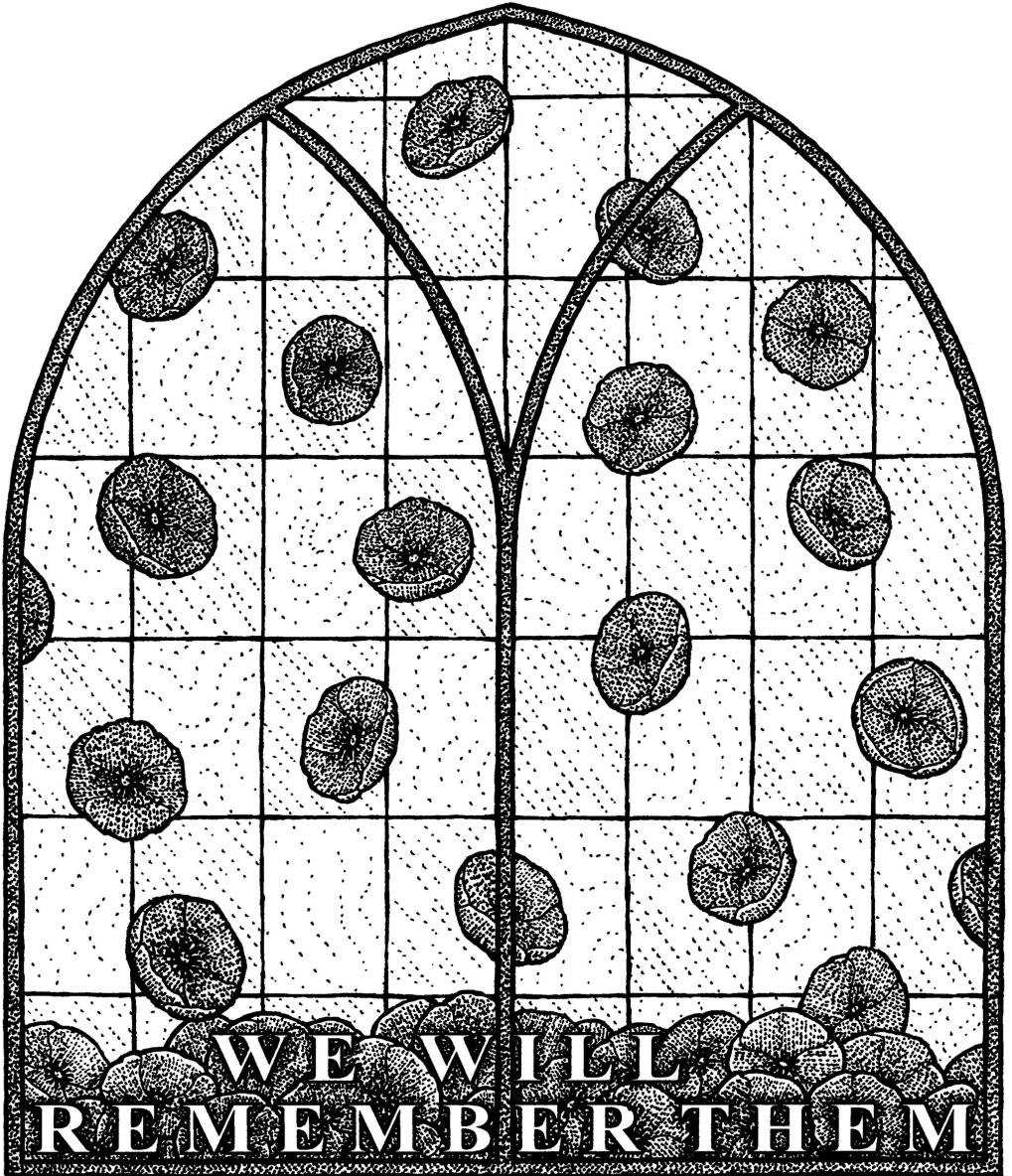


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All Saints Hurworth Newsletter November 25

All Saints Hurworth, St John the Baptist Low Dinsdale and All Saints Girsby,
working with St George and St Lawrence, Middleton St George



Thought for the Month

In November we enter the annual season of Remembrance for our churches and our nation, culminating in Remembrance Sunday on the 9th of November. As I write this piece in early October, I do so against the backdrop of the escalation in the conflict in the Middle East which has become a dreadful reality for many millions of people in Israel and Gaza. We are all grappling with the horrors unfolding daily which are portrayed in the media together the stories of suffering, of loss and grief and the utter hopelessness that many feel as homes, livelihoods and loved ones are taken on both sides. Yet again, as in the ongoing war in Ukraine, we see the dreadful human cost of war. It seems that we have learnt so little over the years from the conflicts in two World Wars, in Bosnia, Afghanistan, Iraq, The Falklands, the conflicts in Northern Ireland, Syria, and so many more which we will recall again on Remembrance Sunday.

