unexpected happens, there will be a glorious ending.

Andrew Shipton

Welcome to All Saints' especially to all those visiting for the weekend, or worshipping with us for the first time. Children are especially welcome. There is a Children's Corner at the back of church where younger children may like to go during the service with books, work-sheets etc, which may be taken back to pews. There are children's activities during the Service in the Centre. We may take photographs during the service to add to our website. Please let the office know if you do not want your photograph taken.

The Goodbox plate by which you can donate to the church with a debit/credit cards will be available this morning.

The Ash Wednesday Service will be on 26th February at 7.30pm

A Parish Away day has been booked at Shepherds Dene for Saturday 27th June 2020. More details in the forthcoming weeks.

Details of the post of Children's and Youth Worker at All Saints' can be found on our website,

Keys- do you have keys to the church or the Centre? We need a complete list of key holders for Insurance purposes. Please let the Church office know which keys you have and if you have keys you no longer need please can these be given to the clergy or the churchwardens (Paul Wilkinson and Ros Place) or dropped off through the letterbox in the office door.



In mid-January 2020 the PCC voted unanimously to accept the offer to our church of a grand piano on loan for music events and concerts (please see the Feb/March *In Touch* magazine for more details). Does anyone have an **adjustable** piano stool we could have, please*? Please see Diana Lavin or Rosamund Place (churchwarden) if so. Thank you! *(In black would match our lovely instrument!)

Mindful Body Dance next class Monday 23rd February 1.45 – 2.45pm. Don't forget your bottle of water.

Reports for Annual Meeting

We are starting to put together our Annual Report for the AGM in April. Please send your report to the parish office at post@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk

The Annual Confirmation Service will be held on Saturday 30th May. Please contact the clergy if you are interested in being Confirmed.

We welcome Father Michael Campion with the congregation of the Holy Name Jesmond to Evensong today at 6.30pm. Help would still be appreciated with the refreshments. Please see Ros Place and Paul Wilkinson.



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.

On Monday 2nd March we have work in church to do in the run-up to our concerts (the first one is on 7th March at 7.30, the *Herschel Trio*) and Easter. The plan is to clear and clean some cupboard space and tackle carpets and porches. Please join us! Refreshments guaranteed! Rosamund Place, churchwarden.

All Saints' Gardening Group are planning to work on Monday 2nd. March between 10 a.m. and 12 noon. Do come along to help us keep our church garden and grounds looking their best. Paul Wilkinson Churchwarden.

The Bells are rung today in celebration of John's Penn's 90th Birthday.

During the week

Monday	8.45am 1.45pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer Mindful Body Dance Bell Ringing Practice
Tuesday	8.45am 10.15am 1.00pm 3.00pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer Holy Communion Little Saints Afternoon Tea Club Evolution
Wednesday	8.45am 10.00am 3.15pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer Sew, Knit & Natter Painting for Fun R Group Ash Wednesday Eucharist
Thursday	8.45am 7.00pm	Morning Prayer Choir Practice

Friday

SUNDAY 1st March 2020 First Sunday of Lent

8.00am	Early Communion
Presiding:	Revd Canon Andrew Shipton
Preaching:	Revd Beverley Davies
9.30am	Parish Communion
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11.30am	Café Church
5.15pm	Christian Meditation Group
6.30pm	Evening Prayer

Bible Readings for Sunday 1st March 2020 9.30am.

Old Testament	Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7	Pew Bible/OT p2
New Testament	Romans 5:12-19	Pew Bible/NT p151
Gospel	Matthew 4:1-11	Pew Bible/NT p3

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NEWCOMERS? – Please complete a green Contact Card and place it in the box provided, or hand it to one of the clergy or churchwardens. MOBILITY? – Please let a steward know if you need assistance going up for communion, or would like communion to be brought to you. LOOP SYSTEM? – If you use a hearing aid, please switch it to the 'T' position to use our loop system.

Lent Courses

During this five-week programme we shall look at Superstar—a reflection and exploration of issues raised by the production Jesus Christ Superstar.

Monday afternoon: 1:30pm.

First Session 2nd March last session 30th March.

Leader: Beverley Davies, Tel: 07989 145610, Venue: Beverley's Room

Wednesday evening: 7.30pm.

First session 4th March last session 1st April.

Leader: Vic Spong, Tel: 236 4532 - venue TBC

Thursday afternoon: 2.00pm.

First session 5th March last session 2nd April.

Leader: Valerie Hedley, Tel: 284 9045 – Venue: 26 Eddlestone Avenue, Kenton

Thursday afternoon: 1:30pm.

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Leader: Karoline Wellborne: 1:30pm – The Upper Room, All Saints' Centre

Friday afternoon: 2:30pm.

