



All Saints' Church

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Sunday 28th September

9.45am Holy Communion led by Revd John Kirkby

Readings

1 Timothy 6 vv 6-19
Luke 16 vv 19-end

Hymns

335 Rejoice the Lord is King
244 Blest are the pure in heart
440 Amazing grace
186 Tell out my soul

Thought for the week: Sunday 28th September

Names matter. My grandmother's name was Marie, but when she was 'in service' in big houses a century ago, her employers called her Mary. Under-housemaids didn't have the right to unusual names; she didn't merit that level of attention.

In today's Gospel, the poor man has a name but the rich man doesn't. Sometimes he is known as 'Dives', but that is simply Latin for 'rich'. The name 'Lazarus' indicates where Jesus' priorities lie in giving value and respect to the people of his parable.

How can we also take care to respect folk on the margins of society?

Blessings, Caroline.

Morning Prayer at 9am and **Eucharist** at 9.30am continue on Tuesday morning.
Evening Prayer is on Fridays at 4pm. All welcome.

"Coffee, Chat and Play" takes place on **Tuesday mornings** from 10 - 11.15am.
Everyone welcome to enjoy some time together in the Lower Hall. Refreshments provided.

Friendship Club meets on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30pm in the Lower Hall. This week Revd Caroline Weaver will be speaking about prison chaplaincy.

Harvest Festival: our harvest celebrations will be **next Sunday (5th October)**. As usual our monetary donations will be split between All We Can and the Bishop's Harvest Appeal and food donations will go to DENS. Their current high needs list is at <https://www.dens.org.uk/support-us/high-needs-list/> The service will be followed by a **bring and share lunch** and there is a sign up sheet on the table. Everyone is very welcome whether or not you are able to contribute - there is always plenty.

It would be good to celebrate Harvest by decorating the church with autumn tints of flowers, foliage and seeds. Come along on **Saturday 4th October** from 10.30am - 12.30pm. Raid your garden or the hedgerows! Sylvia Smith

Messy Church: for the next Messy Church on **12th October** we need a few clean 2-litre plastic bottles and a few of the flexible wooden containers that Camembert comes in. If you can help with supplying any of these, please bring them to church in the next couple of weeks. Thank you.

Bike n Hike: thank you very much for your support and donations. We enjoyed the day and cycled 35 miles whilst visiting twenty churches. Heather and John Wignall

Flowerbeds update: instead of a plan of all the church garden areas, which was quite a daunting thought, it is now suggested that we take photos of the various flower beds needing care and display them for people to choose which area they would like to care for. We shall need lots of help, although at last we appear to have found a gardener. Please look around the church grounds and decide which area you would like to help to maintain. Thank you in advance!

The link to watch the service on Sundays is <https://www.youtube.com/@Allsaintshp4/live>

Prayer Requests:

For: Jonathan and Ann Hayes; Helen and Sarah; Marion and Julian; Audrey and Paul Cox; Mark, Nicola and family; Terry; Heather Gifford; Liz and Paul; Ida; Penny; Tracy Robinson;

We pray for our neighbours throughout the world whose lives have been changed by the events in Israel, Palestine and Lebanon, and pray especially for all those who have lost loved ones and homes due to the conflict. We pray too for all aid workers who have died or been injured while trying to bring supplies to those in need and for their families.

We pray too for those who are caught up in war in other parts of the world, including Sudan and Ukraine and for those facing the threat of starvation in the ongoing hostilities;

We pray for the people of Myanmar following the devastating earthquake at the end of March;

We also pray for:

All who are refugees, especially those who are not receiving help to rebuild their lives in safety;

We pray that the issue of climate change may not be forgotten and all the nations may act to secure the safety of our world. We pray too for all whose lives have been badly affected by climate changes in the areas where they live.

We pray that all MPs may serve their constituents and country with integrity and care for all they represent.

We continue to pray for the children and their families of our church and town and all who work in the NHS; Social Services and the charities who are supporting the sick or frail;

We pray for those who are helped by Embrace the Middle East, Karibuni Children; the Leprosy Mission; Phakamisa, DENS; the Way Inn with Open Door; the Swan Youth Project and for all those who work in these organisations.

We continue to pray for those whose need is ongoing:

Julia Wright; Corinne & William; Gary Andersen; Charlie; Graham Rule; Clare Hancock; John Malcolm; Valerie Ruddock; Jenny Wells; Barbara Conway; Marnie Taylor; Leslie; Lesley Whittaker; Chris Billington;



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