

All Saints Parish Church, Kings Heath
All Saints Day

5th November 2017



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

Services this Week: All Saints Day

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am All Age Worship

4.30pm Memorial Service

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

Wednesday:

Holy Communion 11.30am

Saturday: Act of Remembrance at war memorial 11.00am

Services next Week: Remembrance

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

6.30pm Evening Prayer

COLLECT :

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow

your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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: Psalm 34:1-10

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.

This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.

O fear the LORD, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want.

The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

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

SECOND READING: 1 John 3: 1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 5: 1-12

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when

people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

God the source of all holiness and giver of all good things: may we who have shared at this table as strangers and pilgrims here on earth be welcomed with all your saints to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

MEDITATION:

*There are a sort of Saints meet to be your Companions...but the lie concealed. While the wicked at like Heaps of Rubbish, these few Jewels lie buried in the Ruins of Mankind: and must Diligently be Dugd for. You may know them by their lustre...In the Lustre of their Spirit will shew you the Image of Almighty God.
(Anglican Mystic and Poet, Thomas Traherne 1637-74)*

PRAYERS:

WE PRAY:

- We give thanks for the inclusion of all sorts of awkward, eccentric and inspiring Saints down the ages in this festival. We pray for an ever deeper inclusion in our church of people of different backgrounds, patterns of life and idiosyncrasies. Introduce each stranger to us as a gift, a neighbour and a potential Saint.
- we remember before God those who are ill Huxley Brennan, Lovetta 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 Alan Fletcher and in our Year's Mind William Machin, Pauline Black, Meion Timbrell, Harry Davis, George Wilcox, Florence Fernie, Winifred Purslow, Victor Rooker, Edith Payne and William Sheppard

R.I.P

Alan Fletcher's funeral is Thursday November 16th 11.45am in church followed by committal at Robin Hood Crematorium, for family members only. Please continue to keep Liz and Alan's family in your prayers.

Did you know we have a Knit and Natter group who meet in the cafe every Thursday morning 10.30am until 12.30pm all welcome who want to knit and talk.

Meditation Group: The next meeting of the meditation group is at Viv's on Thursday 9th November at 7.30pm for an 8.00pm start. All are welcome. Please see Daniel Wilson for further info.

All Saints Tea, Cake and Music afternoons (every Thursday 3pm until 4.30pm) continue to go well and provide a valuable opportunity for older people to meet in the pleasant surroundings of the All Saints Cafe. On average we get around 18 older people (not always the same as some treat it as a drop in which is fine). We could do with two more occasional volunteers to help with chatting, serving cake and being involved. Presently the four regular front of house people - David Inions, Gill Parkin, Sarah Bertram and Des Workman find it hard to be at every session. Could you offer to help occasionally? If so speak to David, Gill, Sarah or Des and we would love to have you as an occasional helper

CHRISTMAS EVE- Martha Ann and Philip Brookes have been asked to co-ordinate our now traditional VILLAGE BAND for the Children's Christmas Eve service. Please let us know asap whether you might like to play, so we can sort out the music well in advance. There will be a rehearsal on the day from 2.00-2.45pm, then the service at 3.30pm. All orchestral instruments welcome. Sorry, we don't need any guitars.

General knowledge quiz with independent quizmaster, Church Hall, Saturday 25 November, 19:30. We are running a general knowledge quiz to raise money for the musical life of All Saints' Church. Tickets cost £8 to include a fish and chip supper (or sausage or vegetarian alternative!) and must be bought in advance from one of us in person or as below. You can either bring your own team (of up to 6 people) or just buy a ticket for yourself and we will sort people into teams. We look forward to seeing as many people as possible there!

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Books: Thank you to everyone who donates books but at the moment our stock is more than we can manage. PLEASE no more donations for the foreseeable future. We will let you know when more are needed. Thank you once again for supporting the book sales.

EARTHLY THINGS works by Sarah McWilliams 16 October - 10 December 2017. In the spirit of the Victorian 'Cabinet of Curiosities', objects have been collected together by way of exploring sentiment, nostalgia and the hoarding of personal relics . This series of works creates order from a hoard, excavated from belongings that have been collected, inherited and found. This fictional archive of 'ready mades' eludes to a narrative, suggestive of a fairytale; where keys once opened doors to other worlds and shoes transported the wearer to strange imaginary lands.

Sarah McWilliams completed her degree in Fine and Applied Arts at Ulster University in 2003, specialising in Lens Based Media. She subsequently trained to become a secondary school art teacher and currently works in the West Midlands. The exhibition is open daily from 9.00am - 5.00pm in The Welcome Space at All Saints Centre Kings Heath and after church service on Sundays

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.

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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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.