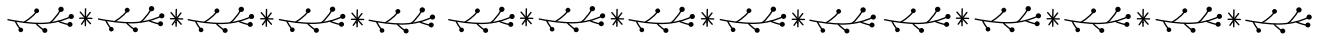


# Christmas Newsletter



## PRAYER FOCUS FOR CHRISTMAS

We pray that people in our community will hear the Christmas message this season, and that they may truly know the love and peace of Jesus in their hearts.



# JOY

### 21st December

#### 10:45am - The 'all-in' Nativity Service

Dress up and join in with the Christmas Story

#### 6:30pm - Traditional Carol Service

Join us for readings, carols and refreshments

### 24th December

#### 3pm & 4:30pm - Christingle Services

Celebrate the Light of Christ this Christmas

Book your FREE tickets: [allsaints.church/christmas](https://allsaints.church/christmas)

### 25<sup>th</sup> December

#### 10am - Christmas Day Celebration with Holy Communion

The best way to start Christmas Day!

### 28<sup>th</sup> December

#### 10am Morning Service with Holy Communion

A chance to reflect and thank God for the last year

### Important Notice

This Sunday, we will be live-streaming our 9:00am Holy Communion Service and 6:30pm Carol Service.

Please also note that the 10:00am services on Christmas Day and Sunday 28th December

will be live-streamed as well.

Further information is available on page 4 of this newsletter

# Christmas Outreach Update from Gemma

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## All Saints Toy Appeal

It was a privilege to be able to drop gift bags off for families in need of some extra support at Hoole Primary School this week. As always the staff were so grateful and I know the toys and gifts will be a great blessing to the families who receive them.

Thank You again to the All Saints Family for your kindness and love towards our local community. What a blessing it is to be part of such a generous and kind community.



## The Great Giveaway

It was a joy to be able to drop off 50 presents for the ladies and gentlemen who find themselves in temporary accommodation at The Dene Hotel.



Our children and youth beautifully wrapped the gifts, adding an extra touch of care and kindness.



We also dropped another bag of additional toiletries off at C.A.T.H.

Thank you so so much to the All Saints Family for all your support and kind donations. I know these gifts will really bring the love of Jesus to the recipients because of your kindness.

**Much love, Gemma**  
***Children and Families Outreach Worker***

# Christmas at All Saints Hoole



## CHRISTINGLE MAKING

We would love you to join us to put together Christingles for our two services.



**WHEN:** Tuesday 23rd Dec **TIME:** 9.30am **WHERE:** All Saints Church Centre

Please just turn up on the day!



## OASIS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

A wonderful afternoon was had by our OASIS group at their Christmas lunch on the 11<sup>th</sup> December. We welcomed 55 guests who enjoyed an exceptional four-course meal, which was greatly appreciated by all.

We were also joined by Vicki's choir and enjoyed a fun quiz, adding to the festive atmosphere.

Thank you to all our guests for coming, and a special thank you to everyone who volunteered and helped make this such a special occasion.

Merry Christmas from the OASIS Team



# Join us in 2026

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**Sunday 4th January  
Christmas 2**

**Matthew 2:1-12 - The Coming of the Magi**

9:00am Holy Communion

10:45am Holy Communion

*Youth and Kids Church starts again 11<sup>th</sup> January*

**Prayer Focus:**

**For all that God has in store in 2026 for our All Saints Church family and our community**

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## **Live Streaming**

- This service is being live-streamed and recorded to support those unable to attend. The stream and recording may appear online (website, YouTube, social media).
- If you sit in the first three rows or are on the Chancel, you may be visible on camera.
- **No Filming Zones:** All seating after the first three rows of pews.
- No filming will take place during moments of prayer ministry or during the administering of Holy Communion.
- Please speak to our welcome team or Wardens if you need help.
- Thank you for helping us keep our services accessible to all.

## **Church Access Kits**

We want you—and the children you care for—to feel comfortable and included during our services. Our Access Kits are designed to support children with additional needs but are available for all children to use. Each kit contains a selection of helpful items to make your time in church more enjoyable and accessible. You can find them with our welcomers when you arrive.

## **Crèche**

The 'Raven' room is set up as a crèche and is available for use during the 10:45am service each week. Parents and carers are welcome to use this space at any time during the service. Please note: a parent or guardian will need to stay with their child while using the crèche.

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## **What's on week commencing 5<sup>th</sup> January**

### **Tuesday 6th**

Heart & Soul Cafe: 8:45am-2pm

Oasis: 1:30-3:00pm

### **Wednesday 7th**

Bible Study Fellowship: 9:55-11:30am

Prayer Meeting: 7:45pm

### **Thursday 8th**

Heart & Soul Cafe: 8:45am-2pm

Chatty Group in Heart & Soul Café: 10:30am

### **Friday 9th**

Craft Club: 1:30pm



# Join us in 2026

In 2026, we're inviting everyone into two simple rhythms at the heart of our church:  
**Ignite** and **The Prayer Gathering**.

