



**All Saints Parish Church, Kings Heath
Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity
17th September 2017**

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

Before the service the choir will sing 361 Jesus, stand among us at the meeting of our lives. You are very welcome to join in this and the hymns during communion.

Services this Week: Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Evening Prayer

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

Wednesday: Holy Communion 11.30am

Services next Week: Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Evening Prayer

COLLECT :

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth, 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: Genesis 50:15-21

Realising that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

SECOND READING: Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do

you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 18:21-35

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in one prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

MEDITATION:

"We would like to share with you two simple truths:

- 1. There is nothing that cannot be forgiven.*
- 2. There is no one undeserving of forgiveness." Desmond and Mpho Tutu*

PRAYERS:

WE PRAY FOR:

For our personal prayers this week I invite you to think of a current political leader or figure whom you find hardest to forgive. Give yourself time enough to reach a point where you can pray for them

- we remember before God those who are ill Huxley Brennan, Vi Pitcher, Joan Mendham, Lovetta Campbell, Val Hems, Josephine Hickin, Kathryn Steventon, Helen Ross, Helen McMahon and those for whom we regularly pray Lara Tikonova, John Robertson, Jo Bailey, Jack Gauder and Iain Galloway
- we remember those who have died Peter Baugh and Thomasina Prince and in our Year's Mind Margaret Nassanga, Mary Holder, Gladys Farbrother, Ivy & June Hart, Marjorie Allen, Gordon Osborn, Herbert Tomlinson, Isobel Wort, Elsie Brown, Rose Shepherd and Elizabeth Wall

A Special Prayer Vigil for Peace

Weds 20th Sept 7.30pm

St Mary's Church

St Mary's Row Moseley B13

10% off Crafts and card orders. Gill and John will be going to the Traidcraft Roadshow on Wednesday 27th September in Manchester.

The new catalogue is available so please see Gill if you would like to borrow a copy. A 10% discount on craft goods and cards may be available for orders placed when we go to Traidcraft on September 16th.

Junk Jumble and Book Sale Saturday 14 October 2017 Following on from the success of our first Jumble Sale we are holding another one on 14th October. We need help in leafleting, sorting, setting up, helping and packing up. We also need donations especially of clothes. Please sign up on the board at the back of church with offers of help or contact Sarah 07914667651, Des Workman 0121 443 5292 or any of the Social and Fundraising Committee. Thank you

Date for your diary: The next Family Day in autumn is based on 'The Scarecrow's Wedding' by Julia Donaldson, and is on Saturday 30th September. Emily will need helpers to plan and prepare the day with her, and help on craft tables /set-up and pack-down on the day. Please let her know if you're available.

TCM volunteers wanted - The Tea Coffee and Music afternoons on Thursdays have been very successful with between 12 and 24 older people turning up. Our own Rosie Cross plays the piano, there is a "sing a long for about 40 minutes" the event starts at 3 pm and finishes at 4.30 pm. We are currently having a Summer break and return on September 7th. David Inions, Sarah Bartram (who leads the singing) Gill Parkin and myself serve the drinks and cake and chat to older people. It would be super to have two or three more volunteers - would you like to help some Thursdays? If so please speak to me - you would be very welcome. Des Workman 0121 443 5292

Quaker Week: 1st-8th October. Informal discussions and talks to find out about Quakers and yourself. All events free. See noticeboard for more details

It's PANTOMIME time! We are looking for people who would like to be involved in the All Saints production of Cinderella, to be performed on Saturday 3 February 2018. If you're interested in acting, singing, dancing, making costumes, organising props, doing the sound or lighting, or

anything else, please do let us know – we'd love to have you involved. Sunday afternoon rehearsals start in October, with a casting and production meeting at 15:00 on Sunday 17 September. Clare, Ben & Fiona (allsaintspantomime@gmail.com / 07929 593097)

Joyce Rimmer – Drawings from Sept 3 - Oct 15 2017

Joyce was born in 1932 in Gloucestershire .She will be **85 in September** Even though she had two brothers she was lonely , so she drew pictures. In 1939 evacuees arrived in the village and her drawing stopped for a while because she had a friend.

She studied History at Bristol University and social work at the L.S.E and came to Birmingham as a probation officer in 1956. She worked in Summer Lane where The Birmingham Settlement was, of which she later wrote an 80 year history ' Troubles Shared ' After leaving the Probation Service in 1963 , she lectured at Birmingham University until 1992 .Joyce was a founder member of the Birmingham branch of Cruse Bereavement Care in 1974 and became Chair of the branch and later of the West Midlands Region . All Saints Community Arts is delighted to present some of Joyce's remarkable and witty drawings .

The forthcoming exhibition will be work by Sarah McWilliams Oct 15 - Nov 26 2017

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

Friday Evenings, with live music, in the Cafe The café is now open on Friday evenings until 9.30, for our usual meals, drinks, and cakes. We have a varied programme of live music from 7 – 9pm, organised by Sarah Wright Owens, who is looking for performers if you would like the opportunity. Contact Sarah on sarah@singertrain.com.

Please see our board, or the different Facebook pages (Café, Village Square, or Church) to find out the programme for the week. Hope to see you there!

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

ALL SAINTS

is a Fairtrade Church, see: www.fairtrade.org.uk

supports the Statement of Belief of 'Inclusive Church',

see: www.inclusivechurch.net

has signed the Living Wage Pledge, see: www.church-poverty.org.uk

belongs to the Christian Ecology Link, see www.christian-ecology.org.uk

is a Jubilee Congregation,

see www.jubileedebtcampaign.org.uk

is affiliated to Amnesty International and Pax Christi

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



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.

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THE ROBIN CENTRE: TRUSTEE WITH SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCE ROLE DESCRIPTION

The Robin Centre needs to appoint an additional Trustee with special responsibility for the financial affairs of the charity.

Background

The Robin Centre is a day centre for older people which specialises in dementia care. It is located in the All Saints Centre and is part of the All Saints family of charities and organisations connected to the Centre.

The Robin Centre has over 80 paid-for service user places per week (16 per day) with capacity for 100. Numbers have been growing and finances appear to be reasonably healthy. We offer each day a programme of activities, entertainment and exercise, as well as providing a meal and other refreshments. We have seven staff, four of whom are part time. Our ability to offer service to users with dementia is an important distinction. We are a registered charity (number 1161844) with a maximum of seven trustees, the majority of whom are to be appointed by the PCC of All Saints Church, though they need not be members of the Church or PCC. At present we have five trustees.

The finance role is currently held by Tony Price. He has carried this out very successfully since the charity was set up in May 2015, and prior to that had the same role for the All Saints Centre of which The Robin Centre was previously part. Tony's appointment expires in July 2018 and we need someone in a position to replace him.

The Role: The role of the Finance Trustee is as follows:

1. Principal bank account holder for the Charity and in ultimate control of all banking matters.
2. Oversight of financial transactions by Centre staff.
3. Preparation of financial reports to the Board for its meetings (approx. every 6 weeks)
4. Preparation of annual accounts for submission to the auditor.
5. Maintenance of proper systems of financial control.
6. Vigilance against any financial irregularities.
7. Principal contact with HMRC for Gift Aid submission.