

Sunrise

A monthly magazine for the Parish of the Resurrection, Alton



September 2024

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Details of Sunday services for the month can be found on the back cover. You will find that there is a variety of services intended to meet the needs of people of many different ages and backgrounds. You are welcome to worship with us.

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The Parish of the Resurrection lies within the Winchester Diocese of the Church of England & is in covenant partnership with Alton Methodist Church in the Greater Alton Project

First thoughts

Cataract

On the 23rd May this year I had cataract surgery. The need to do this had come as quite a shock as I really hadn't noticed much change in my sight but in retrospect I realised that I was finding it harder to recognise people at a distance and read the newspaper. Once I had accepted this it was full steam ahead and appointments were made confirming the diagnosis and suggested outcomes.

I found myself reflecting on the wonders of modern medicine and the skill of the surgeons. Whereas in previous times I would have been condemned to an increasing loss of sight – I was being offered brand new vision. And what vision! Immediately following the operation I was bowled over by the brightness and sharpening of colours, as I am sure many of you will concur. During a visit to the cathedral I was left wondering if someone had washed the stonework and I was stunned by the brilliance of the stained glass.

Sadly since then things haven't been plain sailing and my new vision has been blighted by extreme dry-eye and the possibility of further surgery.

This, I feel, often reflects our faith journeys. We may have glimpses of clarity and certainty in faith but at other times we may experience difficult and challenging times of doubt when belief, like sight, becomes clouded or painful and God can seem a remote figure. St John of the Cross refers to this as 'the dark night of the soul'. At such time it can be helpful to cling on, however tenuously, to that which is precious - to maybe just glimmers of faith – even when our vision is much clouded. It can also be helpful to have a reboot or refresh maybe by sharing your worries with a trusted fellow Christian, going on a parish away day, or an Alpha course or a quiet day's retreat. Whatever feeds your soul.

On a slightly different tack the Bible verse that came immediately to my mind post cataract removal was 1 Corinthians 13 verse 12 'For now we see through a glass darkly, but then face to face'. St Paul writes this to describe how our obscure and imperfect vision of reality will change at the end of time when we stand before God 'face to face'. That glimpse of a bright fulfilled world with no sight obstruction - a glorious promise for our futures.

This idea is developed in the book of Revelation where the author describes the new heaven and new earth, where God reigns with absolute benevolence, where there is no more injustice, poverty, disease and despair, no more pain and tears; surely that's the utopia we all long for as our Christian destiny. But the Bible also speaks of our lives here and now and the task we have of bringing heaven down to earth. Every now and then we get a glimpse of what that means – when the hungry are fed (in our food banks), where the broken hearted are comforted (in our bereavement support group) where the lonely are visited and welcomed (in the work of the Anna Chaplains) where our spiritual life is enriched (as we come together to worship and learn from God's word). As we do so we

experience a glimpse, through a mirror, of the Kingdom of God breaking into our world now, although in its fullest sense that clarity of vision, when we see God face to face, is yet to come.

Try to treasure and store those moments of joy and vision of God's Kingdom as they help to carry us through the cloudy days.

'You, Lord, keep my lamp burning - my God turns my darkness into light.' Psalm 18:28

Rev. Lynn Power



Explore the letter to the Romans

Join *The Romans Course* in The Parish of the Resurrection & The Parish of Bentworth, Lasham and Shalden

Date: Every Thursday for 5 weeks beginning 26th September
Time & Venue: 12.30-2pm in Holybourne Church
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Join us as we demystify the book of Romans and see how it equips us to share the gospel with confidence.

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OUR BIBLE SOCIETY



Entertaining Angels

Benefice Home and Away Day

Saturday 14th September 2024

The day will focus on looking at our culture of invitation.

Location: Jubilee Hall in Bentworth

Time: 9.30am to 5.00pm

Join us for a time of worship, fellowship, teaching and recreation.

Our dynamic guest speaker is a magician and evangelist, Reverend Tim Sallet.