In such dark days where can we find hope?

In times of trouble many of us turn to God, and ask the questions that have no answers, and pray for peace. I believe that God weeps with those who weep and stays close to those who ask for his presence with them. I believe God longs for the day when humanity turns away from the foolishness and futility of war and seeks real and lasting peace across a world that so needs God's peace.

Today, and in the days to come I will continue to pray for peace in Israel, Gaza, Ukraine and beyond, across our world. I do not know what will have happened by the time you read this, possibly peace in Gaza, but I hope that you will share with me in that prayer and that, even now, nations at war will turn back to seek God's way of peace.

May God fill you with the hope of peace in a troubled world.

John De Martino



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MAIN HALL

SAT 1st Nov.

10.00-12.00

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A VILLAGE TO HELP
SOMEONE BECOME
A LATE BLOOMER.*

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Remembrance

In November we come to remember
How war tore our country apart,
From village and town and all around
Men and boys left home and hearth.
Mothers and wives and sisters all
Saw their brave young men go away,
For some it meant the ultimate price
As they gave their tomorrows for our today.
Another Man left His home above
To rescue this world from sin,
It cost Him His life which He freely gave
So new life could enter in.
In this world there will always be war,
But the time will surely be
When the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
As the waters cover the sea.

By Megan Carter



Church Services in Hurworth,



Middleton St George, Low Dinsdale and Girsby NOVEMBER 2025

Sun 2 nd	MSG Academy	9.15 ^{AM}	Morning Worship
	Hurworth	11.00 ^{AM}	Holy Communion
	Hurworth	4.00 ^{PM}	Memorial Service
Tues 4 th	Hurworth	8.15 ^{AM}	Morning Prayer
Sun 9 th	MSG Academy	10.00 ^{AM}	Remembrance Service
	Hurworth	10.00 ^{AM}	Remembrance Service
	Hurworth	11.00 ^{AM}	Laying of the Wreaths
Tues 11 th	Hurworth	8.15 ^{AM}	Morning Prayer
Sun 16 th	MSG Academy	9.15 ^{AM}	Morning Worship
	Low Dinsdale	9.30 ^{AM}	Holy Communion
	Hurworth	11.00 ^{AM}	All Age Worship
	Girsby	11.15 ^{AM}	Holy Communion
Tues 18 th	Hurworth	8.15 ^{AM}	Morning Prayer
Sun 23 rd	MSG Academy	9.15 ^{AM}	Holy Communion
	Hurworth	11.00 ^{AM}	Morning Worship
	Low Dinsdale	4.00 ^{PM}	Evensong
Tues 25 th	Hurworth	8.15 ^{AM}	Morning Prayer
Sun 30 th	MSG Academy	9.15 ^{AM}	Cafe Church
	Hurworth	11.00 ^{AM}	Morning Worship

Link to Hope Shoe Box Appeal

Where to bring your boxes

Church will be open to receive boxes

Friday 7th November 3pm -4pm

Saturday 8th November 10am-11am 3pm-4pm

Sunday 9th November from 9am

(Remembrance service starts at 10am)

Thank you for your support.

TIME FOR A SMILE

Hear, hear

A very deaf elderly man was finally fitted out with a hearing aid that really worked. A month later his doctor called him in for a check-up. “Your family must be really pleased that you can hear again.”

The gentleman replied, “Oh, I haven’t told my family yet. I just sit around and listen to the conversations. I’ve changed my will three times!”

Where there’s smoke...

At our church, it was common for the minister to invite the children to the front of the church and have a small lesson before beginning the sermon. He would often bring in a household item, and then relate it to a teaching from the Bible.

One morning, the visual aid for his lesson was a smoke detector. He asked the children if anyone knew what it meant when an alarm sounded from the smoke detector. My young son immediately raised his hand. “It means Daddy’s cooking dinner.”

ZOOM WORSHIP

The 11.00 Services at All Saints Hurworth are available on Zoom. For joining instructions contact:
juliahclarke@aol.com

BONFIRE NIGHT

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents has provided the following tips to help families stay safe while they are having Bonfire Night fun...

Young people should watch and enjoy fireworks at a safe distance and follow the safety rules for using sparklers. Only adults should deal with firework displays and the lighting of fireworks. They should also take care of the safe disposal of fireworks once they have been used. Here are some other things to bear in mind on the night:

1. Plan your firework display to make it safe and enjoyable.
2. Keep fireworks in a closed box and use them one at a time.
3. Read and follow the instructions on each firework, using a torch if necessary.
4. Light the firework at arm's length with a taper, and stand well back.
5. Keep naked flames, including cigarettes, away from fireworks.
6. *Never* return to a firework once it has been lit.
7. Don't put fireworks in pockets and never throw them.
8. Direct any rocket fireworks well away from spectators.
9. *Never* use paraffin or petrol on a bonfire.

