

**All Saints Parish Church, Kings Heath
Epiphany 3
22nd January 2017**



Welcome to all visitors. Everyone is welcome to coffee after the service

Next Sunday our preacher is Mike Cheesbrough. After thirty two years as a Reader, passing a significant birthday, next Sunday he retires, becoming Reader Emeritus. Do come to celebrate such a significant, loyal, diligent ministry.

Services this Week: Epiphany 3

8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Communion
6.30pm Evening Prayer

Morning Prayer: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00am
Saturday 9.15am

Wednesday Holy Communion 11.30am

Services next Week: Epiphany 4

Candlemas
8.00am Holy Communion
10.00am Parish Communion
6.30pm Evening Prayer

COLLECT :

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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. **Amen**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 9: 1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

This is the Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 4: 12-23

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and

shadow of death light has dawned.” From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

This is the Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you O Christ

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

MEDITATION

My only questions are these : Is your heart right with God? Is your faith filled with the energy of love? Is your heart right toward your neighbour? Do you show your love by your works? As you have time and opportunity do you do good to all, neighbours or strangers, friends or enemies, good or bad? Do you do them all the good you can to the uttermost of your power?

John Wesley

PRAYERS:

WE PRAY:

- that we may put divisions aside
- that we may join with other Christians in showing the love of Christ to the world
- for the troubled parts of the world, and those who are working for peace
- for the people of the United States at this time of change

- we remember before God those who are ill Bob Ebbitts, Lovetta Campbell, Mary Goodhall, Pauline Elcock, Yvonne Ford, Val Hems, Josephine Hickin, Kathryn Steventon, Helen Ross, Helen McMahon and those for whom we regularly pray Jannette Cunningham-Green, Teresa, Clare Moody, Derreck Brown and Betty Tilley
- we remember those who have come to the end of their journey here on earth Colin Seeley and Betty Cocks and in our Year's Mind Arnold Holland, Margaret Blockley, Constance Wilson, Dilys Shirley, George Wright, Eric Burton, Beatrice Gill, Roy Houghton, Elizabeth Arthur, Winifred Moseley, Philip Fitter and Harriet Crumpton

Room on the Broom Family Day is on Saturday 28th January in the church 10:00am-12:30pm. It's ideal for young families, involving crafts, storytelling, reading and play areas, refreshments and more. Please invite people along, and ANY HELPERS ON THE DAY would be hugely appreciated, please let me know if you're available to help supervise a craft table or generally mingle and welcome new people. Email: emily.childrensworker@gmail.com / 07739 018908. Thank you! Em

The Youth Project is looking for any sports/fitness mats that anyone may have spare - bought with good intentions but now stuck at the back of cupboards. This is for a new fitness programme we are starting. If you can help please give them to Mary or Brian or take them to the young peoples centre. If you would like them to be collected then phone 07801067362 or email s.marymiles@btintetnat.com. Thank you in anticipation

"MAY DAY - MAY DAY A day in the life of the RNLI" A talk and video presentation in Church this Wednesday afternoon **January 25th at 2.30pm**. What does the Royal National Lifeboat Institution do? How is it funded? Why is it so important?

Come and find out more Admission includes tea, coffee and cake. Just £2.50 per person. Tickets from Pam Coley, Des Workman or pay on the door.

'Crafternoons'! An hour after school for primary (lower secondary is fine!) school aged children with Emily in the All Saints Cafe. First and third

Tuesdays 4-5pm for games, crafts, discussion and fun. Feb dates: 7th, extended 3-5pm session for half-term on 21st. Suggested donation £2 per person, PLEASE BOOK TO LET EMILY KNOW YOUR CHILD IS COMING. *If you're interested in helping at these sessions please let me know. Thank you! Contact details above. Em

GRAVE TALK "Those of us who took up the invitation to attend this time last year, found it a stimulating evening. We formed up into discussion groups, and each group had a set of questions to discuss, which could be taken in random order, groups covering different topics. Some of these were not about death directly, but led into thought about what we found important, and how we might react to situations and issues. The talk was open, friendly and easy, and the groups were small enough for all to participate with as much or as little as they felt able and willing. The meeting attracted a small group, but it was felt that it would be well worth repeating, so that those of us who did go might have the chance to cover more of the questions, and also to enable others who did not get there, to have the chance. If anyone thought that it might be threatening or difficult, having tried it, it is clear that they need have no reservations." The next meeting will be in the Robin Centre on Thursday 2nd Feb starting at 7.30 pm. with light refreshments available from 7.15 pm. If you have any questions please see Alan or David.

