



## **MONTHLY NOTICES**

**MARCH 2025**

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### **SUNDAY SERVICES**

#### **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

**9.30am** – Café Church in the Church Hall

**11am** – Holy Communion, with refreshments in the Hall from 10.30am

*2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2 and Luke 9:28-43a*

#### **Ash Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

1.30pm - Holy Communion Service

#### **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March**

**8am** – Holy Communion BCP

**9.30am** – Café Church in the Church Hall

**11am** – Holy Communion with refreshments in the Hall from 10.30am

*Romans 10:8b-13 and Luke 4:1-13*

#### **Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

**9.30am** - Café Church in the Church Hall

**11am** – Holy Communion with refreshments in the Hall from 10.30am

*Philippians 3:17-4:1 and Luke 13:31-end*

#### **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

**8am** – Holy Communion BCP

**9.30am** – Café Church with Communion in the Church Hall

**11am** – Holy Communion with refreshments in the Hall from 10.30am

*1 Corinthians 10:1-13 and Luke 13:1-9*

#### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Mothering Sunday**

**9.30am** – Café Church in the Church Hall

**11am** – Holy Communion with refreshments in the Hall from 10.30am

*2 Corinthians 1:3-7 and John 19:25b-27*

#### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April**

**9.30am** - Dale's Last Sunday – Café Church in the Church Hall

**11am** - Holy Communion with refreshments in the Hall from 10.30am

## **Lent 2025**

Lent is on the way, starting 5th March! Lent is a time to say "no" to our sins, to simplify our practice, and to seek the presence of God in our daily lives and in each other.

**Lent Devotional booklets** This Lent we're taking a journey together through the daily Lent devotional *Living Hope*, created for 2025 by the Church of England. Please take a *Living Hope* booklet from the back of church. Or you can access the same material on the *Everyday Faith* app, which you can download on your phone. *Living Hope* offers a short devotion for every day in Lent, which we'll all journey through together.

**Sundays** Church on Sundays will look a little different over Lent. At 11am we'll have Holy Communion each week, and at 9.30am we'll be gathering in the hall for Café Church each week.

### **Good Friday**

**1pm** – Prayer Adventure up the Chine for children and families

**1.30pm** - Stations of the Cross in Church

**2.30pm** – Good Friday traditional service in Church

### **Easter Sunday**

**10.30am** – Easter Sunday worship for everyone

## **Lent Groups 2025**

As well as praying through *Living Hope* by ourselves each day, each week there will be opportunities to meet as groups. This year our Lent Groups will meet out and about in different places and at different times through the week, and hopefully there'll be something for everyone. Please do your best to commit to one group for Lent. You don't need to sign up, just come along!

### **Monday Musings**

Where: Compton Acres Café

When: Mondays 2.30 – 3.30pm beginning 10th March

Leaders: Barri and Eddie Newcomb

*Take an hour out to share reflections as we journey together through Lent, seeking to help each other to deepen our faith and to encourage hope. Do join us for a relaxed discussion over a cuppa. It would be lovely to see you there!*

### **All Saints pre-Jazz Group**

Where: Inn in the Park

When: Mondays 7-8pm beginning 10<sup>th</sup> March

Leaders: Paul and Ginny Weston

*A chance for relaxed conversation over a drink and reflection around our Lent theme of 'Living Hope'. The pub hosts Jazz music every Monday night from 8pm for those who would like to stay on.*

### **Wednesday Clifftop Prayer**

Where: Pinecliff Gardens (walk along the cliff from the Library car park)

When: Wednesdays 9.15 – 9.45am beginning 5<sup>th</sup> March

Leader: Luke

*Our regular Wednesday prayer meeting is going into the wild!*

### **A Six Week Journey into Contemplative Prayer**

Where: the Church building

When: Wednesdays 10.30 – 12pm beginning 12<sup>th</sup> March

Leaders: Kate Edwards and Howard Cunningham-Smith

*A time to deepen our relationship with God through stillness, silence and simple prayer.*

