
Glossop Parish Church of All Saints

Newsletter: June 2026

Prayer

God Who Dances in Creation
May the God who dances in creation,
Who embraces us with human love,
Who shakes our lives like thunder,
Bless us and drive us out with power
To fill the world with her justice.

*St Hilda Community
England*

Vicar's Voice

As we arrive at Pentecost, we find ourselves surrounded by the beauty and energy of late spring. The world feels awake again - trees in full leaf, flowers in bloom, and longer days filled with warmth and light. Creation itself seems to echo a message of renewal and hope. It is a very appropriate time of year for the Church to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit.

Pentecost reminds us of that extraordinary moment when the disciples, once uncertain and afraid, were filled with courage, vision, and purpose. The Holy Spirit came, transforming ordinary people into bold witnesses of God's love. It was a powerful sign that God continues to bring new life into every willing heart.

Spring offers us a living parable of this truth. Just as the earth responds to sunlight and rain, bursting into life after the barrenness of winter, so too are we invited to open ourselves to the Spirit's renewing presence.

In our own lives, the Holy Spirit often works gently rather than dramatically - nudging us toward kindness, prompting us to forgive, encouraging us to step out in faith. Yet, like the first Pentecost, these small moments can lead to transformation far beyond what we imagine.

This season, may we take time to notice both the beauty of creation around us and the quiet movement of the Spirit within. Let us pray for hearts that are open, ready to be shaped and renewed. And as we are filled with God's life-giving Spirit, may we become signs of hope, sharing that same new life with the world around us.

Services

Sunday 7th June
Parish Eucharist 10.30 am - **Foodbank Sunday**

Wednesday 10th June
Mid-week Eucharist 9.30 am

Sunday 14th June
Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

Wednesday 17th June
Mid-week Eucharist 9.30 am

Sunday 21st June
Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

Wednesday 24th June
Mid-week Eucharist 9.30 am

Sunday 28th June
Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

Beginning Saturday, 6th June at 9.30am
Morning Prayer. Everybody welcome.

Church Festivals in June

- **Feast of Corpus Christi:** Celebrates the Eucharist, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, on **June 19th**.
 - **Feast of the Birth of John the Baptist** on **June 24th** and the **Feast of Peter and Paul** on **June 29th**.
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Congratulations

To Kieran and Leanne who were married on the 24th May at Glossop Parish Church.

To Fr Norman on his 80th birthday.

We wish Kieran and Leanne every blessing on their marriage.

Vestry Meeting and APCM

On the 17th May we held our Vestry Meeting/Annual General Meeting, chaired by Fr David, where we elected officers and shared news about our mission and ministry.

The meetings took place immediately following after the 10.30am Eucharist and after service coffee. We heard about the running of All Saints Parish Church and about its vibrant community, reports received from our Bellringers, Eco-church, Involvement with our community, Churchwardens, Safeguarding team, Ladies Walking Group, Concerts , Duke of Norfolk School, Church Choir, Deanery Synod, from our Priest Fr. David , and our PCC treasurer. If you have any questions about joining All Saints Church volunteer groups or PCC, please contact The Revd David Ridley (davidridley@btopenworld.com). We would love to hear from you.

Details of all our reports are available on AChurchNearYou/GlossopParishChurch

All Saints', Glossop

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/13286/>

Results from the Vestry Meeting and APCM:

Barbara Fearnley and Michael Pycroft were elected to be Churchwardens for the coming year.

Thank you to people who have been elected to the PCC for the following year, Christine Pycroft, John Maltby, Lesley Richardson, Bridget Wright, Nathan Hargreaves, Adam Cowdy, Andrew Fearnley, Marlyn Donovan and Bee Oliver.

David Wyatt was co-opted onto the forthcoming PCC.

First PCC Meeting

Christine Pycroft was elected Treasurer, and John Maltby Secretary for the coming year.

Churchwardens

On Tuesday, 30th June at St John the Baptist, Tideswell our two Churchwardens – Barbara Fearnley and Michael Pycroft – will be admitted to the office of Churchwarden by the Archdeacon of Derbyshire Peak and Dales, the Ven. Nicky Fenton, acting on behalf of the Bishop of Derby, the Rt Revd Libby Lane. The Visitation Service not only fulfils this legal purpose but also is a public recognition of what each Churchwarden brings to the life of the parish they serve. Once admitted to the office of Churchwarden, Barbara and Mike have the authority both of Bishop Libby and of the parish for which they were elected at the Annual Meeting.