Transport can be arranged if required; 'bring your own' lunch; a cream tea and cakes will be laid on; there will be children's activities to accompany the main sessions and there will be ample time to get to know one another in a relaxed atmosphere. Sign up sheets are available in our churches



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Bible Readings for the month of September 2024

Taken from the Church of England lectionary – readings to use daily

Sunday 1st Trinity 14	Five Marks of Mission - Tell - To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 Luke 9: 1-6		
Monday 2 nd	Psalm 1	1 Kings 1: 5 - 31	Acts 13: 13 - 43
Tuesday 3 rd	Psalm 5	1 Kings 1: 32 – 2: 4; 2: 10 - 12	Acts 13: 44 – 14: 7
Wednesday 4 th	Psalm 119: 1 - 2	1 Kings 3	Acts 14: 8 - end
Thursday 5 th	Psalm 15	1 Kings 4: 29 – 5: 12	Acts 15: 1 - 21
Friday 6 th	Psalm 19	1 Kings 6: 1, 11 - 28	Acts 15: 22 - 35
Saturday 7 th	Psalm 23	1 Kings 8: 1 - 30	Acts 15: 36 – 16: 5
Sunday 8th Trinity 15	Five Marks of Mission - Teach - To teach, baptise and nurture new believers Isaiah 35.4-7a Luke 24: 13-27		
Monday 9 th	Psalm 30	1 Kings 8: 31 - 62	Acts 16: 6 - 24
Tuesday 10 th	Psalm 36	1 Kings 8: 63 – 9: 9	Acts 16: 25 - end
Wednesday 11 th	Psalm 34	1 Kings 10: 1 - 25	Acts 17: 1 - 15
Thursday 12 th	Psalm 37	1 Kings 11: 1 - 13	Acts 17: 16 - end
Friday 13 th	Psalm 31	1 Kings 11: 26 - end	Acts 18: 1 - 21
Saturday 14 th	Psalm 8	Genesis 3: 1 - 15	John 12: 27 – 36a
Sunday 15th Trinity 16	Five Marks of Mission - Tend - To respond to human need by loving service Isaiah 50.4-9a John 13: 3-15		
Monday 16 th	Psalm 44	1 Kings 12: 25 – 13: 10	Acts 8: 26 - end
Tuesday 17 th	Psalm 48	1 Kings 13: 11 - end	Acts 9: 1 – 19a
Wednesday 18 th	Psalm 119: 57 - 80	1 Kings 17	Acts 9: 19b - 31
Thursday 19 th	Psalm 57	1 Kings 18: 1 - 20	Acts 9: 32 - end
Friday 20 th	Psalm 51	1 Kings 18: 21 - end	Acts 10: 1- 16
Saturday 21 st	Psalms 49 or 117	1 Kings 19: 15 - end	John 1: 43 - end
Sunday 22nd Trinity 17	Five Marks of Mission - Transform - To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation Isaiah 58: 1-10 Mark 9.30-37		
Monday 23 rd	Psalm 71	1 Kings 21	Acts 19: 8 - 20
Tuesday 24 th	Psalm 73	1 Kings 22: 1 - 28	Acts 19: 21 - end
Wednesday 25 th	Psalm 77	1 Kings 22: 29 - 45	Acts 20: 1 - 16
Thursday 26 th	Psalm 78: 1 - 39	2 Kings 1: 2 - 17	Acts 20: 17 - end
Friday 27 th	Psalm 55	2 Kings 2: 1 - 18	Acts 21: 1 - 16
Saturday 28 th	Psalm 76	2 Kings 4: 1 - 37	2 Timothy 3: 14 - end
Sunday 29th Trinity 18	Five Marks of Mission - Treasure - To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth Psalm 8 Mark 9.38-50		
Monday 30 th	Psalm 80	2 Kings 5	Acts 21: 37 – 22: 21



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Pastoral Care

Some time ago I wrote about Pastoral Care in the Parish in Sunrise. I remember saying in that article that pastoral care is all our responsibility and I want to reinforce this. We live by the saying of Jesus 'love one another as I have loved you' and the many other Biblical mandates that encourage and exhort us to 'care for each other'. Our coming together in worship, prayer, Bible study and fellowship connects us in so many ways and builds strong relationships between us. We are to cultivate these relationships into deep bonds of hospitality, concern and mutual affection. Therefore the main spine of our pastoral care is that we care for each other naturally and treat/love each other as we would want to be treated and loved ourselves.

