

# All Hallows News



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## Work from Rest

The summer is often a time when people can get away and have a bit of a break. Those who have kids can get away with them because they are off school too, and those without can go a little earlier or later to take advantage of emptier beaches and lower travel costs. It can be a good time for us to unwind a little.

A few years ago I read something very helpful when it comes to work and rest. What I read was that it is better to work from rest than rest from work.

Although I have no personal experience of running a marathon I am told that the first day of marathon training is a rest day. Those preparing might be gearing themselves up to get their shoes on and get on running, but actually they need to rest first.

In the Book of Genesis, in the Bible, God created people on the 6th day and then the 7th day was a day of rest. So, mankind's first day was a day off. Imagine starting a new job with a day off!

God's plan was that we would be workers, but that we would not be defined by that work.

At All Hallows our midweek activities largely stop during August. We are so grateful to all who run them, but those people are not to be defined as workers.

They are family members and friends, and they are children of God. They have other parts of their lives to live in addition to what they do. So they rest and focus on those things before coming back to work in September.



But, once the rest of August has come and gone then our activities will start back up again, and the work restarts.

As ever, whether you would describe yourself as being part of All Hallows Church or not, you will always be very welcome at any of the events and activities that we hold.

**Rev Paul Cumming**

## Prayer

Studies show us that most people in our country pray sometimes.

It might be that something awful is happening to themselves or a loved one. People both with and without a faith in God will pray, because we care about the people we pray for.

At All Hallows we aim to be a church that respects and supports our wider community as much as we are able to do. A key thing that we can do is to pray for people.

We have various prayer meetings that take place on a weekly and monthly basis. We pray for people we know.

We pray for our world.  
We pray for the church.  
We pray for our wider community and people who live here.

If you would like us to pray for you then please let us know. You can give us as little detail as you want—maybe just a first name if that's what you want. It doesn't matter whether you

belong to the church or not we would be glad to pray on your behalf.

You can either email the church or you can drop a piece of paper in the box in the church foyer, on the Councillor Lane side. Also, if you would ever like to join us at a prayer meeting you would be very welcome.

# Group Reports

One of our big aims at All Hallows is to connect people with other people, to build community. We want to do that with people in the wider area and we want to do that between members of the church too. In the summer of 2018 some of us met together for a social night in the church lounge, every Thursday in August. We can't usually do that throughout the year because other groups and activities are taking place, but we felt it had gone well and it was a really good thing to have been able to do.

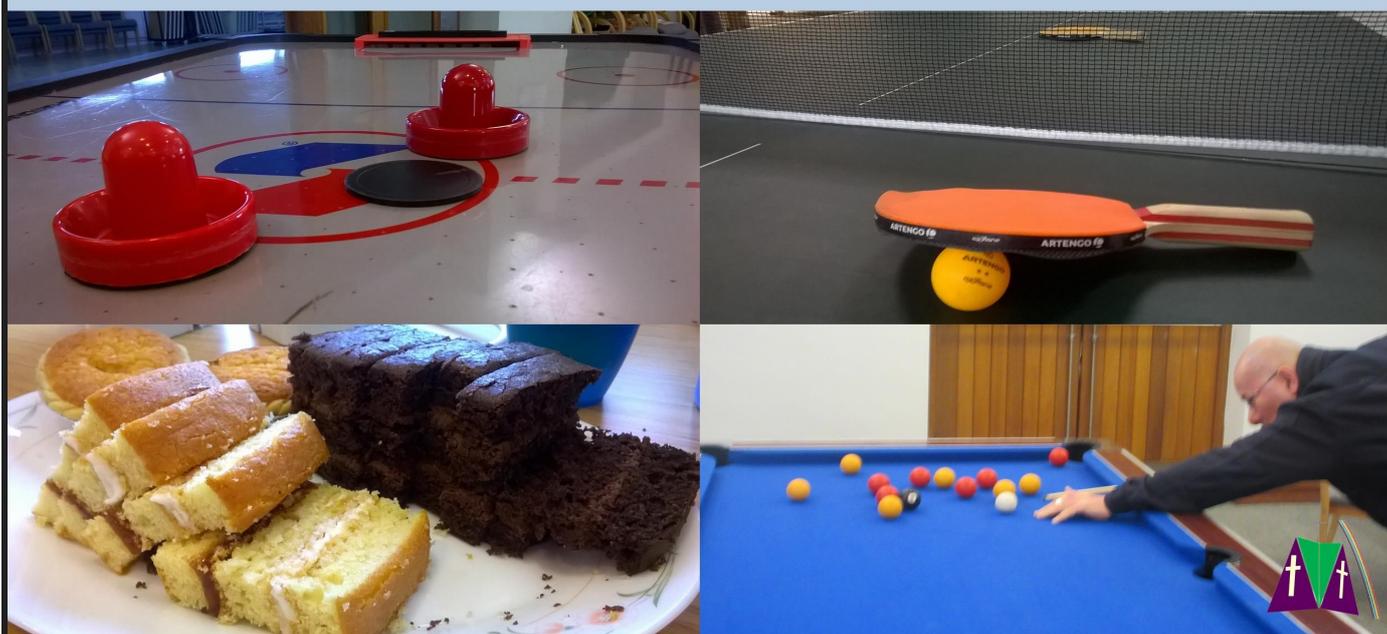


So, we decided to start meeting once a month, on the 3rd Wednesday evening of the month. People who come to church on a Sunday or throughout the week meet up and use some of the equipment and games that are often used at the youth club. So, the pool table will be out, table tennis, air-hockey, as well as some board games. We usually eat a reasonable amount of cake too. There is definitely enough to do and enjoy for those who come.

