



All Saints Gosforth



Sunday Services 20th September 2020

8.00 am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
9.30 am	Parish Communion (<i>Live streamed to Facebook see below for link</i>)
2.30pm	Young People's Service 'Jonah and the Whale' (A/A)
6.30 pm	Evening Prayer (A/A)

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Readings

Old Testament:	Jonah 3:10 – 4:11
New Testament:	Philippians 1:21-30
Gospel:	Matthew 20:1-16

The Rate for the Job

The parable of the labourers in the vineyard seems outrageous to us as the employer's behaviour contradicts any idea of sound economics or basic justice and many of us may feel that those who worked longest had a justified grievance.

Yet the very point of the parable is to outrage us by challenging our conventional expectations and leading us to see things in a new light. The parable shows us that God does not give us what we think we deserve (and nobody can earn their way into salvation) but what we need – and what all the labourers needed was enough to pay for a meal and abed for he night. It also demonstrates that God is concerned for the inclusion and salvation of all, not just those who think they are the chosen few and was directed to the religious leaders of Jesus' time. Those who have been "in" a long time have no advantage over those who have just arrived.

Paradoxically, if others have more, that does not mean that what I have is diminished but that everyone is better off. The employer is concerned for the welfare of everyone and that attitude is important for earthly as well as heavenly matters. The former Chief Rabbi Jonathan Sacks writes about the need to recover a set of religious traditions that are concerned with "human solidarity, justice and compassion, and the non-negotiable dignity of individual lives" in our increasingly competitive world.

Ruth Birnie

Keeping safe in church

Face coverings - we are now required 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)

All Saints – what you need to know:-

<https://allsaintsgosforth.wixsite.com/all-saints-gosforth/covid19-risk-assessment>

Upcoming Events

Sunday 20th September	Young People's Service 2.30pm 'Jonah and the Whale'
Saturday 3rd October	Wedding at 1.30pm, Christopher Waites Hanford & Gillian Claire Hardie
Sunday 4th October	Harvest Service 9.30am
Saturday 10th October	Beverley's ordination at St George's Jesmond (see below under 'News')
Sunday 11th October	Beverley's first Eucharist at 9.30am

'Zooms'
Sundays - Parish Breakfast – from 11am - please try and come along online - it will be lovely to see you. *(The idea is that we can get a cup of coffee or tea and sit around the lap top for a 'virtual' get together.)*
Please email Andrew Shipton at andrew.shipton@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk.
Tuesdays @ 11am - Coffee morning hosted by Ruth this week: ruth.birnie@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Thursday Sept 24 – Film Group - this time we shall be discussing the documentary 'Inside the Bruderhof' which is available on BBC iPlayer until around 13th September. *(A change from the usual of course, but this programme looked really interesting and several of us thought that it would give us plenty to talk about)*
Fridays @ 11am - *Just Sing* – be there or be square! Why not show up on Friday and give it a try? I'm sure you'll think it's 35 minutes well spent! (Don't just take my word for it, please ask around.)
Please contact dianalavin@hotmail.co.uk

News

Beverley Davies - as you'll have noted in 'Upcoming events', on Sat October 10th it is Beverley's ordination. Unfortunately, due to current restrictions, C of E guidelines and the ordination of another Curate, attendance is strictly limited to 30 in total (to include Bishop Christine/staff/Incumbents/Curates & guests). On Sun October 11th Beverley will be presiding at her first Eucharist (09:30). If you wish to come to support and celebrate with Beverley please contact the parish office to enable seating to be allocated as necessary. We will be able to share in a 'bring your own picnic' on the green following the Service. More details next Sunday.

2020 The Annual meeting of Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting:

- This year's APCM, (deferred from April due to lockdown) will take place on **Sunday October 18th** immediately after the 9.30am Service. The meetings will be as short as possible but you will need to book a place to attend in person, to ensure that we can continue to observe all COVID safety guidelines.
- Alternatively, we are hoping live stream or Zoom. More clarification next Sunday.
- At the Annual Meeting of Parishioners we will elect a new churchwarden.
- The APCM will consider the reports and accounts for 2019 that were published just before lockdown. Copies are available from the church on a Sunday, online at <https://allsaintsgosforth.wixsite.com/all-saints-gosforth/annual-report> or can be emailed to you.
- If you can't attend the meeting but would like to submit a comment or question about the reports and accounts in advance, please contact post@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
- The meeting will also consider nominations to the PCC (5 vacancies) and to Deanery Synod (4 vacancies). Please consider if you could offer to serve All Saints in this way.
- For any further information, to receive a copy of the reports or for nomination papers please contact post@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk

Happy Birthday for this week to Will Sutton 20th September, Jude Bedford 24th September, Mina Corso 25th September, Oliver Mussett 26th September. **Enjoy your special day!**

Young Saints. There will be activities for children alongside the 9.30am service.

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.

Baptisms We are holding baptisms but with limited numbers. If you would like to know more, please email the office at post@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk,

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

[gosforth.wixsite.com/allhttps://allsaints-saints-gosforth/in-touch-magazine](https://allsaints-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 or Lesley Atkinson.

Prayer and Worship

Our Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 4th October at 9.30am. Please note that this livestreamed service will not be a Eucharist but a Service of readings, music and pictures, to give thanks for all that we have been given and all we enjoy. Please bring donations of food to church which will be taken to the 'Walking With Project' in Wallsend which cares for refugees.



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

Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a free-to-use telephone line. The line – which is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044 –. Please let people know who might benefit – especially those who are not online.

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.
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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 listen to a service in full. The cost is the normal charge for your line. The number is **0191 338 8867**.

Donations

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.

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 the **Northumbria Deaf Church**, based at St Andrew's Church, Newgate Street, supporting services for deaf people in Northumbria and Durham by providing Lay Pastoral Assistants fluent in sign language

Support

(Our response to Covid 19)

How can I help? How can I get 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 2.00 – 4.00pm on:

Monday: 0191 284 1393
Tuesday and Wednesday: 07989 145610
Thursday and Friday: 0191 2845540

NB If you just wish to speak to one of the church staff, please see the contact details at the end of this mail



Hello everyone, it's that time of year again! I shall be holding a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Care at the Community Centre, Newcastle Great Park, on Friday 25th September from 8.30 – 12.30. Do come and enjoy coffee, cake and a chat and raise money for this really worthwhile charity at the same time. (Please note that social distancing rules will apply and that masks must be worn in the Centre, although they can be removed when sitting at a table to enjoy your drink!) For more details please contact me: anncross060@gmail.com

Wanted

Could anyone possibly lend me a bike with stabilisers for a tall 3-year-old for about 10 days, please? If so, please contact Ros Place, details below. Thank you!



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
- Tinned potatoes

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

Contact Us

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Safeguarding Officer	Kath Davies	07880 618911	kath.davies@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk post@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk
Parish Administrator	Louise Waugh	213 0450	The Parish Office is open Monday to Friday 9.30am – 12.30pm. Please observe Social distancing.

Thank you for looking at our news today.

If you have a minute to tell us what you think, please email the parish office, post@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk