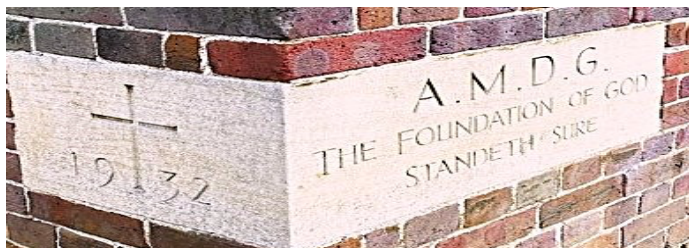


**All Saints' North Hillingdon**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2024 • 25/28 ordinary**  
**time**



*This week's readings remind us of how we should live as people of God in the world. In the Wisdom passage the godly call themselves children of God, believe in the 'wages of holiness' and know the secret purposes of God. Jeremiah remains the 'gentle lamb' despite all that happens to him. The psalmist trusts in God his helper, who delivers him. In James, the wise are gentle, pure, peaceable, willing to yield, full of mercy and produce a harvest of righteousness. In the gospel the greatest leader welcomes the little children. None of us are perfect, but the encouragement and promise is: "Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you".*

**NHWS HYMNS AT 10 O'CLOCK**

Gathering	332	All Hail the Power (omit 2,3)
Gradual	320	O Perfect Love
Offertory	439	Praise to the Holiest (omit 3)
Comm.	328	God be in my head (omit 2,3)
Sending	461	There is wideness

**Notices This week**

Today! Macmillan coffee morning.	In Church Hall after service
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept 10am service + tea 'n cake	Reverend Ulric Gerry
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> Sept Harvest Lunch after Church	Sign up in church + donation
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> October OFRA quiz night	Jane Turnbull Booking essential!
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> October Healing Service	Revd Michael Bolley
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> October @ 5pm Fireworks display	John Arnold Church gardens
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov All Saints Christmas Bazaar	Church Hall 12-3pm

**Giving / BOILER UPDATE**

Our 40-year-old boiler is no longer serviceable and needs replacing. The cost is around £30,000, which we do not have in reserves. It would warm our hearts if you would consider increasing your weekly offering, or a one-off donation to:

**"All Saints Church Hillingdon Parish Church"**  
**Sort Code: 20-89-16 a/c number: 00107344**

**THIS WEEK'S INTERCESSIONS**

**We lift up to the Lord all who are being cared for in this parish, in particularly those who have asked for our prayers;**

*Michael Worrell, Simon Matthews, Barbara Skelton, David Rance, Joan Taylor, Daphne Dix; Macey Ann Brazil, Veronica Samuels, Gill Mayer; Beverly Leavy, Hazel & Helen Parris, Lynn Taylor, Mark Callaghan, Susie Bromham, Georgie Isaiah, Marion Fogell and John Clarke.*

**May they know your grace, strength, blessing healing and salvation**



**We remember those whose anniversary falls at around this time;** *Arthur Briaris, May Nuttall, Eileen Maunder, Stuart Milne, Jessica Johnson.*

**MAGAZINE EDITOR REQUIRED!**

John is stepping down from editing the church magazine, so if anyone feels inspired to take up the reins, let us know.

**VISITS / HOME COMMUNION**

If you know of anyone who needs a visit, home communion or prayer, please let me know; Rev Ulric Gerry 01895 262024 [ulricgerry@icloud.com](mailto:ulricgerry@icloud.com)

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## COLLECT

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find  
their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts and draw us  
to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heavenly  
city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
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.

## FIRST READING

Either **Wisdom of Solomon**

**1:16 – 2:1. 12-22**

*A reading from the book of Wisdom.*

The ungodly by their words and deeds summoned death; considering him a friend, they pined away and made a covenant with him, because they are fit to belong to his company. For they reasoned unsoundly, saying to themselves, "Short and sorrowful is our life, and there is no remedy when a life comes to its end, and no one has been known to return from Hades. Let us lie in wait for the righteous man, because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions; he reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training. He professes to have knowledge of God, and calls himself a child of the Lord. He became to us a reproof of our thoughts; the very sight of him is a burden to us, because his manner of life is unlike that of others, and his ways are strange. We are considered by him as something base, and he avoids our ways as unclean; he calls the last end of the righteous happy, and boasts that God is his father. Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life; for if the righteous man is God's child, he will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries. Let us test him with insult and torture, so that we may find out how gentle he is, and make trial of his forbearance. Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected." Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray, for their wickedness blinded them, and they did not know the secret purposes of God, nor hoped for the wages of holiness, nor discerned the prize for blameless souls.

Or **Jeremiah 11:18-20**

*A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.*

It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!" But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Or **Proverbs 31:10-end**

**PSALM Psalm 54**

**R** Behold, God is my helper.

Save me, O God, by your name and vindicate me by your power. Hear my prayer, O God; give heed to the words of my mouth. For strangers have risen up against me, and the ruthless seek after my life; they have not set God before them. **R**

Behold, God is my helper; it is the Lord who upholds my life. May evil rebound on those who lie in wait for me; destroy them in your faithfulness. **R**

An offering of a free heart will I give you and praise your name, O Lord, for it is gracious. For he has delivered me out of all my trouble, and my eye has seen the downfall of my enemies. **R**

**SECOND READING**

**James 3:13 – 4:3. 7-8a**

*A reading from the letter of James.*

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom

from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

**GOSPEL Mark 9:30-37**

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.*

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

**POST COMMUNION**

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



Be - hold, God is my help - er.