But, the biggest thing that we do is talk, laugh and enjoy each other's company. There is really good mix of those who come. Men and women of a variety of ages come. (Note: as this is not a formally supervised group any under 18s must come with a responsible adult.) We all enjoy each spending time together and getting to know each other a bit more. If you would like to join us at a Social Night then we would be delighted for you to come.

*"It gets you out of the house. It's entertaining and its relaxing."*  
(Robert)

## Social Night



**7:30-9:00 on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.**

# What's on?

## Breakfast at the Church



Start your day with a hearty breakfast for just

**£1 per person**

*Pre-schoolers free*

**Tuesdays served between 8 & 10am**

*\*(Term time only)\**

Plenty of choices: *Including fruit juice, tea, coffee, cereal, toast or a cooked breakfast*

*All ages welcome. No need to book beforehand.*

*Meet new people or bring your family & friends.*

**TUES 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

**FOR: Toddlers and Carers**

**DAY: Wednesday**

**TIME: 10:00-11:30**

**VENUE: All Hallows Church Hall**

**COST: £1.50**

**Play At The Church**

*Expect loads of toast, toys, songs and stories about Jesus.*



**WED 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> July**

**AGE: High Schoolers**

**DAY: Thursday**

**TIME: 7:30-9:00**

**VENUE: All Hallows Church Hall**

**COST: £1 + money for tuck shop**

*A youth group with great activities available.*



**THURS 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> July**

## Café at the Church

**A safe place for anybody to meet, eat and chat**



**10:00-12:00 on Friday mornings**

**FRI 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> July**

**Bringing lonely 50+ in society together with others**



**Lunch Plus**

**Soup and sandwiches, followed by cake and tea**  
**12:30 start on the last Thursday of the month**

**THURS 25<sup>th</sup> July**

**An adult's traditional service in an informal setting**



**Cake and Communion Service**



**11:00 start on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month**

**(Next takes place 10<sup>th</sup> October)**

**Ladies NIGHT**

**Ladies Social Night takes place on 3<sup>rd</sup> July**

**Ladies BIBLE STUDY**

**Ladies Bible Study meets 10am on 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> July**

**Home Groups**

**Home Groups for Bible study and prayer meet in different homes on 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> July**

Do you want to have a service to celebrate the birth of your child and how amazing they are?

We have 2 options, a Baptism or a Thanksgiving Service.

One requires an ongoing commitment to bring your child to church, the other doesn't. You choose.

Chat with Paul the vicar for more details.

**Baptism or Thanksgiving?**



# New or Visiting?

## First Time Here?

If it's your first time here then welcome! It's great to have you with us. Here are a few short notes that you might find helpful.

**Relax** - You're our guest, so make yourself at home. If there is anything that you would like to know then ask a member of the Welcome Team.

**Sign the kids in** - The Welcome Team can show you where to take your children. Sometimes we are all in church together, but on other weeks... **Pre-School**; you choose! Either stay in the service (don't worry about noise) OR use our Crèche Room at the back of church. **Ages 3+**; Sunday School meet in rooms at the end of the hall, down the ramp. All leaders have proper DBS checks.

**Fill in a Communication Card** - Drop it in the box on the Welcome Desk in the foyer or give it to the service leader on the way out. Please use it to ask questions, offer feedback or request prayer.

**We don't expect guests to give** - For those who are members or regular attenders of our churches there is usually an offering, but we don't ask our guests for any money.

**We have a Loop System** - Switch your hearing aid to T-coil. You might find it useful to sit towards the middle.

**Hang around afterwards** - Come and join us for a cup of tea or fresh coffee, and for a chat.

**Prayer Ministry** - If you would like somebody to pray with you about something for yourself or somebody that you know then there are people who would love to do so after the service. Please make yourself known to the service leader

## Next Steps

We are all on a journey through life, and our faith is no different. Depending upon where you are on your journey with God here are some 'Next Steps' you could take

**COMMIT YOUR LIFE TO CHRIST**  
Commit to follow Jesus today!

**RE-COMMIT TO CHRIST**  
It's never too late for a fresh start with faith.

**DECLARE YOUR FAITH THROUGH BAPTISM**  
If you feel you've made a commitment to God but have never been baptised, then this could be a great step for you.

**JOIN A HOMEGROUP**  
If you're not in one, there are a number of groups that meet in homes throughout the week to get to know each other better, look at the Bible and pray together.

**BE PART OF THE MISSION**  
There are lots of ways you can use your gifts to serve God, his Church and the wider community.

# Got questions about life



Alpha

#TryAlpha  
Alpha.org

We will be running Alpha Courses again in the autumn. More details will be available nearer to the time.

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