

**ALL SAINTS', SEDGLEY
19TH NOVEMBER – 2ND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT**

8.00am The Revd Guy Hewlett

**Readings: Zephaniah 1 v 7, 12-18
1 Thessalonians 5 v 1-11
Matthew 25 v 14 - 30**

10.30am Canon Jan Humphries – Family Service

Readers: Tracey Dunn and Tony Proctor

Intercessions: Anne Ridge

Readings: As above

Chalice: Jane Hartshorne and Keith Tomlinson

6.30pm Canon Jan Humphries - Evensong

**Readings: 1 Thessalonians 5 v 1-11
Matthew 25 v 14 -30**

Readers: Martin Moseley and John Grosvenor

**WEDNESDAY 22nd NOVEMBER – ST PETER'S – 10AM – The Revd
Guy Hewlett**

**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

**Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from
apathy, restrain in us new hope that all creation will one day be
healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN**

Zephaniah 1 v 7, 12-18

⁷ Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests.

¹² At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the
people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their
hearts, 'The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm.'¹³ Their wealth
shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build
houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they
shall not drink wine from them. ¹⁴ The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter,
the warrior cries aloud there. ¹⁵ That day will be a day of wrath, a day of

distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, ¹⁶ a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. ¹⁷ I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. ¹⁸ Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the LORD's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

1 Thessalonians 5 v 1-11

⁵Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! ⁴But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; ⁵for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. ⁶So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; ⁷for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

Matthew 25 v 14-30

¹⁴ 'For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; ¹⁵to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. ¹⁸But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." ²¹His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many

things; enter into the joy of your master.”²² And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, “Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.”²³ His master said to him, “Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.”²⁴ Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, “Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed;²⁵ so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.”²⁶ But his master replied, “You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter?²⁷ Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest.²⁸ So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents.²⁹ For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away.³⁰ As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

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 26th November at All Saints’

8am – The Revd Guy Hewlett

10.30am – The Revd Guy Hewlett

6.30pm – Compline – The Revd Catherine Mitchell

29th November – St Peter’s – 10am – The Revd Catherine Mitchell

NOTICES

FLOWERS – today are in memory of Mr and Mrs Sadler,

MU MEETING TUESDAY 21ST NOVEMBER AT 7.15PM IN CHURCH
Communion, followed by 'Faith in Action' with Margaret Penn.

FUNERAL of Christine Anne Stephenson this will take place on Tuesday 21st November at 11.40am Gornal Wood. Our thoughts and prayers go to her family at this sad time.

HIGH FLYERS AFTERNOON TEA - on the 22nd November 2pm – 4pm at 17 Elder Grove, Wombourne, WV5 0ME all are welcome.

CHRISTMAS FAIR 2ND DECEMBER – as an important part of our fundraising, we would be pleased to receive items for the Fair stalls, namely, bottles for the Bottle Stall, which can be given to Roger Berry or Brian Chappell, Tombola prizes to Geraldine Baker or a member of the Ladies Society, cakes on the day for the Cake Stall to Pauline Berry or Audrey Howe, items for the Christmas stall to Denise Chappell or Barbara Price. There will not be a book and CD stall this year. It would be appreciated if you did not leave items in bags in the Narthex, but handed them to the aforesaid people or a warden or sidesperson.

SEDGLEY CHRISTMAS LIGHTS EVENT - will be held on the 3rd December 6pm switch on, with street stalls.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT – 7TH December at All Saints' Church Hall, tickets £5.00 available now from Joyce Withers or Freda Taylor.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE 29TH APRIL 10:30 ALL SAINTS - We are pleased to announce that the confirmation service for the parish will be on 29th April 10:30 at All Saints Church. If you would like to be confirmed, please let Guy and Catherine know your name and contact details. As preparation for confirmation we will be organising preparation courses, details will be announced soon. Blessings Catherine

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 needs : UHT Milk, UHT Fruit Juice, Hot Chocolate, Small Jars of Coffee, Tinned Fruit, and, for Christmas, Tinned Meat, Packets of Gravy Mix, Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Potatoes, Packets of Smash. If you wish to bring Christmas items - Selection packs for children, Christmas Puddings and Mince Pies, please note the last date for bringing these is Sunday 3rd December. This is so they will reach the depot and be distributed to other distribution points around the Black Country, in time to give them out before Christmas. Thanks from all at 'Springs'.