**Ignite** is a monthly Sunday evening of extended worship and prayer, creating space to slow down and seek renewal together.

**The Prayer Gathering** (formerly known as Open to God), is reverting back to a Wednesday and is our monthly church prayer meeting, where we pray intentionally for our church, community, and world.

These aren't competing events, but complementary rhythms — worship that fuels prayer, and prayer that shapes our life and mission. You're warmly invited to come to both - Community Groups are invited to build The Prayer Gathering into their meeting time.

**The Prayer Gathering** – 1st Wednesday of the month, 7.45–8.45pm  
**Ignite** – 2nd Sunday of the month, 6–7pm



## NEW HERE?

We would love to get to know you!

We are inviting anyone who has started attending All Saints since October 2025 to come along and join us for good food, a chance to get to know each other better and an opportunity to hear the vision of All Saints Church.

**Sunday 22nd February - 12.45pm - 3pm**

Sign up will close on Sunday 15th February

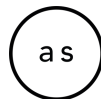
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Sign Up '[Here](#)'



## JOB VACANCY

Pastoral and Discipleship Coordinator



**all saints  
hoole**

**Closing date Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January**

We are seeking a Lay Worker to build a strong, sustainable discipleship and pastoral framework at All Saints Hoole – coordinating care, delivering key courses, and supporting ministry teams.

This role will help create a joined-up, mission-focused pathway – from first contact to deepening discipleship – ensuring our evangelism and follow-up are intentional, coordinated and Spirit-led.

Further information can be found [HERE](#) or by visiting our website [www.allsaints.church](http://www.allsaints.church)

## CAN YOU HELP??

Our Building Committee Members are looking for a group of volunteers to help us tidy around our church grounds; clearing some of the overgrowth, clearing moss and ivy and reducing the height of some of our shrubs and plants.

Our first meeting will take place on Friday 16th January between 10am and 2pm (weather permitting). If you are able to help, please get in touch with Ken Wood, Building Committee Chair via email ([ken.wood@allsaints.church](mailto:ken.wood@allsaints.church)) or the Church Office ([office@allsaints.church](mailto:office@allsaints.church)) to let us know.

Thank you

## AFTER DARK JANUARY DIARY

<b>SUN 4TH</b>	<b>NEW YEAR NO YOUTH</b>
<b>FRI 9TH</b>	<b>YTHX ST MIKES @ 7PM</b>
<b>SUN 11TH</b>	<b>CAMPFIRE! WORSHIP &amp; TESTIMONY</b>
<b>SUN 18TH</b>	<b>SOCIAL GAMES NIGHT &amp; TUCK!</b>
<b>SUN 25TH</b>	<b>STUDY Y7-9 &amp; Y9+ SESSIONS</b>

All Saints Youth PM 2025/26

KEEP UP TO DATE WITH OUR YOUTH CALENDAR  
  
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## as youth JANUARY SOCIAL 2025 GAMES NIGHT

Video games, football, board games, music, new year catch up and a whole lot of fun! Perfect to invite friends to.

Tuck shop will be out so bring pocket money

Hot meal provided at 6pm (free, but donations appreciated)  
Sunday 18th January 2025 6pm - 8.30pm

CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE ON SPOND

**After School Drop-In  
starts back on Tuesday  
13th January 2026.**

**We're really looking  
forward to seeing you  
then! 😊**

### AFTERSCHOOL \*TERM TIME\* DROP IN

FOR Y6-Y11S  
**EVERY TUESDAY**  
3.30 PM - 5.00 PM

BALL GAMES, BOARD GAMES, VIDEO  
GAMES,  
CRAFTS, HOMEWORK SUPPORT, TUCK  
SHOP  
REFRESHMENTS AND PHONE CHARGING

**WWW.ALLSAINTS.CHURCH**

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# December reflection

## A word from our Youth Worker

It's Christmas!!!!

Romans 15:13: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit"

Breakfast Club (Sunday AM)

Topics: Christmas! We had a great Christmas party and joined with the Kids groups to help wrap all the presents for the 'Wrap' Up' appeal organised by Gemma for those who need warm clothing this winter.

AfterDark (Sunday PM)

Topics: Christmas NUA series. We joined together for a special Christmas series continuing from the NUA productions that the Y9- have been doing. Here we discovered the joy of Christmas, presents and being together, all whilst learning why Jesus coming in the first place was so important for our salvation.

Our December Social was 'The Cube', a joint Family and Friends event where Kids took on the Adults inside 'The Cube(s)' to see who was the best. Sadly, the adults won, but it wasn't without a fight, as the kids won 5 rounds in a row, but just missed out in the final two games. A really fun time of fellowship, and great to see so many new faces from each family and even some school friends...the food was immense!

The 'After School Drop In' finished for 2025 with all 11 members showing up, in what has been a great first month of the new event. Fun games were played, and lots of sweets and chocolate was eaten by all!

With it being advent, we had a number of assemblies running in local schools. Not only did we host Hoole Primary, St Martins and Newton Primary, but Sam had the pleasure of going into Upton, presenting to each year group with the CSCW, teaching them about peace, and how we can find peace in Jesus.



