
Glossop Parish Church of All Saints

Newsletter: September 2025

Almighty God,
who 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,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

— [*Church of England Prayer for Today*](#), *Ninth Sunday after Trinity*

Services

Sunday 7th September
10.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 14th September
10.30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 21st September
10.30am Family Eucharist

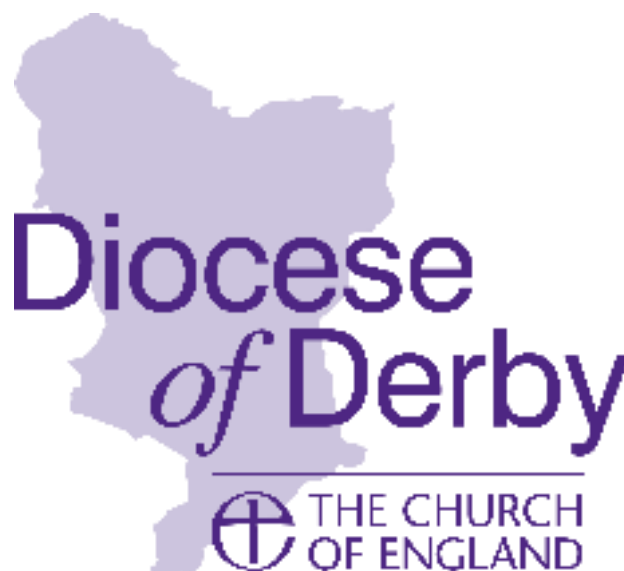
Sunday 28th September
10.00am Joint Family Eucharist at St Andrews, Hadfield
Followed by a Bring and Share lunch

Sunday 28th September
10.30am Said Morning Prayer

Due to holidays no Wednesday morning services during September.

Licensing service - 27th September - 3.00pm

The Wardens of the Parish Church of All Saints Glossop and St Andrew's Hadfield invite you to the Licensing of **Revd David Ridley as Priest-in-charge** by the Bishop of Derby, the Right Revd Libby Lane, assisted by the Archdeacon of Derbyshire Peak and Dales Revd Canon Nicky Fenton on Saturday 27th September 2025 at 3.00 pm in the Parish Church of All Saints Glossop Church Street South, Glossop, SK13 7RU.



Environmental days in September

Second Hand September & Organic September.

1. World Day of Prayer for Creation

1-5. Zero Waste Week

22 Sep - 5th Oct. Fairtrade Fortnight

16. International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone

20. World Clean Up Day

22. World Car Free Day

28. World Rivers Day

19-28. Great British Beach Clean

Creation Season



The symbol for the Season of Creation 2025 is a tree in a world of two halves. On one side, the tree is barren and the landscape exploited. On the other side, the tree is lush and green, in a flourishing landscape. Above is a dove, carrying an olive branch in its beak.

Through this year's Season of Creation, we will reflect on the connection between caring for creation and fostering peace.

To celebrate Creation Season this year we are having a photographic exhibition of nature walks by a local resident of Glossop.

The theme of Creation Season this year is Peace with Creation and we thought that it was fitting for us to illustrate our beautiful areas through word and photograph.

Sometimes we just have to stop and stand, observe and appreciate and we hope that our exhibition will bring peace and tranquillity into our lives.

Church open the first two Saturdays in September 10.00 - 12.00 and 2.00 - 4.00pm
Tea/coffee and cake available, donations towards the Tower Maintenance Project.

July Saint

August 10th is St Lawrence's day, when we celebrate another early martyr. Lawrence (sometimes Laurence) was one of the 7 deacons of Rome appointed by Pope Sixtus 11, who were martyred in 258 AD.

Lawrence had been made deacon at the young age of 32 and then Archdeacon of Rome, a position of great trust and responsibility. It was his job to look after the treasury, care for the riches of the church and distribute alms to the poor and needy.

Pope Sixtus was executed in the great persecution by Emperor Valerian who then demanded that Lawrence handed over the treasures of the church. It's said that Lawrence asked for three days to gather these together but instead distributed as much of the wealth as he could and then presented the Emperor with a collection of the crippled, blind and suffering, saying to him, 'These are the true treasures of the church'. Emperor Valerian, being very angry, had a grid iron heated and Lawrence laid upon it. Legend has it that Lawrence asked to be turned over, saying he was done on one side, but in fact the usual method of execution at that time was swift beheading, so there is some controversy as to how he really died. Nevertheless, he is often depicted in paintings and statues with a grid iron.

