

**All Saints Parish Church, Kings Heath
Remembrance**

12th November 2017



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



Services this Week: Remembrance

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: 2nd Sunday before Advent

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion with Holy Baptism

6.30pm Taize Prayer Service

COLLECT :

God our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease, and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

FIRST READING: Wisdom 6: 12-16

Wisdom is radiant and unfading, and she is easily discerned by those who love her, and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her. One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty for she will be found sitting at the gate. To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding, and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care, because she goes about seeking those worthy of her, and she graciously appears to them in their paths, and meets them in every thought

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

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25: 1-13

The kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for

you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen**

MEDITATION:

PRAYERS:

WE PRAY:

- we remember before God those who are ill Huxley Brennan, Lovetta Campbell, Val Hems, 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 Alan Fletcher and in our Year's Mind Harry Wood, Alan Revill, William Caswell, Margaret Harrison, George Nash, Frank Nicol and Mollie Price.

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 wear what you feel comfortable with, but as we are celebrating Alan's life a splash of colour would be lovely. Alan hated wearing ties – but there were times he just had to and then, so it was bearable, he wore a brightly coloured tie – something some of you may remember. But again wear what you feel comfortable with

Next year will be the 100th Anniversary of the Armistice which ended World War One

ASCA plans to create an artwork in honour of this event. Knitters, please, are invited to contribute as we need to amass hundreds of red poppies!!!

They can be made from crochet, felt, knitted etc. There are many designs online or make up your own. And also we need some coloured flowers too - any colour but red - and any shape/style.

If you don't knit, then donations of wool - and finished flowers - can be left at the Welcome Desk or put in the box in church.

Please involve any knitting groups you know of so we can create a really marvellous piece as a focus for contemplation and worship.

Further details from Vivien Thickett via the Parish Office

Advent Calendars and Festive Food from Traidcraft: Orders are now being taken for Advent calendars. Examples of cards and festive food such as biscuits and chocolate coins may also be seen and orders placed.

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 coordinate 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!

Ben & Clare Noakes, musicatallsaintschurch@gmail.com, 07967 730156



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.