

Sunday 16th November 2025 The Third Sunday of the Kingdom

Heavenly Father, your blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; grant this for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Malachi (4.1-2a)

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 98

- 1 Sing to the Lord a / new / song: for he / has done / marvellous / things.
- 2 His own right hand and his / holy / arm: have / won for / him the / victory.**
- 3 The Lord has made known / his sal/vation: his deliverance has he openly shown / in the / sight of the / nations.
- 4 He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness towards the / house of / Israel: and all the ends of the earth have seen the sal/vation / of our / God.**
- 5 Sound praises to the Lord, / all the / earth: break into / singing / and make / music.
- 6 Make music to the Lord / with the / lyre: with the lyre / and the / voice of / melody.**
- 7 With trumpets and the / sound of the / horn: sound praises be/fore the / Lord, the / King.
- 8 Let the sea thunder and / all that / fills it: the world and / all that / dwell up/on it.**
- 9 Let the rivers / clap their / hands: and let the hills ring out together before the Lord, for he / comes to / judge the / earth.
- 10 In righteousness shall he / judge the / world: and the / peo/ples with / equity.**

A reading from 2 Thessalonians (3.6-13)

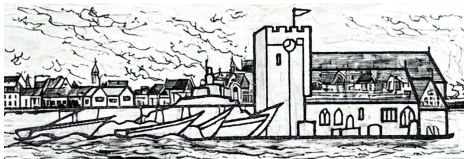
Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labour we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Luke 21.5-19
Glory to you, O Lord.

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, he said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them. When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. 'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. 'You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**



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SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

HYMNS AT OUR CHORAL EUCHARIST : 285 , 522 , 39 , 172

TODAY	8.30 am	Holy Eucharist (All Saints)
	10.00 am	Choral Eucharist - followed by tea / coffee
	11.30 am	Sung Eucharist at Norton
	4.00 pm	Swansea Bach Choir Concert in All Saints 'Songs of Peace' - see poster for details.
TUESDAY	10.00 am	Diocesan Clergy Synod Day in Fforestfach
	10.30 am	Sgwrs a Choffi (Chat and coffee) - in All Saints - Croeso i bawb - all very welcome
	2.00 pm	Coffee and craft in Norton Church - all welcome
WEDNESDAY	10.30 am	Holy Eucharist followed by refreshments
	2.00pm	Bible study/prayer group (church rooms)
	5.00 pm	Shanty Kids in LCR - all children welcome
	7.00 pm	Choir Practice (All Saints) - all welcome
THURSDAY	10.30 am	Coffee and Chat in Norton Church - all welcome
	1.30 pm	Church and Grounds working group in All Saints - all help very welcome and needed !
SATURDAY	10.30 am	Marie Curie Coffee Morning in Norton Church - all welcome.
NEXT SUNDAY		23rd November 2025 - Christ the King
	8.30 am	Holy Eucharist (All Saints)
	10.00 am	Choral Eucharist (followed by tea / coffee) Followed by Church Committee meeting at about 11.45 - all very welcome to stay.

**Pastoral Visiting : Please do keep me informed of anyone in need of
visiting at home or in hospital.**

Marie Curie Coffee morning : in Norton Church on **NEXT Saturday at 10.30 a.m.**

Worcester Trip : please let Sue know where you are getting on the bus. **The bus** will leave All Saints at 8.30 a.m. . **Four spaces have become available on the bus please let us know if you or anyone you know would like to join us.**

RNLI Coffee Morning : thank you to all who were able to support this yesterday.

Church committee Meeting : will follow our 10 a.m. service (**starting about 11.45**). **NEXT Sunday.** Do try and stay for this meeting as we share what has been going on 'behind the scenes' and bring you up to date with some future plans.

Funeral / Memorial Service : for David Silvey will take place in All Saints on Friday 28th November at 3.30 p.m. All wishing to do so are welcome to attend.

Christmas Craft worship for children : Saturday 20th December 10 a.m. to midday. If you can give a hand please let Liz Brent know. ***We will be putting the Christingles together at the same time in the UCR if you can help.***

Advent Sunday : 30th November: an Advent service will take place at 4 p.m. called 'From Darkness into light'. Do try and join us.,

Swansea Philharmonic Choir Concert : in All Saints on **Saturday 6th December at 6 p.m.** Please see posters for details and ticket information.

Advent Service 'From Darkness into Light' : 30th November at 4 p.m. Do try and come along. A reflective service of hymns, readings and anthems.

Men's Society Christmas Lunch : Friday 5th December at 12.30 in the BCYC. Do let Dorian know if you can come as soon as possible. . .

Carols in Remembrance : Sunday 7th December at 4 p.m. in All Saints.. all are welcome. There will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of loved ones.

Maggie's Christmas Concert : with the Gwalia Singers and Pontardulais town band in All Saints on Thursday 11th December at 7 p.m. See posters for details / tickets.

Christmas celebration concert : Chamber orchestra : In All Saints on Saturday 13th December at 7 pm. See posters for details. Tickets include refreshments and a welcome drink. **Please see Anne Neumann for tickets.**

RNLI Community Carol Service : Sunday 14th December at 4 p.m. - one not to miss.

Christingle and Nativity Service : Sunday 21st December at 3 p.m. in All Saints. We need help from youngsters (or not so young !) dressed in nativity costumes to help us share the Christmas story. Please share with any families you know.