Make sure that the fire is out and surroundings are made safe before leaving

From the Parish Records

Funeral

16th Sept 25 Gillian Hepplewhite

At Darlington Crematorium

Baptism

28th Sept 25 George Oliver Yare

Wedding

10th Oct 25 Jack Leah to

Emanuela Stemate



BOOKS

BOOKS WANTED FOR CHURCH FETE

Phone 07791 193218

Any unsold will be taken to the Lions charity bookshop in Darlington



Hurworth Parish Council

The Council is pleased to report that Peter Williamson has re-joined the Council, and will be taking on the role of Tree maintenance and upkeep.

There is still one vacancy, and this will be advertised this month. Ideally the Council would like a person who is interested in the young people, and assist in helping the Council to provide more activities for the youths in our village.

The Parish Plan is moving ahead, a Special Meeting was held, and this studied the information which the residents had responded to the surveys.

There are still a few topics, which are under discussion, and it is hoped that the final version will be completed by the end of October.

A public meeting will then be called, when all residents can attend a presentation of the 5-year Plan, and a vote of Acceptance will be tabled.

Members of the crew of HMS Hurworth intend to come to Hurworth on Remembrance Day Sunday on 9th November. This will depend upon the ship's sailing orders

Prayer for November 2025

Heavenly Father,

Here we are in November – the month of short, dark days. A dreary, difficult month, unless you have a birthday! Lord, it seems as if the world is permanently in November at the moment. So much is so difficult for so many people, through no fault of their own. And it seems to go on and on.

Lord, would You bring your healing light into the world's darkness. Bring transformation, compassion and a softening into the hearts of those with responsibility for the conflict and the suffering, that they might work for peace for all people. We know that nothing is impossible for you, Lord, so we pray in faith – and in the name of Jesus.

Amen

By Daphne Kitching

Hurworth Village Diary

Nov 25

Sat 1st

All Saints Autumn Fair

The Grange

Lots of stalls and fun things to do for all ages

Entry by donation

10.00 - 12.00pm

Autumn Craft Fair

Village Hall

Free entry to view lots of local crafts

10.30 - 2.00pm

for info on taking a table contact Bill on 07799 467817

The Stones Story - Rolling Stones Tribute

7.30pm

Tickets £15 inc supper from Grange Bar or Office

Sun 2nd

Cinema on your Doorstep

Village Hall

"A Complete Unknown" The story of Bob Dylans rise to fame by hitchhiking to New York to see his music idol, Woody Guthrie

Entry by donation

3.00pm

Soup and friendly company prior to film

2.00pm

Fri 7th

Remembrance Concert with Hurworth Concert Band

Tickets from band or the Grange Office on 01325 720840

£10

doors 7.00pm

Sun 30th

Hurworth Grange Christmas Fair

Stalls throughout the Grange - free entry

10.00 - 2.00pm

Sun 30th

Children's Lantern Parade

from 4.30pm

From All Saints Church to the Village Green to switch on the Christmas Tree lights. Meet at All Saints@4.30pm followed by the lights switch on at 5.00pm.

For more details contact Bill on 07799 467817 or email bill.drumm60@gmail.com

Dec 25

Sun 7th

Cinema on your Doorstep

Village Hall

"Conclave" starring Anthony Hopkins. The trials and tribulations of trying to select a new Pope!!

Entry by donation

3.00pm

Soup and friendly company prior to film

2.00pm

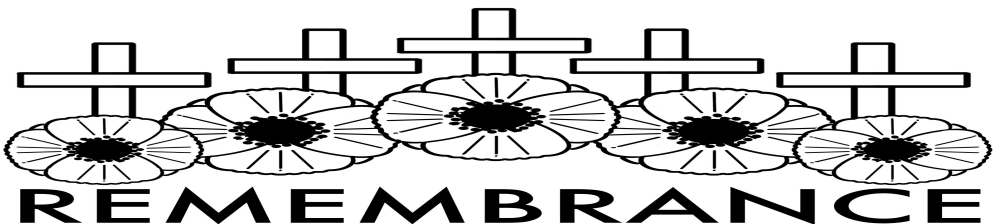
Sat 13th

Christmas Wreath Making Workshop

Village Hall

More details from Barbara Lawrence

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Sewing Group

Tuesday 1.30-3pm

Tai Chi

Wednesday 10-11am

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Friday 9.30-11am

Coffee and Conversation

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OPENING HOURS

Monday-Friday 9-3

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Christmas Opening and Services

24th - 9am-12pm

25th - Family Service 10-
11.30am

26th - Closed

27th - Church Coffee Morning
10-12pm

28th - Closed

29th - Closed

30th - Closed

31st - New Years Eve Walk 10am
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