## Golden dude Award

December's golden dude award goes to Hannah. We all know Hannah is an incredible singer, not only does she sing at church and YTHX, but she produced and sung her own solo song at the Cathedral for her school's Christmas carol concert! And smashed it!

Sam

### Youth Events

*All Youth events are published on a notice board at the front of church. Messages go out on the weekly Newsletter and are also sent via the Youth WhatsApp Broadcast group and SPONDAApp (code CDUYF).*





## NEWS FROM HOOLES CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

'let your light shine' **Matthew 5:16 Sermon on the Mount**

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Christmas festivities have been in full swing over the last two weeks!

Our Reception classes presented their Christmas performance to their families. Their show, Wiggly Nativity, was full of songs and provided a beautiful retelling of the Nativity – complete with camels, sheep, stars and glorious angels.

Our Parent Teacher Association have been in action with our Santa Social event and two lively discos which were very well attended by most of our pupils.

All classes have enjoyed Christmas parties and on Wednesday, everyone tucked into a delicious Christmas lunch. We even had Christmas pudding cookies!

On Tuesday and Wednesday, we visited All Saints Church for two Christmas services. The church was full of parents, carers and family members celebrating with us. A huge thank you to Craig, Gemma, Sam, Julie and all of the Church members who helped with the organisation of these concerts on the day. Thank you for the love and time you invest into our school throughout the year.

Thank you also to those members of the All Saints congregation who have supported our school in so many ways, particularly our wonderful Reading Champions. Thank you so much for your enthusiasm and dedication. The children you work with have flourished and made exceptional progress as a result of your kindness and inspiration.

Thank you also to Jeff Turnbull and the Blue Coat Trustees for your support over this year. We appreciated your wisdom and you walking with us as we navigated the change to academy status.

On behalf of our school family, I send best wishes for a peaceful and joyful Christmas season to all at All Saints Church.

Thank you for prayers and good wishes for our school family throughout the entire year.

Rosalind Flanders  
Headteacher



**Chester Diocesan Learning Trust**  
Shaping Better Futures. One Body; Many Parts



## Other Events & News



### reset 2026 MANCHESTER

Saturday, 07-Feb-2026

9:30am - 4:00pm

St Philip's Chapel Street,  
Wilton Place, Salford,  
Manchester M3 6FR

**[Book your ticket here](#)**

In February, we will be gathering in 10 locations across the nation for our Women's Reset Day! Our vision for New Wine Reset Days is to gather women in multiple locations across the nation for a day of worship, teaching, Holy Spirit ministry and encounters with God and one another.

There will be ladies from All Saints Hoole going and we hope to travel together.

## NEW WINE IS MORE THAN JUST AN EVENT

It's a network that spans across many denominations in 14 countries. This network is made up of over 1,000 churches, 4,000 church leaders, and 50,000 individuals who share a common vision of local churches changing nations.



For more  
information and  
to book your  
tickets click  
**[HERE](#)**

### Who Let The Dads Out?

For dads, male carers, father figures and their children at Hoole Lighthouse Centre.

Who Let The Dads Out? – Age range 0-5 (but flexible).

1st Saturday of each month. 10am to 12 noon. £2.50 per family.



# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## All Saints Songbook 2024-2025

Play lists are now available to help our congregation find and familiarise themselves with the songs we sing during our services, which we hope will prove to be a blessing.



Spotify

[Click Here](#)



YouTube

[Click Here](#)

## The World Church

All Saints supports a number of individuals and groups around the world. Please visit our mission page for information on our mission partners.

## West Cheshire Foodbank

Please put any donations in the collection crates in the church centre foyer. Thank you for your continued support. If you'd like to know more about the foodbank, please click [HERE](#).

## Greeting Cards

Cards for all occasions by Gill Holt. Please have a look after the Sunday services and support the work of Tearfund.

## Giving at All Saints

Our thanks to all who give. Your generosity is making a huge difference!

### WAYS TO GIVE:

- Standing Order - contact the Welcome Desk at a service
- Scan the QR code
- Donation Stations at the entrance
- Offering Boxes at the back of church
- Gift Aid forms are available from the Welcome Desk



## Food Allergies and Intolerances

Offering food and refreshments is an important part of our ministry here at All Saints. Due to the way our food is prepared, **it is not possible to guarantee the absence of allergens.**

If you have a known allergy, we ask that you take all necessary precautions.

## Promoting a Safer Church

If you ever have any safeguarding concerns relating to children and/or vulnerable adults, please pass these on to our Safeguarding Officer, Fiona Jones either in person or by emailing [safeguarding@allsaints.church](mailto:safeguarding@allsaints.church).

Further contact details can be found on the posters in church and the church centre or on the All Saints website: [allsaints.church/church-life/safeguarding](https://allsaints.church/church-life/safeguarding).

Church family are encouraged to undertake the Church of England Basic Awareness safeguarding training which can be found on their website: [safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org](https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org)

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