

ALL SAINTS', SEDGLEY
18TH MARCH 2018 – LENT 5

8.00am Communion - The Revd Catherine Mitchell

Readings: Jeremiah 31.31-34

Hebrews 5. 5-10

John.12.20-33

10.30am - The Revd Guy Hewlett

Readers: Elaine Melhuish and Tony Hart

Readings: As above

11.20am – Annual District Church Meeting.

6.30pm – Evensong – The Revd Catherine Mitchell

Readings: Hebrews 5.5-10 and John 12.20-33

Readers: Rosemary Moss and Greg Ball

WEDNESDAY 21st March

ST PETER'S – 10AM – The Revd Guy Hewlett

PARISH PRAYERS – Tuesday at St Andrew's, Wednesday St Peter's and Thursday at All Saints'. These will all start at 9.15am. All are welcome.

Collect

Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through the shedding of our Saviours blood, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Jeremiah 31.31-34

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts;

and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Hebrews 5.5-10

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

John 12.20-33

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. 'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Parish Office – The parish office is open from Monday – Friday 10-12.00 noon. My phone number: 01902 540289 and my email address is admin@allsaintssedgley.co.uk. Can items for the pew sheet be sent to me by Wednesday 12 noon please. Thank you. Gail.

(Please note that The Revd Guy Hewlett's usual day off will be a Monday and The Revd Catherine Mitchell's a Friday,)

SERVICES 25th March at All Saints' Palm Sunday

8am – Communion - The Revd Guy Hewlett

10.30am – The Revd Guy Hewlett

6.30pm – Compline – The Revd Guy Hewlett

BAPTISM – today we celebrate the baptism of Connor Mason our prayers go to Connor and his family on this special day.

FUNERAL – the funeral of the late Ronald Spencer will take place at Gornal Wood Crematorium at 3.30pm conducted by the Revd Guy Hewlett. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family.

NOTICES

Our Annual District Church Meeting is happening in church today at 1120 am. Please do stay for the meeting.

PRAYERS will be offered across the Diocese on Monday the 19th March for us, the Gornal and Sedgley Team Ministry. Our Cathedral in Worcester will be praying especially for each of our churches on those days at the 8 am Eucharist and at Evensong. We are all especially invited to be at these services and a representative of the parish has been invited to read the second reading at evensong. Please let Catherine, Jan or Guy know if you would like to attend one of these services and perhaps we can travel as a group, and in particular if you would like to read let Guy know so we can let the cathedral know. Yours in Christ, The Revd Guy Hewlett.

MOTHERS' UNION MEETING - Our meeting on Tuesday evening is at 7.30pm in church when Rosemary Moss will give a talk entitled 'Lipservice or Action'.

EASTER FLOWERS - Donations towards the cost of the flowers to decorate church for Easter would be much appreciated. If anyone

wishes to make a contribution they should see the church wardens or Rosemary Moss.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOX COLLECTION - If you have a collection box, please bring it into church for our annual box opening. Last year we collected £1202.50, so let's see if we can match that fantastic total. I am happy to collect boxes from you at home, if they are too heavy!

Many thanks Kath Apperley

BARN DANCE, 7th April. tickets £8 and are now available. Don't delay for this popular event as tickets are limited!

Any suitable raffle prizes would be most welcome.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE 29TH APRIL 10:30 ALL SAINTS – The confirmation for the parish will be on the 29th April, 10:30 at All Saints' Church. If you would like to be confirmed, please complete the application form at the back of church and let Guy or Catherine as soon as possible.

PRAYING FOR DUDLEY – on Sunday 20th May from 2.30pm till 4pm at Priory Park, Dudley, DY1 4EU. Would be lovely to see you there.

DISTRICT CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – For those not on the News Group copies of the Annual Report are available in the narthex.

The DEFIBRILLATOR APPEAL is still very much ongoing as we are some £1200 short of our target of £2000. So please, if you can find your way of making a contribution it would be most appreciated. Thank you, Roger Berry.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH - Our charity for March is 'Make a Mothers' Day' which is a Mothers' Union project that raises funds for Mothers' Union work caring for families worldwide.

BLACK COUNTRY FOODBANK - Your donations make a big difference to all those who come to us for help - thank you all. The depot at Brierley Hill is short of : UHT Milk, UHT Fruit Juice, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Vegetarian Ready Meals (e.g. Macaroni Cheese), Small Jars of Coffee, Hot Chocolate (made with water), Sugar.

If you can help, we'd be most grateful. Thanks from all at 'Springs'

THANK YOU - for your generous support of Fair Trade. We can send a donation of £120 to Fairtrade Exchange which will be match funded by the Government so in effect we have donated £240! The next Fair Trade Stall will be on Sunday 8th April 2018. Fair Trade Team.

CHAIR YOGA – Thursdays at 1pm till 2pm in the church hall.

Telephone Kay on 07722 330876.



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