Recently Sarah Neish, David Chattell and I met with a group of people representing each of our congregations to discuss our procedures for pastoral care. It was a good and encouraging meeting. The outcome is that we could put together a comprehensive system for pastoral care but that we wouldn't! We are very aware of the many possibilities there are across the parish to look after and love one another: home groups, there are a good number of them; the Tuesday coffee morning in Holybourne; the Friday coffee and cakes in St Lawrence Church; the Beech Lunch Club; the Wednesday communion service at All Saints followed by coffee and conversation; Church@4; the monthly market; Sunday morning after service refreshments; Men's Walking Church; Meet & Eat - to name just a few. Each church has a focal minister and Churchwardens - they are the first call for alerting any care needs. They can arrange for people to visit, offer home communion, be a liaison. The focal ministers may call on others to help. Their role is to foster the culture of everyone being everyone's pastoral care! The group that met will meet once a term to touch base about the pastoral care needs within each congregation.

In October and November we are planning a teaching series on pastoral care based on some of the stories in Luke's Gospel which we hope will help us to understand our caring of one another. We are going to include in Parish Matters, the weekly emails and further copies of Sunrise hints to help. We'd love to hear stories of our caring and helping each other. Perhaps there are ways of writing short articles in further copies of Sunrise or to include in our weekly email. Maybe share news of your home group or activity and the ways in which people have been loved and cared for.

So what is our policy for pastoral care? It is us being here for each other. We are already putting this policy into practice and we are simply just encouraging more of it!

*Best wishes
Andrew*

News from Alton Methodist Church

July was an eventful month with the Church Anniversary, all the usual weekday activities and a circuit farewell service to the Rev Gina Hoff who will be moving from her post at Cove, Frimley Green & Hartley Witney to the Isle of Wight.

The Boys' Brigade is celebrating 140 years nationally and as part of these celebrations the Hampshire area organised a day of fun at Churcher's School in Petersfield for Anchor and Junior boys. There were some places left over so the invitation was extended to Girls' Brigade companies and two of our youngest girls joined in the fun. Activities included juggling, archery, beat the goalie, tug of war, nerf guns and bouncy castles outdoors and more fun indoors. The day finished with a worship session led by David Betts and a worship band.

Boys' and Girls' Brigades take a break over the summer holidays, as do the church lunch staff. Meanwhile, CAMEO and the Ladies @ Wetherspoons continue to hold their regular monthly meetings.

On September 1st there will be a circuit welcome service for Rev Kyung Mi Banks and Deacon Joy Everingham at the Spire Church in Farnham. Joy will be working primarily at the Spire, but also alongside Rev Philip Simpkins at Alton, Hale and Rowledge. Rev Kyung Mi Banks is a probationary minister who will be serving withing the Hampshire Surrey Border Circuit at Cove, Frimley Green & Hartley Witney.

Services at Alton Methodist Church in August ***All services start at 10.00am***

Sunday 4th : Rev Philip Simpkins – Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday 11th : Rev Howard Sharpe – Morning Worship

Sunday 18th : Mrs Liz George – Morning Worship

Sunday 25th : Rev Philip Simpkins – Morning Worship with Holy Communion





Church@4 is an all-age family service where parents and children come together to learn about God, sing songs and enjoy crafts together. Tea and cake are served before the service.

Church
@ 4

3rd Sunday of the month at 4pm in the Parish Centre, next to St Lawrence Church.

