



All Saints Church
Grayswood

For God, for one another, for the world

Growing in faith, hope and love

Sunday 18th October 2026
20th Sunday after Trinity

10 am Parish Communion

President: Rev FI Gwynn

Collect: God our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives that we may see your goodness in the land of the living and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings: 1 Thess 1. 1-10 (Daphne)
Matt 22.15-22 (Trish)
Talk: Jane White
Intercessions: Jackie
Chalice Bearer: Jackie
Sidespersons: Jackie and Trish

Sunday 25th October 2026
21st Sunday after Trinity

(Clocks go back one hour)

8 am Holy Communion (BCP)
10 am 4th Sunday Service

President: Rev Chris Bessant

Collect: Merciful God, teach us to be faithful in change and uncertainty, that trusting in your word and obeying your will we may enter the unfailing joy of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Readings: 1 Thess 1. 2. 1-8 (Daphne)
Matt 22. 34-46 (Allen)
Sermon: Rev Chris Bessant
Intercessions: Pippa
Psalm: 1
Sidespersons: Jackie and Allen

Join us for good coffee and biscuits in the Village Hall after our services

Sunday 1st November:
10 am: Parish Communion for All Saints Day
Monday 2nd November
4pm: Annual Memorial Service at 7.30 pm

Church open daily from 9.30 to 4 (ish!)
allsaintsgrayswood.org

Morning Prayer

join us for a short service with a time of reflection and intercession on Wednesdays from 9-9.30



NOTICES
Please turn off mobile phones during the service



Office will be closed on 22nd October

Mary's Ministry Trip – on 23rd October, Mary Gorniak will be going on a 10-day Christian Mission trip to western Ukraine via Poland. She will be part of a small Life Chaplain Team ministering at a retreat for schoolteachers and Christian workers, where she will play her flute as a ministry, and help guide participants through a program of trauma relief material. Following this, they will run a 2-day seminar for army chaplains. In all ways the team will seek to encourage and strengthen these vital people who are experiencing the ravages of war daily. To give towards Mary's expenses for travel, and gifts and blessings for the Ukrainian participants, please donate through the church website or via the QR code. Thank you to those who have already donated



Marys' QR code

Annual Memorial Service – 2nd Nov at 7.30 pm

A service of thanksgiving, which provides an opportunity to remember loved ones who have died. During the service, names of those who have died during the year are read aloud during a time of prayer, and members of the congregation are invited to go to the front of church to light a candle for each of those named aloud or remembered silently. If you would like a name added to the list, whether the person died recently or a long time ago, please message Sarah in the Office

Next Bereavement Café is 28th October (last Wednesday of each month) 10 am to 12 noon in Grayswood Club

Home Group continues on **Tuesdays at 7.30pm**
Contact Pippa pippahollins1@gmail.com

In October, we pray for:

Our Church: The Anglican Church of Canada and The Church of the Province of Central Africa
Our quarterly mission: Hunter Centre
Our village: those who live in Lower Road, Park Close and Ash Tree Close
Individuals in particular need: Fiona T, Anthea, Helen V, Wally C, those caring for others, those known to us, and only to God.

Anniversaries in October:

Baptism: Benjamin B
Marriages: Amy & Ben, Allan & Sarah
Deaths: Jean Burgess, Jonquil (Mary) Giles, Mary Holthouse, Janet Boxell

Quiz Night run by Friends of All Saints is back on 21 November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, £10 per person. Gather a team of 6-8 people and join us there. Contact Pauline Lamb at pjlamb4@gmail.com for tickets. See poster for more details.

Book launch and folk concert- Haslemere based Christian author Robert Noble celebrates the release of his new book 'Embracing Faith With Enthusiasm'. Saturday 31st October at the Haslemere Methodist Church, 10am-1pm. Visit www.enthusiastic.me for details and free tickets.

Duke of Edinburgh Award Volunteering/Skills Opportunity: We're looking for someone to come and help out with the AV system on Sunday morning – training and support provided – an hour or so a week for 3, 6, 9 or 12 months. Speak to Fi or Jackie

Lunchtime Live! Concert on Thurs 26th November from 1.10 – 2pm at Portsmouth Cathedral featuring our very own **Scarlett**. The final recital in the autumn series 2026 is given by organist Scarlett Martin, who has been awarded a Creative Oundle for Organists Recital Award. This recital, including works by Bach, Mendelssohn and Boellman, will be in St Thomas's Chapel. Free entry with a retiring collection. By Portsmouth Cathedral music events.

Baby Cardigans – it has been the custom in Grayswood to present each new arrival with a handmade cardigan, but we are running low on stock. Could you knit or crochet a white cardigan? Ask Sarah in the office for more details.

Used Stamps – Thank you to all those who collected used stamps for Sarah's Brownies - we've just sent another bundle off to the RNIB but would welcome more donations to send off after Christmas.

Are you struggling with food or finances?

Do you need a Food Bank voucher? Please send an email to revfigwynn@gmail.com or call 07769 856343 which will be treated in strictest confidence. We are here to help so please don't suffer in silence.

One off giving: Donate quickly and simply using the QR code or card reader or place your cash/cheque on the wooden collection plate.



Please Gift Aid if you can (For cash donations please complete a yellow envelope).

Parish Giving Scheme: Would you consider giving regularly to the church by Direct Debit. Follow the link from our website or ask David H for more info.

Joining our Sunday Services on zoom
Meeting ID: 872 4511 0792 | Passcode: 1902

Vacancy Updates

AD Catharine Mabuza visited us last week and answered questions on the process of appointing a new House for Duty Priest in Grayswood.

Do pick up a leaflet from the back of church or visit <https://allsaintsgrayswood.org/vacancy/>

Vacancy Vision Workshop 24th October 2026 from 9.30 for about 2 ½ hours in the Village Club

Prayers

Fi isn't moving away so will still very much be a part of village life. Please pray for her as she discerns the next steps in her ministry journey.

Please also be faithful in praying for the church during the time of vacancy. Please remember Chris and the Churchwardens, the vacancy leadership team, those working on the parish profile, and all who have additional responsibility during this time. Please also pray that God will call the right person to be your new House for Duty priest and for wisdom in discerning this.

God our Father You have welcomed each one of us in Jesus and called us to be his body in this place; Send us your Holy Spirit, at this time of uncertainty and change, to fill us with vision, energy, and faithfulness in prayer, that we may be true to our calling to bring new life to our community; And guide with your heavenly wisdom those who are to choose a new House for Duty Priest for All Saints Grayswood, that the one who we receive may be a wise and gentle shepherd of your people: ready to serve us with joy, to build us up in faith, and to lead us by example in loving obedience to your son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

"Did I offer peace today? Did I bring a smile to someone's face? Did I say words of healing? Did I let go of my anger and resentment? Did I forgive? Did I love? These are the real questions. I must trust that the little bit of love that I sow now will bear many fruits, here in this world and the life to come." Henri J M Nouwen

Save the Date

Christmas Fayre – Saturday 5th December

Are you having an autumn tidy up?

Please keep your unwanted gifts, toys, books (no bric-a-brac) for the Fayre

And planning ahead we would love bowls for bulbs (or even potted up bulbs!), plants, cakes and bottle tombola prizes

Thank you

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