ALL SAINTS', SEDGLEY 17TH SEPTEMBER – TRINITY 14

8.00am The Revd Guy Hewlett

Readings: Exodus 14 v 19-end

Romans 14 v 1-12 Matthew 18 v 21 - 35

10.30am NO SERVICE AS JOINT SERVICE AT ST ANDREW'S WITH THE REVD CANON JUDITH OLIVER AT 9.30AM

6.30pm EVENSONG WITH THE REVD GUY HEWLETT

Readings: Romans 14 V 1-12

Matthew 18 v 21-35

Readers: Rosemary Moss and Greg Ball

WEDNESDAY 20th SEPTEMBER - ST PETER'S - 10AM - COMMUNION WITH THE REVD CATHERINE MITCHELL

Please note that the altar candles will be lit 5 minutes before the start of each service to indicate the beginning of a period of silence until the service commences.

Collect

Merciful God, your Son came to save us and bore our sins on the cross: may we trust in your mercy and know your love, rejoicing in the righteousness that is ours through Jesus Chris our Lord. AMEN

Exodus 14 v 19-end

19 The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. ²⁰It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. 21 Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. ²²The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. ²³The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. ²⁴At the morning

watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. ²⁵He cloqqed their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, 'Let us flee from the Israelites, for the LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.' 26 Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers.' 27So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the LORD tossed the Egyptians into the sea. ²⁸The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea: not one of them remained. ²⁹But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. 30 Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. 31 Israel saw the great work that the LORD did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the LORD and believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

Romans 14 v 1-12

14Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. ²Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. ³Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. 4Who are you to pass judgement 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. 5 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. ⁶Those 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. 7 We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. 8 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. 9For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. 10 Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. ¹¹For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' 12So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Matthew 18 v 21-35

21 Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' ²²Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventyseven times. 23 'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. ²⁴When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; ²⁵and, 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. ²⁶So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." ²⁷And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. ²⁸But 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." ²⁹Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." ³⁰But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. ³¹When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. 32Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. 33Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" 34And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. ³⁵So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

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,)

CHURCH OPENING – PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO CHURCH OPENING ON FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER.

SERVICES

24th September - Trinity 15

8am - The Revd Catherine Mitchell

10.30am – The Revd Guy Hewlett inc Baptism

6.30pm - Compline - Canon Jan Humphries

St Andrew's - 9.30am - The Revd Catherine Mitchell

St Peter's - 10.30am - Morning Prayer with Suzanne Bradley

27th September – St Peter's – 10am – Canon Jan Humphries

NOTICES

FLOWERS – our thanks go to Jean Fieldhouse for today's flowers.

FUNERAL – the funeral of Lorna Mai Nickerson will take place at Gornal Wood on the 19th September at 2.50pm. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.

MENS SOCIETY – Monday September 18th – Dud Dudley – Chris Smith

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING – the Macmillan Coffee Morning is on Friday 29th September, 10.00am to 12noon, in church. Come along and support this worthy cause.

HARVEST CONCERT WITH ALL SAINTS' SINGERS AND FRIENDS JOOKULELE BAND, 200 CLUB. Saturday 30th September 7.30pm in the Church Hall. Tickets £6.00 available from Joyce Withers. Proceeds to Church and Church Hall.

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE – will be held on the 1st October at our 10.30am service. If possible tins and cartons will be very much appreciated, which will then be passes onto the very worthy cause of our food bank.

OPEN HOUSE - on Saturday 7th October from 2.30pm till 4.30pm at Guy and Jackie's house. There will be tea and cakes available. All are welcome.

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY AUTUMN FAYRE – will take place on Saturday 14th October in the Church Hall at 11am. All are welcome.