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Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and business, but here it is overseen by the Parish Safeguarding Officer, Sally Kemp, in conjunction with the incumbent, Andrew Micklefield.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sally Kemp, PSO, on 07944 587 597 or via potr.safeguarding.com or via the Parish Office.

Curious about faith? Autumn 2024

Join a series of group conversations that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. At each Alpha session, you'll be hosted in a small group. **This autumn we offer a Monday evening course with a free hot meal or a Wednesday morning course with tea and biscuits**

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Eco Church Prayer for September
**We give thanks for all the blessings of
this life,
and remember those less
fortunate than ourselves.**
**Help us, who have enough, to live more
simply, that others may simply live.**
**As we borrow the earth from our
children,
may we not take for ourselves
more than we can return.**

Amen



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Home & Away Day

During August I hope you enjoyed the Parish of the Resurrection services. It is an opportune time to come together in worship, prayer and teaching and it allows a 'step back' time for the Ministry Team and others. It is good to be together.

I want you all to please think about coming to the **Benefice Home & Away Day** on **Saturday 14th September** in the Jubilee Hall in Bentworth. It will be a good way of thinking, praying and finding out more about each other and God's plans for us going forward. I encourage you to see this as a vision seeking and forward planning coming together time for all of us. We are using the theme of '**Entertaining Angels**' which is taken from the New Testament letter to the Hebrews where in beginning Chapter 13 it says "Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.' This will help us to think about our culture of invitation and our ways of growing. There will be a first class speaker: Revd Tim Saiset, a magician and vicar; time for conversation, games, chat and food; and I will be leading a session towards the end of the day to outline some thinking for the Parish as we go forward under God's grace.

It is a 'bring your own lunch' but there will be a cream tea laid on during the afternoon and drinks throughout.

I see this as an important event for us all - and I encourage you to come. It is okay to come to some of the day if you cannot come to all of it. It is very flexible. Young and old and from all our churches - let's make it a fabulous day together. Either put your name on a sheet in one of the churches or email the office saying you will be there.

Thank you and looking forward to it immensely.

*Best wishes
Andrew*



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What's On . . .

Friday Coffee Morning **Friday 6th September** **St Lawrence Church**

Monthly Coffee Mornings (first Friday in month), at St. Lawrence Church, from 10.30am until 12.00am.

The informal sessions are open to everyone, with plenty of cake and conversation.

Please come along, and meet-up with old friends, and make new ones.

POTR St Lawrence Monthly Market **Saturday 7th September 9.00 to 12.30** **In the Parish Centre**

Books, puzzles, toys, bric-a-brac, plants, garden produce.

We are looking for new items to boost our tables and give our customers a good shopping experience. If you have any unwanted items you wish to donate we are at the Parish Centre from 5pm - 6pm on the Friday evening before the sale or anytime after 8am on the morning of the sale. Your help would be much appreciated

We also serve refreshments including coffee, tea, hot chocolate with a biscuit for 50p. If your feeling peckish you can also purchase a bacon bap (brown/white) for £1.50p, cooked fresh to order.

St Lawrence Lunchtime Organ Concert

Thursday 12th September at 1.00pm
(Gerald Marlow (All Saints Church, Steep)



GAP Ladies Lunch **Wednesday 25th September at 12.15 for 12.30pm Swan Hotel**

If you have not already booked and ordered your main course, please contact Norma Duke on 01420 84722. This is an excellent way of getting to know more people. You are very welcome to join us and to invite a friend to come long too. But don't forget to book the friend and their main course.

Men's Breakfast

We will be meeting again at the White Hart public house, Holybourne at 8.30am on **Saturday 28th September** for our usual delicious 'full English' breakfast, all for just £10. Come and enjoy some lively banter and listen to our excellent speaker, Giles Remnant who will be talking about his time as an animal handler for the film Born Free. If you have not attended the breakfast for a while we would love to see you again. Please reply to Tim Codling by email: ***tim.codling@hotmail.co.uk*** or telephone him on 01420 617293 by **Wednesday 25th September**.

