ALL SAINTS', SEDGLEY 11TH FEBRUARY 2018 SUNDAY BEFORE LENT

8.00am Communion - The Revd Guy Hewlett

Readings: 2 Kings 2 v 1 - 12

2 Corinthians 4 v 3 - 6

Mark 9 v 2 - 9

10.30am - Worship for All – Canon Jan Humphries
Readers: Mike Edwards Joan Sullivan
Intercessions: Jan Humphries Readings: As Above
6.30pm – Evensong – The Revd Guy Hewlett
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Readers: Martin Moseley and John Grosvenor

WEDNESDAY 14th February Ash Wednesday – ST PETER'S – 10AM – The Revd Catherine Mitchell ALL SAINTS - 7:30 PM – 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

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives: set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 Kings 2 v1-12

Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me as far as Bethel.' But Elisha said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they went down to Bethel. The company of prophets* who were in Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he said, 'Yes, I know; keep silent.'

Elijah said to him, 'Elisha, stay here; for the Lord has sent me to Jericho.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So they came to Jericho. The company of prophets* who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha, and said to him, 'Do you know that today the Lord will take your master away from you?' And he answered, 'Yes, I know; be silent. Then Elijah said to him, 'Stay here; for the Lord has sent me to the Jordan.' But he said, 'As the Lord lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.' So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the company of prophets* also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground. When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, 'Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you.' Elisha said, 'Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.' He responded, 'You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not.' As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven. Elisha kept watching and crying out, 'Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!' But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

2 Corinthians 4 v3-6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Mark 9 v 2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one* on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, 'Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings,* one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, 'This is my Son, the Beloved;* listen to him!' Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, he ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

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 18th FEBRUARY 2018 at All Saints'

8am – Communion - The Revd Catherine Mitchell

10.30am – The Revd Guy Hewlett.

6.30pm – Evensong – Canon Jan Humphries.

NOTICES

LENTEN GIFT DAY – A Lenten Gift Day is to be held on the 18th February – the first Sunday of Lent and will run during Lent,

ELECTORAL ROLL- The Electoral Roll will be revised between Sunday 11th February and Sunday 25th February. The Electoral Roll is at the back of church, please check your entry is correct. Those wishing to have their name added to the roll should complete the form provided and return it to Liz Williams by Sunday 25th February.

SERVERS – We need to recruit more servers. This is an important part of the Church and enriches our services. If you are interested and would like more information please contact the clergy or one of the servers.

ANNUAL DISTRICT CHURCH MEETING – To be held on the 17th March. A reminder to all report writers that reports need to be submitted to me, preferably in WORD format by 12th February. Thanks John.

DISTRICT CHURCH COUNCIL – Vacancies exist on All Saints DCC (3) and on the PCC (1), all for 3 year periods. Please see the Wardens or Clergy for nomination forms. This is an opportunity to influence the delivery of Christian Mission in All Saints and the benefice. John

QUIZ NIGHT - After the successful Quiz Night in November we are holding another on Saturday 17th February. £10 for a team of 4 (includes light refreshments). Book your team with Gail.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH - As many of you know the Open the Book Team go into Woodsetton School. At present the school is working to raise money for a new minibus as the one they have has come to the end of its life. Without transport the dedicated staff will be unable to take children to out of school activities and visits. I know there are a lot of calls on people's money these days, but if you have any loose change, however small, that you could put in the jar at the back of church it would be greatly appreciated.

VESTRY HOUR - If you know anyone who wishes to enquire about weddings or baptisms, please tell them that, the Vestry Hour will be held on the first and third Sundays in each month, from 12noon to 1.00pm.

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 let Guy and Catherine know your name and contact details. (**please do this even if you have already spoken to us)** times for preparation will be confirmed soon.

Lent Course: The Lent course this year has been produced by the Church of England and called Live Lent: Let Your Light Shine. We are please to offer several opportunities to study the course together. Thursday afternoons 2:30 and Thursday evenings 7:30; depending on numbers we'll run either one or two groups in the evening. The Lent booklet will be available to buy at £2:50 each. There will be sign up sheets at each church for the next couple of weeks.

200 Club Annual Dinner Sat Mar 17th and NOT Mar 10th as previously stated.

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