



All Saints Gosforth



Sunday Services 13th 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>)
6.30 pm	Evening Prayer (A/A)

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

or

<https://facebook.com/allsaintsgosforth>

Readings

Old Testament:	Genesis 50:15-21
New Testament:	Romans 14:1-12
Gospel:	Matthew 18:21-35

Thought for today

God calls us to be more humane.

Just how much compassion and forgiveness are we required to give? Today we hear that it is endless! One of the most moving experiences in life is to encounter a person who has every reason for being bitter and vengeful but refuses to be either. Instead they remain generous, forgiving and accepting. As followers of Jesus Christ we have been taught that forgiveness and the seeking of reconciliation are a high priority. We all get hurt by others. We can use up great quantities of energy just coping with resentments which pop up into our minds at unexpected moments. Jesus says that we can move forward when we realise we are the debtor who owes so much. He teaches us that reconciliation is a process we can initiate. He tells us that if someone hurts us we are not to wait for them to come and say that they are sorry; we are to go to that person, point (gently and carefully) to the difficulty and try to begin the work of reconciliation. This is not easy but then doing the right thing is often an act of will.

Andrew Shipton

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
Saturday 26th October	Piano Concert in church at 3.00pm more details to follow
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 Beverley this week: bev.davies@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. Thank you.

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**'

[allsaints-saints-gosforth/in-touch-magazine](https://all Saints-gosforth.wixsite.com/allhttps://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

Today at St Hugh's, a Eucharist at 11.00am

This morning John Lewis will be singing the musical elements of the Eucharist (Gloria, Sanctus and Agnus Dei).

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. 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**.

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

Northumbria Deaf Church 2020

Everyone at Northumbria Deaf Church is very grateful that we are Mission of the Month at All Saints' for the month of September, and we'd like to thank Chris Matthews and the committee for selecting us this year. As with all of the other chosen MoMs, it helps us to raise awareness of who we are, and what we aim to do, as well as to try to raise funds for the day to day running costs, such as renting space at St Andrew's in Newgate Street, where we are based, paying for our 3 part time employees, and supporting the projects which bring deaf people together in a friendly environment.

We hold a regular coffee morning on Thursdays, which has been a fixture for as long as I have known the Mission (as it was formerly known). This attracts people from a wide area of the north east, and for many is their only opportunity of seeing other deaf friends, being able to communicate in their own language, and take their minds off some of the stresses brought by being deaf in a hearing world.

There is a lively craft group, which is often focussed on raising money for other causes with the sale of their handiwork.

The walking group visits various coastal, city and countryside spots to walk together, discovering new places and of course finding cafes en route.

There is a monthly signed service, where the deaf parishioners are encouraged to sign the readings, perhaps a prayer, and the deaf choir signs hymns. This is followed by tea or coffee in the church hall.

There is a similar group in Newton Aycliffe, where they meet every month for a church service, followed by refreshments, bingo and a raffle.

You may have noticed that I have used the present tense so far, which implies that all of the above are ongoing activities, but of course Covid has had its devastating effect on our ability to meet up for any reason so far.

Two of our three part time staff are on furlough, as all of our activities had to stop in March. We are now trying to explore ways in which we can restart differently, and hope that we may find ways soon to resume activities deemed to be safe. There are elderly and vulnerable people within the deaf community who are too frightened to leave their homes at the moment.

But this is where technology has been such a blessing. People can chat in BSL on Facetime, Zoom, connect on WhatsApp, share jokes, and make sure that people are managing. Our newest employee, Vikki, is young, tech savvy, brimming with ideas, and is keeping our Facebook page running so that people can keep up to date.

Peter and I, like so many other parishioners at All Saints, have been so grateful to have had the opportunity to view a video service each week, seeing familiar faces and hearing familiar words which helped us all to remain connected. It was after watching one of these videos that I thought that we ought to do a signed video service for our deaf congregation. Beverley gave me advice on how to do it, and how to put it all together, so I duly made note – then asked Vikki if she'd take charge. It took longer than we expected, as we wanted to involve as many people as possible, but at last we had a BSL service that we've been able to share widely, which has been much appreciated. It's not as professional looking as the All Saints videos, and we didn't include sound or subtitles, (not needed if your language is BSL) but we're hoping to do another one this month, and will see how we can improve the end product.

So for those of you who may be interested in watching our very first YouTube signed service – copy and paste the link below, and see what our services involve:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZgC-TFs77-c>

One final word – as there is no sound on the video, and no words to read, this reverses the experience of deaf people who attend a service for hearing people, where they can't hear what is being said, and would struggle with the written language of a prayer book. I do hope that some of you will give it a try.

Thank you,
Lynne Farquharson

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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Thank you for looking at our news today.

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IONAH AND THE WHALE



Join us on Sunday
20th September
at 2.30pm for an
interactive service
retelling the story of
Jonah and the Whale!