Church of the Holy Rood Holybourne Every Tuesday 10am until 12noon

Please join us and perhaps bring along a friend, for our time of coffee, tea, cake and chat from 10am, followed by a short time of prayer from 11:45 am to 12:00 noon. You will be assured of a warm welcome.

All Saints Coffee and Conversation (2nd & 4th Wednesdays 11am to 11.30am after Communion at 10am) for friendship and sharing faith.

All welcome at any time, come and just enjoy the company and join in the sharing if you wish. Our sharing includes at the moment an overview of Jesus life and also people sharing their their own delights, difficulties and questions. Anything is allowed, it is very informal and open to anyone to just come and see." No experience necessary ! " led by Anne Mason"

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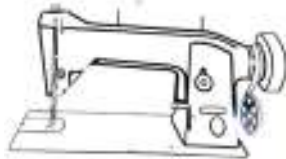
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Lip Reading

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Come and give it a try, you will be made most welcome!

Kate kaddando@gmail.com 01420 83514

Knitters Anonymous

This month I should like to give a really big 'thank you' to all our Knitters who really are 'anonymous'. Although I already know many of our knitters and see you regularly there are a few who prefer to leave their donations anonymously in the knitting box at the back of All Saints Church – sometimes with a little note, sometimes with a very useful bag of wool they no longer require. All donations are so gratefully received and are passed on to the Bliss baby charity or to Refugee charities. I am frequently asked, "What do you need most?" I usually reply, "Anything that you like to knit/crochet, it all finds a home". Thank you also to those who have recently taken up the challenge of making jumpers in teenage sizes, and for those who are concentrating on the prem baby blankets which are being requested at the moment - but rest assured what ever you are kind enough to make and donate will all find a home!



Next meeting 2pm on Tuesday 17th September in All Saints Church hall

All Welcome!

For further information contact - Kate kaddando@gmail.com 01420 83514

ALL SAINTS HARD OF HEARING GROUP ALL SAINTS CHURCH HALL

As I write, we have yet to have our visit to the Allen Gallery so I am still hoping that the weather will be kind and allow us to sit in the garden. Time will tell!

In September we will be abandoning the church hall again in order to gather in All Saints Church where we will have a short Harvest Festival service led by Kate Powell, Anna Chaplain. This will take place on Tuesday 24th at 2pm. Everyone is very welcome – and if you can bring a grocery item for the service, this will be donated afterwards to the local Food Bank.

In October – just by way of a change – we will have a talk in All Saints Church Hall. It will be about the bird life around Alton and will be given by Keith Betton, Chair of the Hampshire Ornithological Society. We look forward to seeing you!

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Alton Victorian Cricket 2024 - Wash up and final donation.

Written by Becca Cassidy, AVC Head of Media

Sunday 23rd June 2024, was a day of fun, sportsmanship, and community spirit at the Alton Victorian Cricket 2024! Bringing together cricket enthusiasts, local businesses, and our community for a fantastic day of cricket, all in support of a great cause.

The tournament saw nine teams battling it out on the cricket field in a series of thrilling matches. The final match was a nail-biter, with our first ever draw between The White Horse and The Railway Arms! The latter winning after a 'Super Over' per team.

This tournament isn't just about cricket and fun costumes – it's about making a difference in the Alton community.

Thanks to the incredible support from participants, spectators, and sponsors, we raised £10,100.11 for Bushy Leaze.

These funds will go directly to supporting families with children aged 0-5 years, where they have provided this valuable support for more than 40 years. Making a meaningful impact in offering a range of services and facilities for families and children, from the early stages of pregnancy to when the child starts school.

