



ALL SAINTS CHURCH , OYSTERMOUTH AND NORTON MISSION CHURCH



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Sunday 2nd August 2026 ~ TRINITY 9

Welcome to our worship today

A special warm welcome to all visiting our community.

HYMNS AT OUR CHORAL EUCHARIST : 188 , 295 , 289 , 270

TODAY	8.30 am	Holy Eucharist (Book of common prayer)
	10.00 am	Choral Eucharist (followed by tea / coffee)
	11.30 am	Sung Eucharist at Norton church.
MONDAY	2.00 pm	Shantyjacks 'walk in' sea Shanty singalong in the Lower church rooms. Each Monday until 17th August. All welcome.
TUESDAY	11.45 am	Funeral of Mary Richards in All Saints
WEDNESDAY	10.30 am	Holy Eucharist followed by refreshments
THURSDAY	1.30 pm	Church and grounds working party (Warriors) All volunteers very welcome !
SATURDAY	12.00 pm	Wedding blessing in All Saints
NEXT SUNDAY		9th August 2026 - Trinity 10
	8.30 am	Holy Eucharist (Book of common prayer)
	10.00 am	Choral Eucharist (followed by tea / coffee)

Pastoral Visiting : please let me know of those in need of visits / contact at home or in care homes / hospital. *If you wish anyone to be prayed for by name during our services please add their name to the list at the back of church.*

Summer Break: please note that most church groups are taking a few weeks break for the summer. We will let you know when they resume. Thank you to all who run our various activities - enjoy the rest.

Holiday Season : a number of our church family are now taking their summer holidays. May I wish you all a very relaxing and refreshing break. We also welcome to our services those who are visiting our community for their holidays. **If you cannot make it to your 'usual' services do try and join us at one of the other services taking place.**

Ladies' Fellowship Group : will meet on **Monday 10th August at 11 a.m.** in the Upper church room for a coffee and catch up. All are very welcome. This will be a social time together without a formal speaker. Do come along.

River Tawe Trip : due to low water levels in the river the trip was unable to take place last week and is now re-arranged for **Monday 10th August at 4 p.m.** If there are any changes to your booking please let Dorian know as soon as you can.

Confirmation : the application forms for anyone wishing to be confirmed in October are now at the back of church. Please fill out details and return to the wardens or the vicar.

Cirencester Shopping Trip : Saturday 28th November - leaving Mumbles about 8.30 a.m. Please sign the list to say if you would interested in joining us. The cost will be £30 per head. If there is enough interest (we are not too far short !) we will take firm bookings.

Friends of Brecon Cathedral : are inviting anyone who wishes to go , to meet at Llandaff Cathedral on Saturday 19th September at 11 a.m. to have time with the Friends of Llandaff Cathedral. There are restaurant nearby if any wishes to book a meal following this time together. There is no booking list and you will need to make your own arrangements for transport.

Church Committees : we will soon be fixing the dates for the new church committees to meet as we look at various aspects of church life. If there is an area you would like to be involved with (e.g. mission and outreach , work with young people , buildings and grounds) please add your name to the list at the back of church. **All ideas and all help is needed and we work together as a church family in our shared mission.**

A Prayer for our church and community : Heavenly Father, We thank you for All Saints Church and Norton Church, and for the privilege of serving you together. Bless our shared mission, that we may be faithful in worship, joyful in service, and welcoming to all who come among us. We pray for the community of Mumbles and the surrounding area. Be with those who are lonely, sick or struggling, and strengthen all who work for the good of others. We remember especially the many holidaymakers and visitors enjoying our beautiful coastline. Grant them safety in their travels, refreshment in their rest, and a warm welcome in our churches. We pray too for the RNLI, the Coastguard, and all who watch over those at sea. May we all grow in faith, hope and love, and reflect the light of Christ in our words and actions. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, you sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A reading from Genesis (32.22-31)

The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, 'Let me go, for the day is breaking.' But Jacob said, 'I will not let you go, unless you bless me.' So he said to him, 'What is your name?' And he said, 'Jacob.' Then the man said, 'You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed.' Then Jacob asked him, 'Please tell me your name.' But he said, 'Why is it that you ask my name?' And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, 'For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.' The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

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

Psalms 17. 1-7 , 15

1 Hear my just cause, O Lord; consider / my com/plaint: listen to my prayer, which comes / not from / lying / lips.
2 Let my vindication come / forth from your / presence: let your eyes be/hold / what is / right.
3 Weigh my heart, examine / me by / night: refine me, and you will find / no im/purity / in me.
4 My mouth does not trespass for / earthly re/wards: I have / heeded the / words • of your / lips.
5 My footsteps hold fast in the ways of / your com/mandments: my feet have not / stumbled / in your / paths.
6 I call upon you, O God, for / you will / answer me: incline your ear to me, and / listen / to my / words.
7 Show me your marvellous / loving/kindness: O Saviour of those who take refuge at your right hand from / those who / rise up a/gainst them.
15 As for me, I shall see your / face in / righteousness: when I awake and behold your / likeness, / I shall be / satisfied.

A reading from Romans (9.1-5)

I am speaking the truth in Christ — I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit — I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

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

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Matthew 14.13-21
Glory to you, O Lord.

Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.' Jesus said to them, 'They need not go away; you give them something to eat.' They replied, 'We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.' And he said, 'Bring them here to me.' Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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

Holy Father, you gathered us here around the table of your Son to share this meal with the whole household of God: in that new world where you reveal the fullness of your peace, gather people of every race and language to share in the eternal banquet of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**