



All Saints Gosforth



Sunday Services

23rd May 2021

Pentecost

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| 8:00am | Holy Communion in church |
| 9.30am | Parish Communion in church <i>No live stream today. Please see Pentecost YouTube Service</i> |
| 6:30pm | Pentecost Evening Prayer with hymns <i>no live stream today</i> |

For links to both services please visit

<https://allsaintsgosforth.wixsite.com/all-saints-gosforth/worship-with-us-at-home>

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| 11.00am | Holy Communion at St Hugh's |
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Tuesday

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| 10.15am | Holy Communion |
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Thought for the day

Today we celebrate the feast day of Pentecost where we remember the Holy Spirit falling on to the disciples like a flame.

One of my favourite hymns is Breathe on me, Breath of God by Edwin Hatch (1835-1889). It reminds us that we can't fully be in relationship with God and each other without the Holy Spirit breathing new life into us. Like those disciples who first received the Holy Spirit on the first day of our now Christian Pentecost; we can't stay hidden behind closed doors, the spirit urges us to go out – to share and show others God's love for all creation.

The first verse of the hymn gives us a good prayer to offer today and reminds us that the event of the first Pentecost is a continuing outpouring which is to be shared.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.

Amen.

Beverley Davies

Readings: **New Testament: Acts 8:26 to end**
 New Testament: 1 John 4:7 to end
 Gospel: John 15:1-8

Upcoming Events

Zooms

Tuesday 25th May

Coffee morning @11–11:30am

Please contact **Dorothy Henderson** Dorothyhenderson48@gmail.com

Wednesdays @ 10:00

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Fridays @ 11:00

Just Sing.

– The First Anniversary – we made it!

I'm going to take this opportunity to convey my abundant thanks to those delightful people who've joined Thomas Moorin and myself on Friday mornings – just because they wanted to! Sometimes, we've had 'pop ins' to try us out, others to try songs and carols because it's appropriate for the season and yet more who happened to be off work that day and felt like singing.

Despite the latency issues, we've learned new songs from many genres, had a chuckle at my bad jokes (well okay, maybe some), and for 45m, transported ourselves above and beyond what has been going on in the world. More importantly, we have shared some joy.

What happens now? Well next week we'll be singing as usual and plan to continue as long as there's a wish for us to do so.

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News

Hallelujah! The Calvary sculpture has been found and returned. Andrew writes:

"There was great sadness and shock when the crucifix was taken. For more than half a century it has stood in a consecrated area next to our church where many ashes are buried, giving comfort as the lives of loved ones are remembered. Many of us feared we would never see the bronze statue again and we are so relieved and thrilled that it has been found and returned to us. There is some damage to it but we think it can be repaired. It is wonderful to have the statue back." Please see the new edition of 'Keeping in Touch' for photos and details.

Parish Breakfast is returning after our 9:30am service today. When you enter the hall, please take a seat and remain seated. Your tea and coffee will be brought to you. In line with current Covid regulations you are not permitted to move around from table to table, you must remain in your seat. Please be patient. We will be reviewing the way we hold Parish Breakfast over the coming weeks as restrictions are reassessed.

Many thanks to everyone who donated to Christian Aid last week, whether via the e-envelope or church envelope. So far All Saints has raised £2139 (£2382.75 when gift aid is added). Any outstanding envelopes can be left on the collection plate or returned to the church office. The e-envelope is also still live. Lesley Atkinson

Weddings

Laura Smith and David Harding. 29th May at 12.30pm
We pray for them as they approach their special day

Funerals

Archie Potts at Newcastle Crematorium on May 28th 2021 at 12 noon

We pray for Margaret

Joan Summers in Church 4th June at 10.00am.

We pray for Judith and her family

Hugh Bain 4th June at Newcastle Crematorium at 1.15pm

We pray for Francine and her family.