First session 6th March last session 3rd April.

Leader: Ruth Birnie, Tel: 284 1393, Venue TBC

'John Henry Newman – A Very Brief History' Lecture by Processor Eamon Duffy on Saturday 29th February 2020 12.15pm at The Church of the Holy Name, North Jesmond Avenue For tickets please visit: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/john-henry-newman-a-very-brief-history-with-professor-eamon-duffy-tickets-91545955417>

Loss Adjusters The next meeting will take place on Sunday 1st March 12noon at Barluga

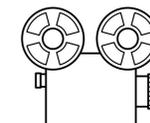
Book Club meet on Tuesday 3rd March at 7.30pm in the Columba Room

CAN YOU HELP? We are looking to form a NEW team to assist serving refreshments during the many Concerts planned in Church during this year. We need 10 -12 men or women to pour refreshments during the concert intervals. Duty would be one concert every 3-4 months. Supplies would be ready available on the night. No washing up after the concert just clearing glasses into a container. If you can help to make All Saints' new venture run smoothly and a success please get in touch with Yvonne (01661 825863) or Louise in the office (0191 2130450) or add your name and details to the blue form at the back of church.
Thank you for your continuing support of All Saints' work

Special Palm Sunday Service 5th April 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 tell Lesley Atkinson Tel 2847163. If you are able to volunteer help with tea or transport, please sign the list at the back of church.



FILM NIGHT AT THE 'DUKE'



Thursday 27th February
DUKE OF WELLINGTON,
Kenton Lane
Showing at 7.15pm

'The Post'

Introduced by Nick Glover

This film is described as an historical political thriller, from 2017, and stars Meryl Streep and Tom Hanks. Set in 1971, it depicts the true story of attempts by journalists at *The Washington Post* to publish the Pentagon Papers, classified documents regarding the 20-year involvement of the United States government in the Vietnam war. The film had very good reviews at the time and received several Oscar nominations.

Followed by a discussion of the ethical issues raised by this film.

All welcome, bring a friend.

Entrance is free but a donation (suggested £1) is invited towards costs.

There is a good bar meal menu at the Duke so why not come early, from about 6.15, and have a meal together. We meet in the upstairs room and there is a large car park at the rear of the pub.

Upcoming Concerts at All Saints' Church

The Herschel Trio

Saturday 7th March 2020 7.30pm

Tickets available at www.ncem.co.uk or Tel. 01904 658338

Jesus Christ Superstar – directed by John Lewis

Good Friday 10th April 7.30pm

Free entrance

Master Musicians International – Inaugural Classical Music Concert.

Wednesday 1st April 2020 at 7.30pm

Admission £10 (accompanied children free)



Come to All Saints' for refreshment!

Paul and I would like to extend our most grateful thanks to those who have provided refreshments to hundreds running into thousands of people over the last year. We

have noticed how much audiences, congregants and visitors appreciate the fact that they are offered refreshments, usually in proper cups and glasses, in themselves a treat and so eco-friendly, of course. We are conscious that people who serve refreshments often order and fetch food and drink, come to the Centre early, leave events before intervals, final hymns / items on the programme, and then clear and wash items ready for the next team to use.

Ros noticed last Heritage Day that several people spent over 20 minutes by the refreshment table over a cup of tea before they headed off around the church – what an illustration of the value of a simple welcome!

We wish to acknowledge the generosity and kindness of people who host, but may we also mention that on occasions contributions to the cost of refreshments add up to a useful sum particularly when events in church have been free of charge, as people tend to show their appreciation back in that way.



So a big thank you! Let's raise a glass of wine or a cup of coffee to our refreshments providers!

Paul Wilkinson and Rosamund Place, churchwardens

Fairtrade Fortnight: Monday 24th February - Sunday 8th March

All Saints' is a Fairtrade Church, we use fairtrade tea, coffee and sugar at parish breakfast and many of you regularly chose fairtrade products. During these 2 weeks we are asked to make a special effort to chose products displaying the fairtrade mark when we shop. Many supermarkets and other high street retailers stock fairtrade products - keep your eyes peeled!

See <https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/> for more information about how you can support those who grow our food but may struggle to feed their own families.

The Traidcraft stall will be at parish breakfast on 23rd February but unfortunately I won't then be with you until 15th March. On March 8th we will be offering cakes and biscuits made with fairtrade ingredients at parish breakfast, donations gratefully received.

As usual there will be a mindful walk on Sunday 23 February at 3pm (meeting next to the wildlife area). **Jill will be away on Sunday 1st March but of course it doesn't stop anyone else continuing the walk!** The usual time of 3pm remains for a while for a while - until the park gets too busy at that time.

World Day of Prayer (for Zimbabwe) 1.30pm Friday 6th March.

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