

All Saints Sedgley in the Parish of Gornal and Sedgley

Registered Charity Number 1179471

9th September - 15th Sunday after Trinity

8.00am - The Revd Catherine Mitchell

Readings: Isaiah 35.4-7a

James 2.1-10 14-17

Mark 7.24-end

10.30am - Jill Nicholls

Readings: As Above

Readers: Joan Sullivan and Mike Edwards

6.30pm – Evensong – The Revd Catherine Mitchell

Readings: James 2.1-10, 14-17 and Mark 7.24-end

Readers: Martin Moseley and John Grosvenor

Wednesday 12th September – The Revd Catherine Mitchell – St Peters at 10am

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 - Lord 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 Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

Isaiah 35.4-7a - Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

James 2.1-10, 14-17 - My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, 'Have a seat here, please', while to the one who is poor you say, 'Stand there', or, 'Sit at my feet', have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Mark 7.24-end - From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to

take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

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.)
Sunday 16th September - All Saints' 8am - The Revd Catherine Mitchell

10.30am - Communion - The Revd Catherine Mitchell
6.30pm - Evensong - Canon Jan Humphries
St Andrews - 9.30am - Worship for All - Canon Jan Humphries
St Peters - 10.30am - Hon Canon Judith Oliver

FUNERAL – the funeral of Pauline Turner will take place at All Saints on Wednesday 19th September at All Saints 2.30pm followed by Gornal Wood at 3.30pm. Refreshments are available at All Saints Church Hall after the service. Our thoughts and prayers go to Alan and his family at this sad time.

FLOWERS FOR SEPTEMBER - Sept 9 Ivy and Ken Slater and Bill and Barbara Baker. **Sept 16**- Jean Fieldhouse. **Sept 23** - Mrs J.M. Newton. **Sept 30** VACANT.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH - The Charity of the Month for September is Macmillan Cancer Support.

MENS SOCIETY – the meeting for September has unfortunately been cancelled due to illness.

ST MARK'S, PENSNETT, MOTHERS' UNION CENTENARY SERVICE Tuesday 11th September, 2.00pm

REHEARSALS - The church choir starts rehearsals on September 13th at 7pm. We are preparing to sing new hymns as well Christmas music a little later in October. Anyone is most welcome to join us at this most exciting time. Martin

ALL SAINTS SINGERS & SINGING FOR PLEASURE invite you to join them for a Concert & Supper entitled 'Love is in the Air' on Saturday 15th September 2018, 7:30pm, in All Saints' Church Hall. Tickets £6pp from Joyce Withers or members of the choir. Could money be handed in as soon as possible please.

LIVE 60S/70S TRIBUTE NIGHT, Sat Oct 6th 2018, in the church hall. 8.0 till 10.30pm. Tickets £7.00 and available from Roger Berry, 01902 881374. Please bring your own drinks/glasses and nibbles. Any raffle prizes would be most appreciated. Many thanks, Roger

PARISH VISION DAY - our parish will be having a vision day on Sunday 14th October, the day will begin with a joint service at All Saints at 10:30, followed by a picnic lunch in the hall and Parish Vision activities - please make every effort to attend this important event

ST PETER'S CHURCH PUBLIC MEETING - the second public meeting regarding the future of St Peter's church building will be held on 30th October 19:00 in church. All are welcome. Please pray for St Peter's church and this important meeting.

RAFFLE TICKETS - are now on sale for the Children's Society from Anne Hart and Ivy Slater.

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 currently needs UHT Milk, Bottles of Squash/Cordial, Tinned Fruit, Breakfast Cereal, Bags of Plain Rice 500g & 1kg, Packets of Mashed Potato, Tinned Potatoes, Biscuits, Tinned Spaghetti, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tins or Cartons of ready-made Custard. If you can help, we'd be most grateful. Thanks from all at 'Springs'

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