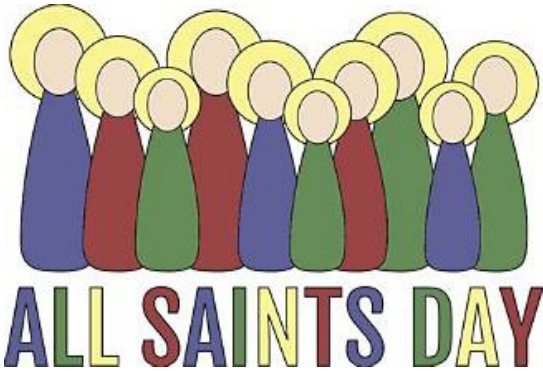

ANGLICAN PARISH OF HALSWELL PREBBLETON

Sunday 1 November 2026, All Saints Day
'Living God's Word, Gathering Community.'

All Saints: 9.00am (NZPB476) & Grace@10.30am: Rev John Shoaf
St Marys:10.30am: Rev Andrew Hoggan
Service Leaders: Jenny Fletcher (All Saints), Anne Gough (St Marys)



READINGS - ALL SAINTS

1 John 3:1-3: See what love the Father has given us.
Matthew 5:1-12: The Beatitudes.

READINGS - ST MARYS

Romans 10: 1 - 4, 11-14,
Colossians 1: 15 - 23

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Gracious Lord, as we remember those who have gone before us, we ask for your guidance and your blessing that we too may become examples for your people in this day; in Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

SENTENCE

For this is the message you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. 1 John 3:11

COLLECT

God, we give you praise and glory for all your saints who have followed the way of Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. May we learn from their example and rejoice in your call to us to bring your kingdom to all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



All are welcome to share in Communion with us today, and everyone is invited to share a time of fellowship and morning tea after the service.



Following the service at St Mary's, a small prayer team is available at the front of the church for individual prayer. Whether you are facing a challenge, giving thanks, seeking encouragement, or need prayer for family or friends, you are warmly invited to stay and pray with someone confidentially.

PARISH CALENDAR

Tues 3 Nov	9.30am	Walking Group, Prebbleton
Wed 4 Nov	10.00am	Communion Service, St Marys
Wed 4 Nov	11.00am	Parish Belles
Fri 6 Nov	9.45am	Lil Boppers, St Mary's
Fri 6 Nov	10.30am	Anthony Wilding Service
Fri 6 Nov	6.15pm	DOMINOS, Laser Strike
Sat 7 Nov		Election Day voting at St Marys
Sun 8 Nov	5.00pm	Riding on Faith, Prebbleton
Sun 22 Nov	5.00pm	Final AMPED for the year, St Marys
Sun 29 Nov	4.00pm	Journey to Christmas, St Marys

Banbury Park Service: Rev John is asking for a volunteer to assist with the service he leads at Banbury Park Retirement Village. 20-30 people attend this service, which is held at 3 pm, 2nd & 4th Wednesdays. Please let him or the office know if you can help.

REFLECTION

I realise we are getting uncomfortably close to the time where folk are in the lead up to Christmas, and the fanatic activity that sometimes accompanies it. Yes the word “fanatic” seems an odd word to use. I actually meant to write the word “frenetic” but when my auto correct popped in fanatic I thought, you know what that will do, and off I went along another path. To know the true meaning of Christmas certainly does not save folk sometimes being very busy indeed. It does not save folk from the tensions that often surface as folk are forced together and the Christmas spirit of the liquid kind flows freely. To know the true meaning of Christmas, or more importantly to know the one Christmas points to, is to have perspective and peace. Perspective in knowing that life is not just about the accumulation of things. Further, our throwing ourselves into things, at a level that would have to be said is fanatical at times, with not bring us the peace or satisfaction we are all longing for. At best it's a diversion. It saves us thinking about important things. I heard of a fellow recently, a well loved and humorous fellow, who often asked his host at a dinner party, “have you thought about your death lately?” Quite the show stopping question apparently. It is said that the job of the pastor is to prepare people for their death. Or more correctly for what comes next. Our secular world will freely acknowledge the fact that two things are certain in life, death and taxes. They are 2/3rds right. Death, taxes and lets not forget judgement. Frenetic activity, fanatical beliefs may help with the first two. Only Jesus will help with the third.

Blessings, Andrew

All Saints Day - Sunday 1 November. today we remember loved ones who we have lost this year and in previous years.

If you have a loved one whose name you wish to be read in church as part of the service please let the Vicar know on the day.



JOURNEY TO Christmas

Family Event at St Marys, Sunday 29 November at 4pm

We are planning to hold a free community event for families which will involve games, crafts, songs and a sausage sizzle.

We will need lots of help and support to make this happen so please consider where you can help, can you donate time or resources? Maybe you can help on the day, or donate something for the sausage sizzle or activities. Chat to Marco or Jenny if you want to know more, or want to get involved. More details to come! Please pray for the team as they plan and organise this community outreach initiative.



The Fair total is currently \$10,304 - a great effort. Thank you to all those who have helped with disposal of left over items and packing away items for next year.

FOUND - a 3 x 3 gazebo is still at the hall, there is no name on this so please let the office know if it belongs to you. a pair of sunglasses were also left at the fair.

FROM THE TREASURER

Financial report at Quarter 3, Sept 2026

Offertories/Donations: \$79,674

Rents and Other: \$43,089

Gillatt Trust: \$26,595

TOTAL Income: \$149,348

Total Expenses: \$198,341

Deficit: **\$48,983**

Notes: Fair income of approx \$10,000 has since been received. A grant from the R & J Gillatt Trust is for buildings only but will help our budget.



Prebbleton Growth Group

Meets at 7.00pm second and fourth **Wednesday**. Hosted by Veve at 8 Skye Lane Prebbleton. All Welcome.

Halswell Growth Group

Meets at 7.00pm second and fourth **Thursday**. Hosted by Anna and Chris: 18 Augustine Drive, Aidanfield. All Welcome

Next Sunday, 8 November 2026, 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
All Saints: 9.00am, (NZPB 404), St Marys: 10.30am: Rev John Shoaf
Grace@ 10.30: Rev Andrew Hoggan

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13 - 18, Matthew 25: 1 - 13

Readings: Grace@10.30: Colossians 2: 6 - 19, John 1: 14 - 18

Roster for Sunday 8 November: 9am, All Saints and 10.30, St Mary's

	Leader	Reading	Communion	Welcome	Morning Tea
9.00am	L Stewart	J Fletcher	L Stewart	C Morrall	Rosalie
10.30am	S Mosley	L Gough	S Mosley	R Hubbard/	Trudi/
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Church Donations

Your regular donations to the church can be made in cash, envelope or automatic payment. Please email the Parish recorder, Simon Scoulding, for a reference number or any queries. (simon.scoulding@gmail.com)
All donations qualify for a tax rebate and receipts are sent out at the end of the financial year.

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