Welcome to our weekly News and Diary from the parishes of Gateshead Fell, Harlow Green and Windy Nook

5th October 2025

Thank you to all who came to St Alban's Coffee Morning for Macmillan - we raised £250. Without the support of those who make cakes, give donations and serve and help on the day - none of this would be possible!



You are invited to the Licensing of

Reverend Canon Danie Lindley

as SSM Priest in Charge, of Harlow Green,
St Ninian, Durham Diocese
and the commissioning of the clergy

and the commissioning of the clergy and lay team

At St Ninian, Harlow Green, Ivy Lane, Gateshead
On 12th October 2025
At 6pm

By the Venerable Katherine Bagnall,
Archdeacon of Sunderland

Light refreshments afterwards

Please let us know if you are able to come for catering purposes

(We would hate to run out of cake!)

stninianshg@gmail.com

Sunday 12th October 6pm

Do come along if you can for this wonderful celebration as we continue with our generosity as churches and welcome into our daily lives the people and parish of Harlow Green and those who worship there already.

HARVEST

Please bring donations either money in envelopes or food in tins/packets to be distributed across local charities. Harvest is 12th October for St Ninians and St Johns, 19th October for St Albans.



In preparation for today's act of worship, you might wish to pray privately this Ignatian Prayer for Generosity

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you most humble and hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving kindness.

We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And give us, we pray, such a sense of all your mercies that our hearts may be thankful, and that we show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

St Ignatius of Loyola

Giving regularly in each of our churches

We have spent the last week asking you to reflect on your own generosity with money, time, energy and your heart. Reflecting that all should have enough and that what we give for others, Jesus shares, should be from 'that what matters' rather than what we wouldn't notice - in other words all giving should be sacrificial.

Each of our churches has various ways for you to give regularly - the best of these is the Parish Giving Scheme - already set up in St Albans and St Johns. This allows us to get the gift aid straight way on your donation - helping with cash flow and planning.

Follow the links to find out more and set up regular giving or one off donations - or search Parish Giving Scheme and put the church's name in.

St Albans Parish Giving Scheme
St Johns Parish Giving Scheme

St NInians have envelopes where you can give regularly and will be partnering with the Parish Giving Scheme in the future.

What is happening across our parishes this week? Week beginning Sunday 5th October

Sunday services 5th October	8am BCP Service at St Johns 9.30am Service at St Johns 10am Service at St Ninians 10.30am Service at St Albans 11.30am Baptism at St Johns 12.30pm Baptism at St Albans 3.15pm Durham Cathedral - Rev Danie installed as an Honorary Canon of Durham Cathedral - all welcome
Monday	7am Morning Prayer at St Johns 1pm – 3.30pm Arts & Crafts at St Albans 4pm Evening Prayer at St Albans
Tuesday	9am Morning Prayer at St Johns 10am - 1pm Place of Welcome at St Johns 8.45pm Men's Fellowship at Greencroft Club
Wednesday	9am Morning Prayer at St Albans 6pm Food Poverty Summit at Christ Church, Felling
Thursday	9am Morning Prayer at St Ninians 6.30pm Deanery Synod - open meeting to meet the new Archdeacon Katherine Bagnall at St James and St Bede
Sunday - 12th October	8am BCP Service at St Johns 9.30am Harvest Service at St Johns 10am Harvest Service at St Ninians 10.30am Service at St Albans 2pm-4pm Messy Church at St Albans 6pm St Ninians - Danie Licensed and team is commissioned - all welcome.



We are Inclusive Churches which celebrate and affirm every person and do not discriminate. If we can do anything to enable you to enjoy worshipping with us more then please let us know.

Prayers you may want to use this week

Collect

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us: open our eyes to your wonders, that we may serve you with reverence and know your peace at our lives' end, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Parish Waymark Prayer

God of life - you make all things new.

Revive your church in our parishes.

Inspire our worship, release our gifts, and give us courage to follow where you lead.

Jesus, help us to know you better and draw us deeper into your presence.

Fill us with your Spirit so we can share your love and hope with all, and walk in the world as beacons of your light. Amen.

Prayers for those in our community For healing

Connor Buckley (aged 8), Jenny Devine, Betty Elliott, Paul Fawcus (age 1), Lindsay Forster, Joseph Gallagher, Simon Shaw, John Watts, Betty White, Laura Wicks

Our clergy team is:

Rector - Rev Danie Lindley (07902477474), **Associate Priest** - Rev Ken Coulson (07596534635), **Curates** - Rev John Mayes (07791615821) and Rev Elaine Grant (07356073876)

Our churchwardens are:

St Albans Lynn Coulson and Rob Watts
St Johns: Catherine Mayes and Yvonne Stonebank
St Ninians: Linda Smith

Our Parish Safeguarding officers are

St Albans and St Ninians: Lynn Coulson and St Johns: Catherine Mayes

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