### **Play-and-Pray-Date at the Pirate Park**

Where: Canford Cliffs Pirate Ship Play Park

When: Saturdays 10 – 10.30am beginning 8<sup>th</sup> March

Leaders: Luke and Katie Steven

*Children and young families are welcome to join us for delicious coffee and home-made treats in the park. We will pray to God, have fun and make friends.*

*(If the weather is really bad we will decamp to the Canford Cliffs Library).*

## Electoral Roll

Dear Friends,

### **All Saints' Electoral Roll (ER) 2025**

We have received formal notification from the national Church that we, together with all churches in the UK, must conduct a complete review of our Electoral Roll (ER). This happens every six years.

Although we updated our ER only last year the rules dictate we have to start afresh and do so before our Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) which will be held in mid-May this year.

**What do you need to do?** If you are aged 16 or over and have been coming to All Saints' for six months and wish to be on the All Saints' ER you need to complete an application form and post it in the green box in the church porch **before 20<sup>th</sup> April**.

**N.B. This applies even if your name is already on the existing ER which will be destroyed.**

**Forms are available in church or from the office.**

**What does being enrolled involve?** Think of the ER as a register. There are no financial implications. Being on the ER will entitle you to vote at the APCM or hold an office e.g. membership of the Parochial Church Council (PCC). However, having an ER is a legal requirement for us and all churches.

**Are my details safe?** All details (data/information) on the ER are subject to strict Data Protection Rules overseen by the All Saints' Data Protection Officer.

**Questions.** If anyone has any questions, please refer them to our Electoral Roll Officer (ERO) Tom Tobin or to Revd Luke.

Thank you  
Tom Tobin, Electoral Roll Officer



### **Leaving Gift for Dale**

We would love to give Dale and his family a gift as he moves on from his role as our Children and Families Pastor.

If you would like to make a financial contribution, then please drop it into to the office or via bank transfer.

HSBC account number 01622005 sort code 40-46-11.

Please add reference **Dale**.

### **Future Dates for Your Diary**

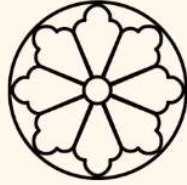
**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May** – APCM in the Church Hall at 6.30pm

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May** – Newcomers Drinks and nibbles from 6pm at 12 Western Avenue



**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June** – Blessed are the Carers service at 1.30pm followed by Tea Party in the Church hall

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June** – All Saints' Summer Fete



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH  
BRANKSOME PARK



PANCAKES

**AND**

**BOUNCY  
CASTLE**

**SHROVE TUESDAY  
4TH MARCH 3-5PM AT THE CHURCH**

### **Ash Wednesday**

Join us in Church at **1.30pm** on  
**Ash Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**  
for a special Holy Communion Service.



### **Quiz Night**

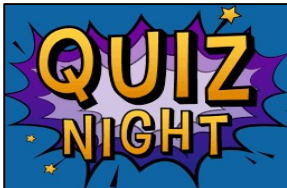
Come along for an evening of fun and quizzing  
in the **Church Hall** on

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April - 6pm for a 6.30pm start**

Teams of up to ten or just come along on the night  
and join a team. Bring your own nibbles and drinks.

**Free entry** but donations for

**Beautiful Gate Orphanage, Lesotho**



### **Bereavement Support Group**

Join us for soup and cake and a friendly atmosphere.

This is an open and welcoming group for anyone  
who has been bereaved in the past or more recently.

In the **Church Hall** on the first Wednesday of  
every month. The next one will be on

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm – 4pm**



## **Slow Strollers Walks**

### **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

Longham Lakes with lunch at  
The Bridge House Hotel.  
Meet at Church at **11am**



### **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

Rhinefield Ornamental Drive, New Forest  
with lunch at the Cat and Fiddle.  
Meet at Church at **11am**.

