ALL SAINTS, EVESHAM

Weekly Newsletter with Readings and Notices for Sunday 1st November 2026
All Saints' Day

Services for Today		
8.00 am	**Holy Communion**	**President & Preacher:** Revd Mike Edwards
10.00 am	**Parish Communion** **Service book –** All Saints Day	**President**: Revd Peter Thomas **Preacher:** Revd Mike Edwards **Sides:** Amy Hall-Cook, David Hall **Readers:** Amy Hall-Cook, Rosie Grove **Intercessor:** Jayne Fleetwood **Coffee:** Rosie Grove, Chris Spriggs
6.00 pm	**All Souls' Service**	**Led by:** Lindsay Ladbrook **Preacher:** Revd Dr Prajna Pal-Lad

Hymn

For all the saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest.
Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness, still their one true light.
Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia!

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
we feebly struggle, they in glory shine:
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.
Alleluia!

And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long,
steals on the ear the distant triumph-song,
and hearts are brave again and arms are strong.

Alleluia!
The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest:
sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.
Alleluia!

But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array:
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia!

Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A reading from the book of Revelation

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat, for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them

to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.".

Revelation 7. 9-17

A reading from the first letter of John

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. *1 John 3. 1-3*

Gradual Hymn

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
come bow before him now
with reverence and fear:
in him no sin is found —
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned:
how awesome is the sight —
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place:
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he began to speak and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your

reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Matthew 5. 1-12

Offertory Hymn

Thanks be to God for his saints of each past generation,
one with us still in one body, one great congregation;
with them proclaim
Jesus for ever the same,
Author of life and salvation.

Thanks be to God for his blessings which daily surround us;
glory to Christ, the Redeemer who sought us and found us,
who from the grave
rose, the almighty to save,
breaking the fetters that bound us.

Thanks be to God for the years that are yet in his keeping,
trusting each day to the care of a Father unsleeping,
on to the end,
Christ our companion and friend,
joy at the last for our weeping.

Thanks be to God who has called us and daily defends us,
who with the Son and the Spirit unchanging befriends us;
now in that name,
Jesus for ever the same,
forth to his service he sends us.

Hymn

All heaven declares the glory of the risen Lord.
Who can compare with the beauty of the Lord?
Forever he will be the Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee and worship him alone.

I will proclaim the glory of the risen Lord,
who once was slain to reconcile the world to God.
Forever you will be the Lamb upon the throne;
I gladly bow the knee and worship you alone.

Post Communion Prayer

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Hymn

Forth in the peace of Christ we go;
Christ to the world with joy we bring;
Christ in our minds, Christ on our lips,
Christ in our hearts, the world's true King.

King of our hearts, Christ makes us kings;
Kingship with him his servants gain;
With Christ, the Servant-Lord of all,
Christ's world we serve to share
Christ's reign.

Priests of the world, Christ sends forth
This world of time to consecrate,
This world of sin by grace to heal,
Christ's world in Christ to re-create.

Christ's are our lips, his word we speak;
Prophets are we whose deeds proclaim
Christ's truth in love, that we may be
Christ in the world, to spread Christ's name.

We are the Church, Christ bids us show
That in his church all nations find
Their hearth and home, where Christ restores
True peace, true love, to all mankind.

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Weekly Intercessions

for week beginning Sunday 1st November 2026

Those who are sick, particularly this week we mention:
Pippa Hodges, Ann Linehan, Maureen Linehan, Marjorie Testar, Morris Hall, Stan Brotherton, Paul Lloyd, Terry Wright, Michael Pick, Janwynne.

Those who have recently died:
Shirley Lynch, Simon Elliott

Year's Mind: Peter Lambert, Vera Gardiner, Lynne Jakeman, Keith Reader, Peggy Linehan, Stella Hale, Irene Freeman, Alan Hodgkins, Ruby Dingley

Notices

Remembrance Sunday
Next Sunday (8th November) there is no 8am service in All Saints. The **Parish Communion will be at 9.00am** to allow time to prepare for the Remembrance Service which starts at 10.50 at the War Memorial and processes into **All Saints**.

St Andrew's Church has Communion services at 8.00 am and 10.00 am on 8th November.

Children's Society Boxes
Please can you return your boxes to the Church Office by Friday 20th November. Any queries, please speak to Betty Ballard. Thank you.

Street Pastors Thanksgiving service
Evesham Street Pastors are pleased to invite you a service of Thanksgiving which will be held at the Vale of Evesham Community Church, off Waitrose car park, Merstow Green, Evesham, on **Saturday 7th November 2026 at 7.30 p.m.**
Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served following the service; to help with catering, please let us know if you are able to attend: contact Karen Shakespeare by email: admin.evesham@streetpastors.org.uk or by phone/text to 07760 87136

Sunday 29th November, 3.00 pm St Andrew's Church, Hampton
Mike's second licensing service, this time as Priest in Charge, will be held at St Andrew's Church in Hampton on 29th November at 3.00 pm. More details to follow.

Ladies meal
Pre-Christmas meal at the new Italian (was Casa) on Wednesday 2nd December at 7pm. Please let me know if you would like to go. *Sara*

News from Morogoro
Sara and John had good journey to Morogoro. Looks like John has been sharing his dance moves!

Services and Events for the week ahead

Monday 2nd November 2026

9.15 am Morning Prayer in St Andrew's, Hampton
Led by Revd Mike Edwards
10.00 am Contemplative Worship in All Saints,
led by Revd Dr Prajna Pal-Lad

Tuesday 3rd November

9.00 am St Andrews TOTS at Hampton Scout Hut.
9.15 am Morning Prayer in All Saints,
Led by Revd Mike Edwards
10.00 am Children's & Young Families Worker meeting at St Andrew's

Wednesday 4th November

9.15 am Morning Prayer in St Andrew's,
Led by Revd Patrick Wooster
9.30 am Stay and Play in All Saints
10.00 am Yellow Scarf in Church House
10.00 am Holy Communion in St Andrew's.
President & Preacher: Revd Patrick Wooster
11.00 am Holy Communion, Greenhill Park Care Home.
President: Revd Caroline Green

Thursday 5th November

9.15 am Morning Prayer in All Saints,
Led by Lindsay Ladbrook
10.00 am Service of the Word in All Saints,
Led by Lindsay Ladbrook, followed by tea/coffee.
5.00 pm Yellow Scarf in Church House

Friday 6th November

2.00 pm Tea Service in All Saints

Saturday 7th November

7.00 pm High Peak Big Band Concert *organised by the Red Lion*, in All Saints

For Sunday see next page

Services & Events for Sunday 8th November

8.00 am Holy Communion in St Andrew's
President: Revd Patrick Wooster

9.00 am Parish Eucharist in All Saints
President & Preacher: Revd Caroline Green
Sides: Pam Osborne, Jim Osborne.
Readers: Pam Osborne, Jim Osborne
Intercessor: Lindsay Ladbrook

10.00 am Parish Eucharist in St Andrews
President: Revd Patrick Wooster,
Preacher: Guy Barnard

11.00 am Remembrance Service at the War Memorial and All Saints
President: Revd Mike Edwards
Preacher: Julie Westlake

2.00 pm Burial of Richard Higgs' ashes in Evesham Churchyard, led by Revd Dr Prajna Pal-Lad

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