During the Visitation Service the Archdeacon, acting on behalf of the Diocesan Bishop, gives the Churchwardens the following Commission:

The Church is the body of Christ, and through baptism every member is called to ministry and to service.

You are called to special responsibilities. With your clergy, you are to share in the administration of the parish and in the care of the church buildings. You are to promote the whole mission of the Church, which is pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

These things you are called to do to the glory of God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the well-being of Christ's Church.

Mirfield Open Day

"This year the festival day in The Community of Resurrection in Mirfield, Yorkshire, is on Saturday, 4th July.

We will leave Glossop at approx 8.45am. It takes 50 minutes to drive to Mirfield from Glossop. We start with refreshments 10am before attending the main Eucharist service. After lunch (approx £15 each) there are other events, afternoon tea with cakes and finishing the day at 4pm.

This year we hope to use private cars for the journey there and back.

The itinerary isn't available yet, but if you would like to join us, please let Bee know in order that arrangements can be made.

You are welcome to ring Bee for more information if you are thinking about going, but not quite sure."

Please let Bee know if you are prepared to drive or you would like to go and need a lift.

Summer Solstice Celtic Gathering: Saturday, 20th June

Join us in the churchyard at 4pm on Saturday, 20th June as we celebrate the season when the sun is at its zenith! We will pause to consider the light in our lives.

All are welcome from all faiths and none.

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**ALL SAINTS
GLOSSOP**

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The People's Emergency Briefing

There is a new and exciting initiative sweeping the country that aims to inform people about the climate and nature crisis while at the same time giving us agency to respond, grasping the opportunities that this crisis represents, and giving our government the mandate to act.

The film, The People's Emergency Briefing, is followed by a facilitated and friendly discussion over tea and cake on the implications and opportunities for us locally.

The People's Emergency Briefing will be screened:

At – All Saints Parish Church. Church Street. Glossop. SK13 7RU On – Sunday 5th July at 3.30pm

Coffee, tea and cake will be served from 3pm.



[See More](#)

Environmental Days & Key Events

- World Environment Day 5th June
 - Great Big Green Week 6th–14th June
 - Churches Count on Nature 2026 6th–14th June 2026
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Prayers of Lament and Hope: Restoring Peace with Creation

On 5 June, the Anglican Communion Environment Network and the Anglican Peace and Justice Network are jointly hosting an online prayer meeting titled 'Prayers of Lament and Hope: Restoring Peace with Creation', to mark World Environment Day.

The online event will be held at both 08:00 and 19:00 London time (BST) for those in different time zones and is suitable for everyone interested in how conflict and environmental damage intersect.

Find out more on the Anglican Communion events calendar: www.anglicancommunion.org/events

Love your Burial Ground Week & Churches Count on Nature

Saturday, takes place on 6th to Sunday, 14th June.

Love your Burial Ground Week, a celebratory week which has been running for many years. Caring for God's Acre has been encouraging all who help to look after churchyards, chapel yards and cemeteries to celebrate these fantastic places in the lovely month of June – in any way you choose. **Churches Count on Nature 2026** runs at the same time as Love Your Burial Ground Week, and focuses on the brilliant wildlife to be found in churchyards and chapel yards. It is a joint initiative promoted by Caring for God's Acre, the Church of England, the Church in Wales and A Rocha UK.

Why not take time during the week from Saturday, 6th to Sunday, 14th June to enjoy the biodiversity of our churchyard, to look at the history of the local community recorded on the gravestones, and to be present to God?

Following on from Show the Love campaign comes Great Big Green Week.

Great Big Green Week 6th - 14th June

Welcome to Great Big Green Week 2026, when a million people – just like you – will come together to be part of a wave of actions for friends and family, climate and nature.

We can all make small swaps, large swaps and swaps that change the system, to make our communities better.

By coming together, we'll also send a message loud and clear to our politicians and decision makers that we need to swap old ways for better ways now.

We celebrate **Great Green Week** with our recycled milk bottle garden on the churchyard railings.

We have shared seeds with our congregation and neighbouring gardening groups and now waiting for our calendulas to grow.

No mow May

What happens after no Mow May?