A Reminder of our Road Map ahead:

- Little Saints restarted on 11th May at 1pm. Pre-registration will be necessary in accordance with the latest government guidelines. To book a place please see our website: <https://allsaintsgosforth.wixsite.com/all-saints-gosforth/little-saints>
 - A Service of Holy Communion on Tuesday 18th May at 10.15am
 - A simplified Parish Breakfast begins today.
 - Events and Lunch on the Green following the morning services on Sunday 4th July
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As we receive our Covid-19 vaccination, free from the NHS, many of us may be reminded both of our good fortune and of the challenge faced by lower income countries. GAVI (the Global Alliance on Vaccination and Immunisation) has recently made it possible for us to make individual donations to support COVAX, the UN/WHO sponsored initiative to provide access to safe and effective Covid-19 vaccine in 92 poorer countries, regardless of ability to pay. In this way we can all celebrate our first or second vaccination with a very practical contribution to the efforts to defeat the pandemic: "Get One = Give One". Please donate here <https://covaxamc.ctdonate.org/index:payment.html>

Please see our new All Saints Magazine called '**Keeping in Touch**'. You can view the latest edition accessing our website. 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 <https://allsaintsgosforth.wixsite.com/all-saints-gosforth/in-touch-magazine> or pass to: Christine Willoughby, Dermot Killingley or Lesley Atkinson.

Prayer and Worship

Tuesday Holy Communion at 10.15am

Sunday 30th May Trinity Sunday Service 9.30am

Young Saints... are back!

Children's worship is back on the Sunday morning agenda at All Saints. For the time being, children aged 3-9yrs will remain in one group, so all-age activities will be offered either outdoors on the green or in the Centre. A maximum number of 15 will be allowed in one group; if we have more, we will be delighted to organise a second group!

Covid-safe restrictions will operate at all times but do let me or one of the church wardens know if there are any concerns.

(Children are welcome to stay in church with their adult but, if they choose to join Young Saints, we ask that they give their name to Track and Trace at the church door then go straight to the Centre. At the end of the service, we ask that adults collect their child/ren from the Centre, reducing the necessity for them to move in/out of the church building.) As soon as it is deemed safe to do so, children will be welcomed at the start and end of the main services again. Meanwhile, leaders and helpers are very much looking forward to working with your children again.

Note - some activities might take place outdoors, so please ensure that children are dressed for the weather!

Lesley Atkinson

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 is available 24 hours a day on 0800 804 8044. Please let people know who might benefit – especially those who are not online.

Donations

Mission of the Month.

Each month any plate donations from our services are given to a nominated charity. All Saints underwrites the donations so that each nominated charity receives 5% of our unrestricted income. During the coronavirus pandemic in 2020 donations for the Mission of the Month have reduced so dramatically that there has been significant additional expenditure in order to fulfil our underwriting obligation.

In order to manage the situation better, those not currently attending church services can make donations in the form of cash, personal cheques and CAF cheques for Mission of the Month by posting or delivering by hand to the parish office mailbox for the attention of the treasurer. Also donations may be made by online transfer into the All Saints' bank account with the name of the appropriate charity as a reference. It should be noted that any donations sent directly to the charities cannot be taken into account when considering All Saints' underwriting guarantee.

Our Mission of the Month for **May** is **uS**, (a local charity founded by Dr Mary Jane Tacchi) with the aim to provide support and opportunities for young people with, or at risk of developing mental illness, to help them identify and achieve personal goals. For more information please visit [About uS - uS active](#)

Thank you for your continued support.

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>.

We will not be taking a cash collection during the services. To make a donation, please use the Tap to Donate machine at the back of the church using your debit/credit card.

Support

If you are finding these times challenging and would like a phone call or a stroll and a conversation do not hesitate to contact Andrew Shipton on 0191 2845540 andrew.shipton@allsaints-gosforth.org.uk or Beverley Davies 07989 145610 bev.davies@allsaintsgosforth.org.uk

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Thank you, for looking at our news today.