



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

Services this Week: Second Sunday of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Evening Prayer

Morning Prayer: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
Saturday 9.15am

Wednesday: Holy Communion 11.30am

Services next Week: Third Sunday of Easter

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Evening Prayer

COLLECT :

Almighty Father, you have given your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of your Son Jesus Christ 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: Acts 2: 14a, 22-32

Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd. “You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know— this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. For David says concerning him, ‘I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope. For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One experience corruption. You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’ “Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, ‘He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption.’ This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

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

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1: 3-9

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honour when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

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

GOSPEL READING: John 20: 19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Lord God our Father, through our Saviour Jesus Christ you have assured your children of eternal life and in baptism have made us one with him: deliver us from the death of sin and raise us to new life in your love, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen**

MEDITATION:

For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead. James 2.26

PRAYERS:

WE PRAY FOR:

- those who find 'Faith' a difficult idea to work with
- those who find it difficult to accept that 'God' has a predetermined plan.
- those for whom the idea for Resurrection is problematic
- those who seek the Jesus of reality through the window of scripture
- those who work for Justice and Peace, both for the present and the future
- those parts of the world which know no peace,
- those who distort 'religion' into an excuse for violence
- those parts of the world which are starved of resources
- those who see nothing wrong in making profit from environmental damage or arms trading
- we remember before God those who are ill Bob Ebbitt, Loveta Campbell, Val Hems, Josephine Hickin, Kathryn Steventon, Helen Ross, Helen McMahon and those for whom we regularly pray Jannette Cunningham-Green, Teresa, Clare Moody, Dereck Brown and Betty Tilley
- we remember those who have died and in our Year's Mind Edwin Price, William Baynes, Gwen Hancocks, Florence Ashdown, George Gayther, Doris Cowley and Frederick Jones

HAVE YOU GOT GREEN FINGERS? We would like to sell plants at the All Saints Summer Fun Day on 24 June so if you or anyone you know would be willing to grow or donate some plants for us to sell it would be greatly appreciated. We also plan to hold the Wheelbarrow Competition again this year so if you have a wheelbarrow you could lend us please let Sarah 07914667651, Des 0121 443 5292 or anyone on the Social and Fundraising Committee.

Rolling Calendar

April

Sun 30th After Church conversation

HELP! Spring has sprung and the Village Square Volunteer Gardening Group is continuing their work to improve the environment. But we need help. Would you like to spring into action this spring and join us? We are a friendly, enthusiastic group who meet every Wednesday morning outside All Saints from 10.00 – 1.00 (incl tea and coffee break). Previous experience is not essential, just a willingness to work with the team, a sense of fun and good humour. If you are interested come along and join us on Wednesday to find out more.

ASYP: Donations for Tombola: ASYP will be having a monthly stall at the Farmers Market throughout the year and need unwanted gifts and unused items for a Tombola. All the funds raised will go towards Celebrating ASYP 20th Anniversary Year.

They will be doing many events over the next year and it will end with an evening of celebration.

All events will be added to All Saints Outlook once we have confirmed them. Please hand any donations in to the Welcome Desk or the Youth Project office.

Bernard Davis 's photographic exhibition " INTIMATE DETAILS "

which represents elements of a restored flaxmill in Dungiven , Northern Ireland continues in the Welcome Space until 28 May On Sunday May 7 Bernard Davis and Najma Hush will present a special reading of some of their poetry after church service in All Saints Centre at 11.15 am . The Welcome Space is open daily from 9.00 - 5.00 pm and after Sunday services .The forthcoming exhibition will be CORE CONTRASTS , paintings by Paula Gabb From 28 May - 9 July 2017

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

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

There are places available on **Weekend Silent Retreat, 19th-21st May**
'Meeting Jesus'

at Shallowford House, Stone, Staffordshire, ST15 0NZ

6pm Friday - 4.30pm Sunday, *with guided Gospel meditations and optional individual interview, exploration of the labyrinth and art facilities*

Guides; Rob Hingley, Juliet Fletcher and Enid Thomas

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is a Jubilee Congregation,

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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

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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*

All Saints no longer collects aluminium foil for recycling and this is now being done by Birmingham City Council. So in future please put your clean foil into your domestic recycling bins. PLEASE do not leave in Church

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



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.