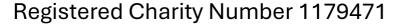


The Parish of Gornal and Sedgley





All Saints' Sedgley Collect and Readings

Worshipping God Welcoming all

Serving our community

Sunday 31st August 2025

The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity
For Parish Notices please see Notice Sheet

If you are aware of people now that may benefit from receiving this readers sheet and the notice sheet, please let us know.

Sunday 31st August – Luke 14. 1,7-14, Hebrew 13. 1-8, 15-16 Sunday 7th September- Luke 14. 25-33, Philemon 1-21

Collect

God of glory,

The end of our searching,

Help us to lay aside

All that prevents us from seeking your kingdom,

And to give all that we have

To gain the pearl beyond all price,

Through our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Luke 14. 1,7-14

14On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

7 When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour; he told them a parable. ⁸ 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹ and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰ But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹ For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

12 He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

Hebrew 13. 1-8, 15-16

13Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honour by all and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' ⁶So we can say with confidence,

'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?'

7 Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith.

8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.

15 Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. 16 Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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