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## All Saints Sedgley

### in the Parish of Gornal and Sedgley

Registered Charity Number 1179471

**2<sup>nd</sup> December – Advent 1**

#### **8am – The Revd Guy Hewlett**

Readings: Jeremiah 33.14-16

1 Thessalonians 3.9-end

Luke 21.25-36

#### **10.30am – The Revd Guy Hewlett**

Readings: As above

Readers: Chris Williams and Joan Sullivan

Intercessions: Liz Williams

Chalice: Kath Apperley and Tony Hart

#### **2-7pm – Christmas Tree Festival and Sedgley Lights from 4pm**

**St Peters Church Hall - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**  
**The Revd Guy Hewlett 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** – Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## **Jeremiah 33.14-16**

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

## **1 Thessalonians 3.9-end**

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

## **Luke 21.25-36**

'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have

the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

**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 9th December All Saints' 8am The Revd Catherine Mitchell  
10.30am – Worship for All – Canon Jan Humphries  
2pm – 4pm – Christmas Tree Festival  
6.30pm – Evensong – The Revd Guy Hewlett  
St Andrew: 9.30am – The Revd Guy Hewlett  
St Andrew: 4pm – Carol Service  
St Peter: 10.30am – The Revd Catherine Mitchell  
St Peter: 6pm – Carol Service – The Revd Catherine Mitchell**

**ADVENT PRAYERS** - During Advent there will be 2 Parish prayer times in addition to our weekly parish prayers.

**They will be on: Tuesday the 11th December 2018 at 7.30 pm at All Saints Vicarage.**

**Tuesday the 18th December 2018 at 2.30 pm at All Saints Vicarage.**

These times of prayer will give you an opportunity to step out of the business of the season and spend time with God. Each time will be relaxed but with structure and for an hour. If possible let Guy, Jackie Hewlett or Kath Apperley know if you hope to come.

**HALL GRANT APPLICATION** – the Church Hall was funded by donations from the community. The display in the Narthex and on the Hall Notice-board is a snapshot of money given by individuals and local businesses. Early in 2019 a bid is to be submitted for about £40,000 to ASDA to enable urgent work to the fabric (roof, windows, kitchen, community room servery) to be undertaken. A requirement is that we raise money to support the bid – all users of the hall have been approached. If you would like to donate please use the pink Gift Aid envelopes – if a stewardship member, just add your envelope number.

Can we match the generosity of our forebears who raised £4,000?  
Thanks John.

**CHILDRENS SOCIETY** – if you would like any Christmas cards please contact Anne Hart, Thank you.

**CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON** – will take place tonight Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December from 4pm till 7pm. There will be no evensong. The church will be open to welcome people and offer refreshments.

**LADIES SOCIETY** – December 3<sup>rd</sup> – Anne Clarke

**MOTHERS UNION** – December 4<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Meal.

**AFTERNOON CAROL CONCERT AND CHRISTMAS TEA** - with All Saints Singers and Singing for Pleasure. At All Saints Church Hall on Thursday December the 6th at 2.30 pm. Tickets £5 available from Joyce Withers and Choir Members

**HIGH FLYERS** – would you please support the group from High Flyers Wombourne who will be attending church at 11am on Friday 7 December to sing and sign for our pleasure. Each person participating will be attended by their carer. Thank you. Keith.

**CHRISTINGLES** - Junior Church would be grateful for donations towards the cost of providing oranges and sweets for the Christingles. Please see Barbara Price if you are able to make a contribution. All money in excess of the costs is donated to The Children's Society at the service. We will be making the Christingles in the Hall from 2 pm on Sunday 23rd December if anyone would like to help. Refreshments will be provided! Thank you.  
Barbara Price



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