



All Saints' Church

Sunday 16th August 2020

www.allsaints-gosforth.org.uk

Find us on Facebook <https://facebook.com/allsaintsgosforth>

Follow us on Twitter: @AllSaintsGos

The Parish Office is closed.

Services this week

8:00am – Holy Communion with The Book of Common Prayer

9:30 Parish Communion

This will be live-streamed to our Facebook page. Please visit <https://allsaintsgosforth.wixsite.com/all-saints-gosforth/worship-with-us-at-home> for the link.

Or Facebook direct <https://facebook.com/allsaintsgosforth>

6:30pm Evening Prayer with The Book of Common Prayer

Evening Prayer is also being recorded and will be available on our website at <https://allsaintsgosforth.wixsite.com/all-saints-gosforth/worship-with-us-at-home>

Readings

Old Testament:	Isaiah 56:1, 6-8
New Testament:	Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Gospel:	Matthew 15:10-28

Thought for today

Jesus' earthly ministry was very brief, around three years. He met and influenced many people; those who were within the religion and customs he was familiar with, as well as those who came from far and wide to meet him. But, I wonder, what changed his mind, what made him think about those on the 'outside' and how God sees them?

I believe that during these three years, Jesus would have questioned his faith, his own people's relationship with God and about their history. He knew he had some ministry to offer, but he needed to make informed decisions and to carefully consider what part in Israel's history he was going to play.

In our gospel reading today, we see Jesus encounter someone from the 'outside', and it is through this meeting (I think) in Matthew's gospel that Jesus begins to re-think his ministry.

We may think that we are confident in our faith, that it is us that can teach others. Today, we see Jesus listen to a woman who has no qualms about speaking her mind, and what it is she needs from Jesus.

I pray that we too can listen to the needs of others and have an open mind to learn new things and think of new possibilities from those who are on the 'outside'.

Beverley Davies

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.

Dear All,

In these last few weeks, we have had glimpsed a world beyond Covid 19. We've been able to see family and even drink and eat out. However, as we look forward, we are aware that we may face further disruption. Many jobs look threatened or could be considerably different, new regions may have new lockdown measures imposed on them and many may find their needed holidays cancelled. Locally Gosforth High Street looks so different. We have seen Beirut rocked by that awful explosion which killed and destroyed so much of the city and her people. We have seen some heart-breaking scenes.

At All Saints' we bring to God our concerns and fears as we reflect on such a time. You will see from the pew sheet that we are returning (slowly and cautiously) to a regular pattern of worship and this Sunday 16th August there will be a 8.00am Holy Communion, 9.30am Parish Communion and 6.30pm Evening Prayer. There will be a service of morning prayer at St Hugh's at 11am .

Please remember that that we will not be able to receive Communion in both kinds or hear the words of administration at Holy Communion. Communion will be by wafer only. Please hold out and cup your hands so that the wafer can be lightly dropped into them. This will be at the end of the service. The sides people will guide everyone during communion. The celebrant will wear a mask and visor when distributing communion. Please feel free not to partake in the communion if you prefer. This will be explained at the services.

The said Evening prayer service will be held in the main body of the church.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Andrew



Your Sunday Service - here's what you need to know

Before

If you are unwell or have any symptoms of COVID19 – cough, high temperature, loss of taste or smell – please stay at home.

If you've been near anyone with symptoms or who is unwell please stay at home.

If you are in a group that the government defines as 'at risk' – e.g. aged 70+, pregnant, with an underlying health condition – why not watch the online service to reduce the risk to yourself of coming to a crowded place? However we respect your decision based on your health and situation.

There will be music but no singing. You will be in your pew for the full service.

Face coverings are now mandatory.

Arrival

It will take longer to get in: we have lots of space outside but if it's wet or cold dress accordingly. Doors will stay open in church for ventilation.

Everyone (or a 'lead' person for families) will be asked for their name & contact number to support NHS Track and Trace

You will be asked to sanitise your hands then escorted to a pew by a steward

You may sit alone or in family/household groups, not next to friends, this is to comply with government advice on distancing

During

Service sheets/booklets will be in the pews. Church stewards who have sanitised their hands will have put these out. Take them with you when you leave please

The clergy will welcome everyone and explain the new normality!

We'll all stay seated during the service.

The kids corner won't be in use, and any children who come will have to stay in pews for the full service. They are welcome to bring an activity with them.

The loos in the hall will be open. They are cleaned ahead of opening and again afterwards. There is no coffee in the hall.

After

At the end of the service stewards will escort you out, aisle by aisle. Please stay seated until asked to leave.

Please don't congregate on the paths or by the doors: there is more space on West Avenue to stand and safely talk to others.

If you feel ill or display any symptoms in the days after attending a service please inform the NHS and the clergy so we can help support the Track & Trace efforts

Tuesday Coffee Morning via Zoom is on a break and will return early September.

Parish Breakfast by Zoom. There will be no parish breakfast via zoom this week.

Dial a Service

We have introduced 'dial a service' feature where any member of the congregation who can't attend church can simply dial a telephone number and be able to listen to a service in full. Over the past weeks we have listened to recordings of Evening prayer. From next week we will be able to hear the morning service. The cost is the normal charge for your line. The number is **0191 338 8867**.

Face coverings. We are now to wear face coverings in enclosed public spaces and places of worship. Relevant guidance on face coverings is available on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk)

The next Film Group Zoom meeting will be on Thursday 27th August, and the film for discussion will be The History Boys.