Bushy Leaze weren't the only winners of the day, prizes were also given for the best catch, best dressed and the personality of the year:

Tournament Winners - Triple FFF's The Railway Arms

Tournament Runners Up - The White Horse

Bob's Champagne Moment - Warren Powell-Richards

Best Dressed - Ten Tun Tap House

Barry Perkins Personality of the Year - Becca Cassidy

The Alton Victorian Cricket committee would like to extend a heartfelt Thank You to the Alton community

We couldn't have done it without you! A huge thank you to:

Our Teams: Your enthusiasm and competitive spirit made the day unforgettable.

We loved watching each of you play, and we appreciate your dedication to supporting this cause.

Our Sponsors: Your generosity helped us reach our fundraising goals. Special thanks to Warren Powell-Richards, LFM Chartered Certified Accountants, Barn Store Alton, The Lavender Fields, Alton Town Council, Wettone Matthews, Cassidy's Bar, Charles Henry Estate Agent and KJ Cox Solicitors for your contributions.

Our New supporters: We are thrilled to announce an exciting new supporting partnership between the Alton Victorian Cricket and Rotary Club of Alton Hampshire! This support represents a significant step forward in enhancing the offerings and scale of the event.

Our Volunteers: From setting up the event to ensuring everything ran smoothly, our volunteers were the backbone of this tournament. We're incredibly grateful for your time and effort.

Our Spectators: Thank you for coming out, cheering on the teams, and contributing to the success of this event. Your energy and support were felt throughout the day.

Given the overwhelming success of this event, we're already thinking about next year's tournament! Stay tuned for more details, and get ready to join us on Sunday 22nd June 2025.

Relive the best moments, tag yourself and your friends, and share your memories with us!

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/altonvictorianscricket>

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Thank you once again for making the Alton Victorian Cricket such a memorable and impactful event. Together, we hit it out of the park for a great cause!



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Meet and Eat – women’s group for Fun and Fellowship.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 2nd September, starting at 7 pm in Holy Rood Church. A talk from the local Dogs for Autism Charity. There will be drinks and cakes available followed by a time to chat and ask any questions.

Please do chat to Kathy Norkett at All Saints, Sarah Neish at Beech, Gill Tull at Holy Rood, Elspeth Mackeggie Gurney and Alison Parr at St. Lawrence about the group.

If you would like to be added to the distribution list or need any further information just email Lyn Baines at meetandeat@btinternet.com



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September Services for POTR & BLS

1st September

8am	BCP Communion Service	St Lawrence Church
10.30am	POTR Altogether Service	St Lawrence Church
10am	Communion Service	St Mary's, Lasham
10am	Communion Service	St Peter & St Paul Shalden
10.30am	Butts Church Service	All Saints Church

8th September

9.15am	Communion Service	St Peter's Church
9.30am	Communion Service	Holy Rood Church
10.30am	Communion Service	St Lawrence Church
3pm	Afternoon Worship	All Saints Church
10am	Communion Service	St Mary's Church, Bentworth
10.30am	Butts Church Service	All Saints Church
6.00 pm	Prayer & Praise	St Lawrence Church

15th September

10.30am	GAP Service 10 years of Anna Chaplaincy with BRF	St Lawrence Church
4pm	Church@4	Parish Centre

6pm	Choral Evensong	St Lawrence Church
10am	Communion Service	St Mary's Church, Lasham
6pm	Evensong	St Peter & St Paul, Shalden
6.30pm	Butts Church Service	All Saints Church

22nd September

9.15am	Communion Service	St Peter's Church
10.30am	Communion Service	St Lawrence Church
4pm	Afternoon Worship	Holy Rood Church
6pm	Informal Evening Worship	St Lawrence Church
10am	Communion Service	St Mary's Church, Bentworth
10.30am	Butts Church Service	All Saints Church
6.30pm	Butts Church Service	All Saints Church

29th September

8am	BCP Communion Service	St Lawrence Church
10.30am	POTR Harvest Communion	St Lawrence Church
4pm	Harvest Service	Holy Rood Church
10am	BLS Altogether Communion	St Mary's Church Bentworth

Every Wednesday:

10.00am	Said Holy Communion	All Saints Church
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