After "No Mow May," your long grass becomes a vital haven for pollinators and wildlife, but it can quickly become overgrown. To balance garden tidiness with nature conservation, you can transition to a "Let It Bloom June" phase by mowing pathways or selectively cutting patches.

www.plantlife.org.uk

By allowing your grass to grow, wildflowers will establish in your lawn and provide essential habitat and food sources for pollinators such as bees, butterflies, and moths. Many of these insects in their adult state rely on nectar and pollen from flowers to survive, and longer grass is an important host food source for many of their caterpillars. By not mowing your lawn, you create new and valuable habitat for these important insects to thrive. In addition, longer grass and wildflowers can also support a variety of other insects such as beetles, spiders, and grasshoppers. These insects are an important food source for many birds and other animals, and they can also help to pollinate plants and break down organic matter in the soil. By allowing these insects to thrive in your lawn, you are supporting the entire food web and ecosystem of your garden.

[No Mow May: The Wildlife Benefits - Ark Wildlife UK](#)

We were happy to say that the church lawn was alive with wildflowers, which brought to mind our childhood hymn.

Daisies are our silver,
Buttercups our gold:
This is all the treasure
We can have or hold.
Raindrops are our diamonds,
And the morning dew;
While for shining sapphires
We've the speedwell blue.
Written in the 1930's by Jan Struther (the author of Mrs. Miniver).

Unfortunately the lawn has now been mowed and everything gone.

Work in the churchyard

The six week work plan in the churchyard is progressing well.

The high Rhododendron tree has been cut down which now opens up the churchyard immediately after the main gates. Hopefully we will be able to grow pollinators plants and small bushes in future.

Many of our graves have now been cleared of grass, leaves and garden litter. The reappearance of some of the graves has drawn historical interest to the churchyard with distance relatives coming forward.

Two new compost bins have been constructed, one with adjoining dead hedges on either side.

Bee Hotels are dotted around the churchyard.

The falling leaves that we collected two years ago have now turned into a fantastic leaf mould.

Leaf mould is highly fibrous, meaning it acts like a sponge to vastly improve soil structure, water retention, and microbial health.

We await the help from the payback team which is due to start.

If you would like to join us on a Saturday morning, please come along to the churchyard around 10.00am.

Bellringing Practice

The weekly bellringing practice is at 7pm on Thursdays at All Saints. If you would be interested in joining our merry band please speak to Andrew Fearnley.

Concerts This Month

Orchestra of the Peaks

SUMMER CONCERT

GLOSSOP PARISH CHURCH TUESDAY 9TH JUNE 7.30PM

Waltz No.2 from Suite for Variety Orchestra
SHOSTAKOVICH

Adagio from Spartacus
KHACHATURIAN

Horn Concerto in F "The Norwegian"
STEADMAN
solo: Liz Barras


Symphony No.8
DVORAK


EARLY BIRD - £4/£8/family £20
ON THE DOOR - £5/£10/family £25
ticketsource.co.uk/darkpeakmusicfoundation




World-class music returns to Glossop this June.

Whether you love choral music, piano, orchestral performance, or are simply looking to experience something special locally, the Summer Festival offers a welcoming and unforgettable weekend of live music.

 19–20 June 2026

 Glossop Parish Church & St James' Church

 Tickets on sale now

SUMMER FESTIVAL

19-20 JUNE 2026

WORLD-CLASS MUSIC IN THE HIGH PEAK

Communication

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A church near you - <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/13286>

Facebook - Glossop Parish Church

Communication available

Weekly newsletter

Monthly newsletter

WhatsApp groups - Environmental concerns / Festive planning

A church near you - Peace and Quiet down loaded monthly.

Please contact us if you wish to receive either newsletter or you wish to join the WhatsApp groups.

Easy fundraising

Help raise much needed funds for Glossop Parish Church.

When you shop online with participating retailers, they'll donate part of what you spend to your chosen cause. Whether you shop on your phone, laptop or tablet, you can earn free cashback donations for your cause.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-1/?char=17040&invite=3B8ZBP&referral-campaign=c2s>

Home Communion: If you know of anyone who would like to receive Holy Communion in their own home, please contact a member of the ministry team.

Ministry Team

VICAR: The Revd David Ridley
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Honorary Assistant Priest:
The Revd Norman Shaw

Readers:

John Roberts
Margaret Roberts
Vince Ryder

For more information about our activities please see [A Church Near You](#).

St Andrew's, Hadfield
<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/13287/>

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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.

Lord, you sent your
Spirit to live in me.

May I be confident as
you work through me
in my everyday life.



Lectio 365

Pray the Bible, every day.