ALL SAINTS CHURCH , OYSTERMOUTH AND NORTON MISSION CHURCH



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Sunday 8th November 2026 -Kingdom 2
Remembrance Sunday
Welcome to our worship today

TODAY	**8.30 am**	**Holy Eucharist (Book of common prayer)**
	10.00 am	**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE followed by an act of Remembrance in Southend Gardens at 10.55 a.m.**
	4.00 pm	**Violin and Piano Recital in All Saints - see posters for details**
MONDAY	11.00 am	Ladies Fellowship group in the upper church Room - all welcome
TUESDAY	10.30 am	Sgwrs a Choffi (Chat and coffee) - in the back of All Saints - Croeso i bawb - all welcome.
	2.00 pm	Norton Crafternoon. All welcome to come enjoy an afternoon of Crafts and fellowship in Norton Church.
WEDNESDAY	**10.30 am**	**Holy Eucharist** followed by refreshments
	2.00 pm	Bible Study / Prayer Group in the UCR. All very welcome
	7.00 pm	Choir Practice in All Saints - you would be very welcome to join the choir.
THURSDAY	9.15 am	Norton Village Hall association meeting
	10.30 am	Coffee and Chat in Norton Church. All welcome.
	1.30 pm	Church and grounds working party (Warriors) **All volunteers very welcome !**
NEXT SUNDAY		**15th November - Kingdom 3 Safeguarding Sunday**
	8.30 am	Holy Eucharist in All Saints using the Book of Common Prayer
	10.00 am	Choral Eucharist in All Saints followed by refreshments
	11.30 am	Sung Eucharist in Norton Church
	4.00 pm	Ministry Area Healing Service in Clyne Chapel

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.

Wrap Up ! - the National Winter coat collection scheme is running until 16th November. All Saints is a collection point for good quality and clean warm winter coats you no longer require - You will find the box in the porch.

Christmas Raffle : If you wish to buy tickets or can help sell any please speak to our wardens. The draw will take place following the mid-week service on the first Wednesday in December.

Advent Service 'From Darkness into Light': Sunday 29th November at 4 p.m. in All Saints. Hymns , readings and anytime as we start the Advent season. **Leaflets with some of our Advent and Christmas service leaflets are now available.** Please take copies and share with family and friends.

Swansea Chamber Orchestra concert : Saturday 21st November at 7 p.m. in All Saints. See posters for details.

Maggies Christmas Concert : with the Gwalia Singers and Pontardulais Town Band. Thursday 3rd December at 7 p.m. in All Saints.

Children and Young People : we are going to hold an initial meeting for those interested in helping us develop our work with Children and young people. The meeting will be **Wednesday 18th November at 5.45 pm. in the UCR** It will last about an hour so we can finish before Choir practice. Do come along if you have ideas to share or wish to offer help.

Violin and Piano Recital : TODAY at 4 p.m. in All Saints given by Christopher Horner and Peter O'Hagan. Tickets *(pay on the door)* £15 (£12 concessions). See posters for details**.**

Good for the Soul Singers : concert in All Saints on Friday 20th November at 7 p.m.

Cirencester Trip : can you please let Sue know where you will be joining the bus. (All Saints or West Cross)

Christmas craft Morning for Children : will be held on Saturday 19th December. If you can help with this event please let us know so we can start to plan. Thank you.

Reading Luke through Advent : on St. Luke's day I mentioned that it would be good if we read through St. Luke's Gospel during Advent. A number indicated they would be interested in doing this. There is a reading plan available at the back of the church with the suggested Chapter and verses of St. Luke's Gospel to read each day. It starts on 29th November (Advent Sunday). If you would like to join in do take a copy of the reading plan. If you need a Bible do ask and one can be provided for you.

Sunday 8th November 2026 2nd Sunday of the Kingdom

Almighty Father, your will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of all: govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; 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 Wisdom (6.12-16)

Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty, for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought.

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

Canticle: Wisdom 6. 17-20

17 The beginning of wisdom is the most sincere desire for instruction, and concern for instruction is love of her,
18 and love of her is the keeping of her laws, and giving heed to her laws is assurance of immortality,
19 and immortality brings one near to God;
20 so the desire for wisdom leads to a kingdom.

A reading from 1 Thessalonians(4.13-18)

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died.

For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord for ever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Matthew (25.1-13)
Glory to you, O Lord.

'Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept.

'But at midnight there was a shout, "Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him." Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out." But the wise replied, "No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves." And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut.

'Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, "Lord, lord, open to us." But he replied, "Truly I tell you, I do not know you." Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

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

God of peace, your Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**