Walking The Cistercian Way: Thoughts on a Pilgrimage. Talk by the Revd Andy Delmege Saturday 28th January, 2017, 7.30pm, St Bede's Church Doversley Road Birmingham B14 6NN.

All Welcome! Collection for the work of Llanfair Uniting Church

JUNK, JUMBLE and BOOKS Saturday February 25th 10am until 2pm in the Church Hall Come and find some collectables, come and browse the full selection of books we have and bag a bargain, come and get a bargain! we want your unwanted gifts, your quality jumble, your knick knacks you no longer need, whether it is an old radio, a unwanted pair of garden shears or the picture of the Algarve from a long a go holiday - bring it to Church and we can sell it and raise money for All Saints at our Junk Jumble and Book Sale. (if you cannot get it to church- we can collect) for more information speak to Des Workman, Tony Cocks, Pam Coley or Sarah Wilson or phone 443 5292

All Saints Community Arts is privileged to display a small exhibition of work by the internationally renowned Egyptian artist Omar Elfayoumi by kind permission of the artist himself . Primarily a portrait painter , Omar is fascinated by ordinary people , and particularly those who frequent the coffee houses of Cairo . It is therefore highly appropriate that this exhibition is displayed in our own community cafe at All Saints Centre. Curated by Janice Rider." Paintings from Cairo " will be showing in the Welcome Space from Monday January 9 - February 26 2017 Open daily from 09.30 - 5.30 pm and after Sunday services .

Join 'All Saints Children and Families' group on Facebook, and follow @allsaintsfamily on Twitter for updates on our ministry with children and families.

Rolling Calendar

Wed 25th May Day May Day Talk in church 2.00pm
Sat 28th Family Day 10.00am – 12.30pm in church
Anthem Workshop 2.00pm – 4.00pm

February

Thurs 2nd Knitted Christmas Tree dismantled

Cards – All Saints no longer recycles cards, birthday, Christmas or any other occasion cards. Please dispose of them with your household recycling. **PLEASE do not leave them in church.** *Thank you*

Power for Good

Second Project: Solar panels for the rear roof of New Life Baptist Church, Kings Heath

Power for Good is a registered, not-for-profit Community Benefit Society. We install solar panels on the roofs of churches and other buildings belonging to faith communities. This reduces their fuel bills and their carbon footprint. Our first project, completed in 2015, raised enough money to install photo-voltaic panels at St Richard's, Lea Hall, and St Andrew's West Bromwich. We are now receiving income from the Feed-in Tariff from these installations.

In 2017 a second project: the installation of solar panels on the rear roof of New Life Baptist Church on the High St, swings into action. For this we are looking for investments (minimum £250, maximum £5,000 per person or organisation) totalling £24,600. Each investment is withdrawable, subject to decision of Board. The Share Offer closing date is 13th March, 2017. We would like to invite you to invest in this project. For full details and a copy of the Share Offer Document, please visit our website, www.pfg.coop, phone 0121 241 5830 or email powerforgood.coop@gmail.com. Our business plan includes provision for a 2% return on your investment from Year Four. See Margaret Healey-Pollett if you would like to discuss this further.

Recycling at All Saints: We recycle the following materials:
Old stamps for charity (main beneficiary is St. Mary's Hospice)
Redundant mobile phones for Christian Aid
Spare knitting wool
Clean jam jars required by Craft Group
please don't throw these items away – help a good cause
this notice sheet is printed on sustainably sourced paper



Communion: Gluten-free wafers are now available, please mention to a member of the clergy before the service if you would prefer a gluten-free wafer when taking Communion



Parking: Our site is wonderfully busy during the week. Grateful for that activity, then, this is a reminder to ourselves as congregation members that parking is not generally available at All Saints when the Medical Centre and Robin Centre are open. Apart from disabled parking, loading and unloading, we encourage church family to park elsewhere if at all possible.

PHOTOGRAPHY: Photographs may occasionally be taken by our photographer during services. They are to record our church's story and may be used for publicity. If you do not wish your picture or that of your

child to be used, please speak to a Sidesperson or Churchwarden. We respectfully ask that others do not take photographs at church without permission

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