He is credited with many miracles and is an honoured saint of Rome as well as being a Patron Saint of Canada.

Organ update

Thank you to everybody who has donated to the organ repair fund the full amount of £1990 has been donated. Gift Aid will be claimed in due course. Please consider signing up for Gift Aid.

Swift Coffee Morning - 13th September 10.00 - 12.00 noon

During the past year along with Old Glossop Residents we have been working to help the 'swifts' in Old Glossop and surrounding areas.

We held a previous coffee morning in February where we raised over £500.00.

During the year lots of swifts boxes have been installed in Old Glossop and residents have watched the comings and goings of the birds.

Duke of Norfolk School Primary School ('Dukes')

Dukes School and our Church have a long and close relationship. Some of you may remember attending the school when it was our next-door neighbour, before it all moved to Royle Avenue.

One of the results of this significant relationship is that we are entitled and expected to provide two Foundation Governors to work alongside the 10 or so other members of the Governing Body. Our priest in charge is an ex-officio member, encouraged to lead Collective Acts of Worship whenever possible and provide pastoral advice and support.

Governors attend two full governor meetings a term and have at least one curriculum link with the appropriate School Staff Lead in that area e.g. I have had links with Literacy/Writing, Pupil Premium and RE. It is very interesting and often inspiring to see at first hand the hard work of staff and the enthusiasm of the learners.

In March 2024, the School was subject to a SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) inspection. This is authorised by the Church of England and conducted under a section of the Education Act of 2005.

This inspection found that the School is living up to its foundation as a Church school. It was extremely positive regarding the FE curriculum, 'high quality and well resourced', and judged that collective worship 'provides a range of meaningful spiritual experiences'. The two areas for development turned out to be a common finding across all Derbyshire Church Schools: Christianity to be better understood as a living global faith; a need to deepen a shared understanding of spiritual experiences to enable pupils to develop spiritually.

Our hope for the future is to be able to encourage the School to come into our Church and grounds more often, e.g. Barbara organised a very successful visit from the Early Years (Reception class) to learn all about Baptism. Potentially there is a lot more we could offer and there is a 'Green Way' or path skirting the edge of Manor Park which runs from Royle Avenue almost all the way to our Church door.

Fairtrade coffee mornings

Tea/coffee afternoon - **Glossop Parish Church** - Tuesday 23rd September - 2.00-4.00pm

Coffee Morning - **Bradbury House** - Saturday 4th October - 10.00-12.00 noon

Christian Aid's Restore Campaign

Watch the one-minute video introducing the Restore Campaign. Right now, the climate and debt crises are trapping people in poverty. The UK Government can help repair the harm being caused. It could make reckless polluters pay for climate action. It could make greedy lenders cancel debts. Hope has compelled us to stand up to injustice before. Please share the Restore Campaign:

Video: youtu.be/d44093fyLTo

Petition: christianaid.org.uk/get-involved/campaigns/restore-campaign-launch-petition

Monthly lunch is 15th September

The Norfolk Arms. The table is booked for 1pm, but lunch will not be served till 1.30-1.45pm. Note change of venue.

SEASON OF CREATION 2025 PRAYER

PEACE WITH CREATION

Creator of all,
we praise you for the gift of life
and for the faith that unites us in care for our common home.
We confess how estranged we have become—
from one another, from your Creation, and from our truest selves.
We acknowledge that our greed and destructive impulses
have fractured our relationships with you, with others, and with the Earth.
Fertile fields have become barren,
forests lie desolate,
oceans and rivers are polluted.
Thriving communities have become places of suffering,
And the Earth cries out.

For *Peace and Quiet* and more information of events, please visit:

[A Church Near You, Glossop Parish Church of All Saints.](#)

Peace and Quiet is offered online as an opportunity, whenever you need it, to take time out from the daily tasks, worries and fears which are our common experiences of life. Through words, music and pictures we encourage a time of calm 'mindfulness' and renewed hope.