**A schedule of walks for 2025 is available in the  
Church porch.**



## **Stepping Stones Walks**

### **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March**

Upton Country Park to RNLI for lunch  
and coffee on return. 4 miles, easy, flat.  
Meet at Church at **10am**.

### **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

Somerford to Mudeford for coffee and  
return for lunch at Beefeater. 4.5 miles, flat.  
Meet at Church at **9.30am**.

**A schedule of walks for 2025 is available in the  
Church porch.**

## **All Saints' Tea Party**

in the Church Hall on

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm**

All are welcome to come along and enjoy  
fellowship, tea, coffee, sandwiches and cakes.







## **The Real Easter Eggs**

To order eggs please sign up on the sheet in the church porch or ring the church office on 01202 701822.

All eggs are Fairtrade, contain an Easter story activity book and are plastic free.

More details in the porch.

Please **order by Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March.**

Cash on collection.

Thanks, Sarah Smales

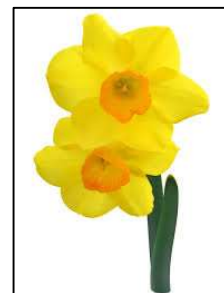
## **Mothering Sunday Flowers**

Mothering Sunday is 30th March.

As with prior years the flower arranging team will be providing small bunches of daffodils to the congregation. We will prepare the bunches on

**Saturday 29th March at 10am**

in the **church hall** and we would **welcome some helpers.**



Any questions please call Judith Glover 07799620198.

Please **send Judith a text** if you want to join us so we know numbers.



## **Faith and Fellowship**

The next meeting will be on

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March**

**10.30am to 12.00pm.**

At the home of Kate and Johnty Edwards,

**12 Western Avenue.**

All are welcome for cake, conversations and fellowship!



## Youth Gathering

**every Monday night 6pm – 7.30pm**

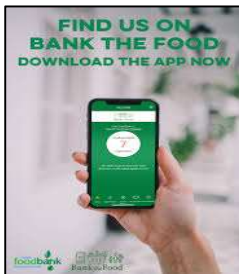
For ages 13-18 – a time of gathering, chatting and working out life and following Jesus.

For details, please contact Dale

[dale.edy@allsaintsbranksome.org](mailto:dale.edy@allsaintsbranksome.org)

## Poole Foodbank

Just a reminder that we have a **box in our Church porch.**



**Please pick up a couple of items with your weekly shop and bring them along to church on a Sunday or any morning during the week.**

Any items you can give would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.



If you would like to see which items they require urgently each week, you can **download the “Bank the Food”** app.

## Knit & Natter

Knit & Natter is in the Church Hall on **Fridays between 2.30pm and 4.30pm**

All are welcome!



## Teddies Baby and Toddler Group

**Every Monday (term-time)**

**in the Church Hall**

**between 2pm and 3.30pm**



Calling all mums, dads, grandparents and carers of babies and pre-schoolers! Come along for a fun time of free play, tea & coffee and great company.

## **Prayer Requests**

Gary Hiscock (Libushka's husband) Joyce Firkin,  
Sue Thomas and Jennifer Simpkin.

We pray for the bereaved family and friends of  
Pat Cherry, Edna Higley and Shirley Hughes.

## **Office Contact Details**

The general office email address is [office@allsaintsbranksome.org](mailto:office@allsaintsbranksome.org)

Our Safeguarding Officer is Tom Tobin

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Luke, our Vicar's email address is [luke.steven@allsaintsbranksome.org](mailto:luke.steven@allsaintsbranksome.org)

Our Families Pastor, Dale's email address is

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The website address is [www.allsaintsbranksome.org](http://www.allsaintsbranksome.org)

For **urgent prayer requests**

contact the Office on 01202 701822 or email

**3<sup>rd</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> March** - Caroline Nicholson on [cbn.seaside@gmail.com](mailto:cbn.seaside@gmail.com)

otherwise

Suzie Myatt on [doversole@aol.com](mailto:doversole@aol.com)

to activate the **prayer chain**.