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# ALL SAINTS

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*The Church of England*  
*at the heart of Northampton*  
A Registered Charity, no. 1179960

# WELCOME

Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

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## Today at All Saints' Church...

### HOLY COMMUNION at 8:00 a.m.

*Celebrant & Preacher:* The Reverend Oliver Coss, *Rector*

The Order for Holy Communion begins on Page 236 of the *Book of Common Prayer*

The Collect, Epistle & Gospel can be found on the middle pages of this pewsheet.

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### CHORAL EUCHARIST at 10.30 a.m.

Service from the Pink 'Choral Eucharist during Lent' booklet

**Music of the Mass:** *Missa puerorum* - Josef Rheinberger (1839–1901)

**Organ Prelude:**

**Hymns:**

**Readings:**

**The Sermon:**

**The Anthem:**

*Trio in F*, Josef Rheinberger (1839–1901)

From the *New English Hymnal*: 79, 82, 439, 307

Jeremiah 31.31-34; John 12.20-33

The Reverend Oliver Coss, *Rector*

*God so loved the world*, John Stainer (1840–1901)

*God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, should not perish but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.*

**Organ Postlude:**

*Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist*, BWV 671, J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

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**Today we pray for** All Saints' Church of England (VA) School, Kingsthorpe and their headteacher, Claire Dunstan.

**We pray for the sick and those in need, and among them:** Francesca, Jean, Kathleen, Aiden, Mary, Julie, Sally, Ivan, Greta, Rosemary, Johnny, Albert, Christopher, Christine, Matt, Kelechi, Bob, Elliot, Barbara, Jeff, Meg, Maria, Tom and Becky.

**We pray for the recently departed** Audrey, Mike, Denise, Diane, Sue, and David **and for those whose year's mind falls at this time** including Pam Halliwell and Roy Every.

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## This Week at All Saints ....

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**MONDAY 18<sup>TH</sup>**                      **12.30PM**   **Mass** (*Lady Chapel*)

**St. PATRICK, bishop, patron of Ireland**

*Today we pray for Northampton Town Council and Cllr Jane Birch; and Stuart Carter the Town Clerk.*

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**TUESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup>**                                      *No Mass today*

**St. Joseph of Nazareth, husband of the BVM**

*Today we pray for HM Lieutenancy of Northamptonshire, for the Lord Lieutenant James Saunders Watson, and the High Sheriff of Northamptonshire Milan Shah.*

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**WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup>**                      **12.30PM**   **Holy Communion** (*Lady Chapel*)

**St. Cuthbert of Lindisfarne, bishop**

**6.00PM**   **Choral Evensong**

Vaughan Williams in C

Archer R<sup>x</sup>.

Langlais, *Ave Maria*

Psalm 136

*Today we pray for West Northamptonshire Council, for the Chairman Cllr John Shepherd and Cllr Jonathan Nunn its Leader, and Anna Earnshaw (Chief Executive).*

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**THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup>**                                      *No Mass today*

**Thomas Cranmer, bishop & martyr**

**6.00PM**   **Choral Evensong**

Gibbons in F

Plainsong R<sup>x</sup>.

Tallis, *Glory to Thee*

Psalm 43

*Today we pray for Northampton HOPE Centre, and all who work among rough sleepers, the homeless, and the destitute of Northampton. For the Single Homelessness and Family Homelessness Forums.*

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**FRIDAY 22<sup>ND</sup>**                      **12.00PM**   **Stations of the Cross & Mass** (*Lady Chapel*)

*Today we pray for the University of Northampton and The Reverend Richard Coles the Chancellor; and Professor Anne-Marie Kilday, the Vice-Chancellor. For Stuart Mousir-Harrison (Anglican Chaplain).*

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**SATURDAY 23<sup>RD</sup>**                                      *Father Oliver's Rest Day*

*Today we pray for Emergency Services in Northamptonshire. For Nick Adderley, Chief Constable. Simon Tubill, Interim Chief Fire Officer. Stephen Mold, Police, Fire & Crime Commissioner.*

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**SUNDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MAR**                      **8.00AM**   **Holy Communion** (*BCP 1662*)

**PALM SUNDAY**                      **9.15 AM**   **Morning Prayer** (*Chancel*)

**10.30AM**   **Blessing of Palms, Procession & Choral Eucharist** (*Nave*)

Lassus, *St Mark Passion*

**Items for the Pewsheets must reach the Parish Office by Thursday.**

**Morning Prayer is celebrated each weekday at 9am in the Chancel.**

**Sign up to the e-newsletter** here: [http://eepurl.com/ds\\_68b](http://eepurl.com/ds_68b) and receive early news of forthcoming events, pictures of past events, and a summary of our parish activities

# Readings and Prayers for Today

## INTROIT

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

## COLLECT

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ hast delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## First Reading

Jeremiah 31.31-34

A reading from the prophecy of Jeremiah.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, ‘Know the LORD’, for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Here endeth the epistle.      *or*

This is the Word of the Lord  
**All    Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

John 12.20-33

The Lord be with you  
**All    And also with you.**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

*or*

The holy gospel is written in the twelfth chapter of the gospel according to St John, beginning at the twentieth verse.

**All    Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, ‘Sir, we wish to see Jesus.’ Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, ‘The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

‘Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—“Father, save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.’ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**All    Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

## **INTRODUCTION TO THE PEACE**

Once we were far off, but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ’s blood, for he is our peace.

### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Hear us, almighty God, and, having instilled in your servants the teachings of the Christian faith, graciously purify them by the working of this sacrifice. Through Christ our Lord.

### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Lord Jesus Christ, who hast taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for thee: give us the will to be the servant of others as thou wast the servant of all, who gavest up thy life and didst die for us, yet livest and reignest, now and for ever.

## **THE BLESSING**

Christ crucified draw you to himself, to find in him a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven; and the blessing...

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

AND CAN it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Saviour's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain—  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
    Amazing love! How can it be,  
    That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

2. 'Tis mystery all: th'Immortal dies:  
Who can explore His strange design?  
In vain the firstborn seraph tries  
To sound the depths of love divine.  
    'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,  
    Let angel minds inquire no more.

3. He left his Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite his grace—  
Emptied himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race.  
    'Tis mercy all, immense and free;  
    For, O my God, it found out me!

4. Long my imprisoned spirit lay,  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray—  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
    My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
    I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

5. No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
    Bold I approach th'eternal throne,  
    And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

*Words, Charles Wesley (1707-1788)*

# PARISH NOTICES

*Please keep handbags and personal belongings close to you, especially when receiving communion*



The **new code** for the **toilets** in the Narthex is C01685. Please remember to turn the handle to the left.



It is possible to receive communion with an **ultra-low gluten host**. Please speak to a sidesperson.

Traditionally, members of the congregation have helped sponsor the Paschal Candle and other essential sundries for **Holy Week and Easter**. This includes items such as flowers, incense, candles etc. We would be most grateful for any financial help to cover the costs this year. Please speak to the wardens if you are able to help. Thank you.

Sign up forms for the church's **electoral roll** are now at the back of church. Please fill one in and return to Barbara Waterfield our electoral roll officer if you wish to be included.

**Thank you to those** performing sidesmen's duties today, and ensuring all receive a warm welcome at the door and during worship, and to those who took part in **Coffee & Clean**. The next is on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 10am.

**Lunchtime Live** will return on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 13:10. On the organ stool will be Thomas Moore, Director of Music at St. Matthew's Church. Entrance is free. There will be a retiring collection in aid of the Friends of All Saints' Music.

Recently it hasn't been possible to maintain **livestreams of our Sunday worship**. We're seeking a volunteer who might be able to take this duty on. It would be good to maintain some consistency in what we're able to offer for those not able to worship physically with us. Please be in touch with Fr Oliver if you can help.

Welcome to All Saints' Church. Today is the **Fifth Sunday of Lent**. Now that we are past mid-Lent, our thoughts turn toward the coming feasts of our redemption --- Fliers detailing the times of our worship during **Holy Week and Easter** are available at the back of church (and tucked into this pewsheets). Please share them liberally with your fellow towns-folk.

**Please speak to God and not to each other before worship begins.** Please help us maintain an atmosphere of prayerful quiet as musicians rehearse & the church is made ready for worship.

There will be **free coffee and biscuits** available to the congregation after the 10.30 Choral Eucharist on the first Sunday of each month. Our thanks to the Bistro and our churchwardens for making this possible.

We celebrate the beautiful devotion of **Stations of the Cross** during Lent on Fridays at 12noon. Our normal schedule of worship will gradually resume over the coming weeks.

A sincere thank you **from Father Oliver** (who returns to duty today) to our churchwardens, staff, volunteers, visiting clergy and many others who have cared for All Saints so well and so diligently over the past weeks.

Our collections for **Castle Hill Church Foodbank** continue; thank you for your continuing generosity. They especially request children's cereals, long life milk, brown & white long grain rice and microwavable food (non-perishable). Thank you to Kim Zambo for transporting your donations.

The **Parochial Church Council** meets next on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm. **Deanery Synod** meets next on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024. As we prepared for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, we are revising the Electoral Roll. Application forms are available at the back of church.

## Ways to give to All Saints' Church

We hope that your visit to All Saints' has been enriching, and that in response to God's generous provision you'll be able to help support the mission and ministry of this place. Here are some of the ways you can give:

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<b>Cash, coins &amp; cheques</b>	Simply place your donation in one of the collection plates used during services, or in the wall safe in the Narthex by the main door.
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**If you're a UK tax-payer** we can claim 25% of the value of your donation from His Majesty's Government in GiftAid. Simply place your donation in one of the yellow gift envelopes marked 'All Saints' Church'. Please ensure you fill in all the boxes on the envelope, otherwise it'll make it difficult to fully process your donation.

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<b>Chip &amp; pin or Contactless</b>	You can donate to us using the Giving Station at the back of the Nave. Simply follow the steps on screen to select your amount, and use your contactless debit or credit card, or ApplePay or Google Pay compatible device to complete the transaction.
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**If you're a UK tax-payer** you can tell us through the Giving Station, and we'll be able to claim a further 25% of the value of your donation.

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<b>Direct Giving by Standing Order</b>	We're grateful for all donations, but if you'd like to make a regular donation you can complete a standing order form so that each week, month or year, your donation can be automatically processed by your bank. Please speak to a sidesperson, who will provide you with the relevant form and GiftAid declaration.
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<b>Giving via your mobile device</b>	If you'd like to give using your phone or tablet, just scan this QR code to be taken to our PayPal Giving Fund page. Your GiftAid can also be automatically processed via PayPal. There's also a link to our Giving Fund available on the front page of our Parish Website.
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