If anyone would like to join the group who hasn't taken part so far please let me know – there's room for more! anncross060@gmail.com

We are delighted that from Sunday 16th August, 45 minutes of safe activities and games will be organised for children on the church green during the 9.30am services. Volunteers are needed to help supervise activities such as a nature scavenger hunt, or simple ball games. All resources will be provided and the aim will be to have fun. If you can help, please email Lesley Atkinson l.atkinson1@btinternet.com or Andrew Shipton andrewshipton085@aol.com

Lesley Atkinson

Please see our new **All Saints Newsletter** called
'Keeping in Touch'

<https://allsaintsgosforth.wixsite.com/all-saints-gosforth/in-touch-magazine>

You will see it's less formal than *In Touch* and will be more frequent depending on contributions.

To send in an article of no more than 400-500 words please email to Allsaintsintouch@outlook.com or pass to: **Christine Willoughby, Dermot Killingley, Lesley Atkinson.**

The People's Kitchen is in need of toiletries and non-perishable foods. All donations would be most welcome. **Graeme at Ashburton News, 21 Ashburton Road** has very kindly offered to be the drop off point where these can be left. Donations can be made from Monday to Friday.

Donations of the following would be particularly welcome:

- Tinned meats
- Tinned pies
- Jars of sauces and stir fry sauces and
- Tinned potatoes

These essentials are necessary for making up food parcels and are very gratefully received by all.

Just Sing..

...our zoom session continues to thrive. Every Friday at 11am.

Is this you -

you like to sing but think you've not much of a voice?

You've thought of coming but changed your mind?

Never mind the 'buts'. No audition, no solos, no lifetime membership fee, just a range of popular music for you to relax to from 1920s up to the present day, from George Gershwin to George Ezra (including show tunes that you'll have probably heard before). Join this friendly group and allow me to bring the piano and the songs right to you in the comfort of your own home. I'll even send you the lyrics. How can I better that?

Why not show up on Friday and give it a try? (You know you want to) and I'm sure you'll think it's 30 mins well spent! Email me for further details: dianalavin@hotmail.co.uk



Our congratulations to **Margaret Wilkinson** celebrating her **90th birthday** on **14th August** and to **Ronnie Robson who is 90** on the **20th August**.

The diocesan newspaper "Link" isn't being printed in August, but you can read it online
<https://www.newcastle.anglican.org/link/>

The Church **Annual General Meeting** will be on **Sunday 18th October**.

Mission of the Month. Each month any plate donations from our services are given to a nominated charity. We ask members of the congregation to consider putting away money and later giving **to PCDC (Practical Compassion for Destitute Children)**, an international charity with UK-based support for children in the Bible lands who have lost their parents or whose parents are unable to get work, to provide for example, school and hospital fees.

Donating to All Saints. We are keeping a very close eye on the cost of running All Saints' and have cut back on much spending, to minimise the impact on the budget set for the year. A very big thank you to all Planned Givers, who donate on a regular basis online. If you would like to join the scheme, please go to <https://allsaintsgosforth.wixsite.com/all-saints-gosforth/stewardship>.

If you normally give to the church via the collection plate, you can make a one off donation in the same place. All contributions are very gratefully received since we have lost several of our regular income streams owing to the cancellation of weddings and the closure of the Parish Centre.

Weddings. From 4th July weddings can once more take place in church. The maximum number of people allowed to attend is 30. Organ music is permitted but we have been advised against any singing.

Funerals. Can now take place in church. The maximum number of people allowed to attend is 30. If you wish to make funeral arrangements, or if you wish to discuss arranging a memorial for a loved one whose funeral took place during lockdown, please contact the clergy.

A message from The Revd Canon Pete Askew Chaplain to the Bishop of Newcastle

Bishop Christine would like to appoint a full-time Personal Assistant for a fixed-term contract of six months. This is to cover sick leave. She would be very grateful if you could advertise the job in your churches, and encourage anyone who might be suitable to apply for it. A full role and person specification, together with an application form, can be found on the diocesan website. The closing date for applications is 19th August, and the interviews will be held at Bishop's House on the 27th August.

This role is key to the smooth running of the Bishop's office, and Bishop Christine is keen to have someone in place as soon as possible.

For an informal conversation about this role, applicants are very welcome to contact me by e-mail:

p.askew@newcastle.anglican.org or by telephone: 0191 2852220

With best wishes,

Pete

Broadcast Services from the BBC

- Live Sunday Morning Worship (BBC1 – 11.30am)
- Songs of Praise (BBC 1 – Sunday – 1.15pm)
- Prayer for the day (BBC Radio 4 – Daily – 5.43am)
- Sunday Worship (BBC Radio 4 – 8.10am)
- Choral Evensong (Radio 3 – Wednesday – 3.30pm)
- Daily Service 9.45-10am weekdays 198 Long Wave only.

For those who love the songs and prayers of the Taizé

Community in France they will be live streaming prayers every evening at 7.30pm our time, so do join them at: www.facebook.com/pg/taize

Please could notices for the pew sheet still be sent to post@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk

Help. If you are self-isolating due to COVID-19 we can help with picking up shopping, posting mail, a friendly phone call or urgent supplies. Just call and we will do our best to help you 2pm-4pm

Monday Tel: 0191 284 1393

Tuesday and Wednesday: 07989145610

Thursday and Friday: 0191 2845540

Vicar	Andrew Shipton	2845540	andrew.shipton@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Assistant Curate	Beverley Davies	07989145610	bev.davies@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Assistant Priest	Ruth Birnie	2841393	ruth.birnie@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Hon Assistant Priest	Rebecca Watts	2859840	rebecca.watts@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Churchwarden	Paul Wilkinson	2368070	paul.wilkinson@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Churchwarden	Rosamund Place	2857244	ros.place@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Treasurer	Fred Carr	01661 825863	fred.carr@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Safeguarding Officer	Kath Davies	07880618911	kath.davies@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk

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.