

The Parish of Gornal and Sedgley

Registered Charity Number 1179471



All Saints' Sedgley, St Andrew the Straits and St Peter Upper Gornal NOTICE SHEET - Sunday 20th September 2020 The Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity

SHARED WORSHIP THIS AND NEXT WEEK - PLEASE NOTICE CHANGES

Holy Communion

IMPORTANT!! Gail is away on holiday this week, so for bookings for All Saints, St Andrews and St Peters please either contact Revd Catherine Mitchell on 01902 677897 or Canon Jan Humphries 01902 661275

If you attend one of the Holy Communion services shown below, you do not have to receive unless you feel safe to do so, and the host will be brought to you in the pew.

Very strict hygiene will be followed to ensure we are Covid-19 safe.

We will for now continue some of our services online, BUT PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGES. The following services which take place on Zoom where stated and some will also be available on our parish web site or through audio files via email. For Zoom services and meetings an invitation will be sent to all 3 email News Groups.

The Liturgy, if applicable, will be available on the website or shared on the screen.

Services this and next week:

Sunday

9.30am – 1030am St Andrew's Church open for morning worship. – Please remember to book in as places are currently limited.

10:30am Holy Communion –this service will be at 1030am live from All Saints Church and on Zoom. If you wish to attend in person please book as usual if you want to attend on Zoom please ensure you are joined by 1020am for a 1030am start.

The church will be open from about 1110am for 20 minutes after the service for private prayer

10:30am prayer/worship insolation - praying through the Sunday liturgy individually but hopefully at the same time! — This is available through the email News Groups and includes links to hymns and a printed sermon and is usually emailed out on the Saturday.

11:45am Zoom virtual coffee fellowship – Please note the slightly later time. Bring your own coffee to your computer and see and hear some of your church friends; for about 30 minutes.

All Saints is NOT open this afternoon because of the 1030am morning service!

6:30pm Compline on Zoom, about 20 minutes. A quiet and reflective service.

Wednesday

10am – In St Peters – Holy Communion – Please remember to book in as places are currently limited.

Thursday

8pm Fellowship Group on Zoom – everyone is welcome! Look out in your emails for the link invitation.

Weekday morning prayers. Please note there will not be parish prayers on Wednesday mornings.

Tuesday and Thursday

9:15am Parish Prayer on Zoom – an informal time of prayer where we share the Gospel reading for the day and pray for about 15 minutes.

Tuesday Parish Prayer Group

The Parish Prayer group which has met weekly during the main pandemic will return to the previous pattern of prayer, which is 2 meetings per month. In September this will be Tuesday the 29th at 7.30pm. Further dates will be advised. The group will meet on Zoom for now. This is open to everyone – prayer is truly core to our purpose!

Safety in gathering for worship is a priority!

- ALL 3 CHURCHES HAVE BEEN SET UP FOR 2 METRE SOCIAL DISTANCING
- HAND SANTISER WILL BE USED ON ENTERING AND LEAVING THE CHURCHES
- FACE MASKS MUST BE WORN IN CHURCH UNLESS YOU ARE EXEMPT
- ANY SEATS USED WILL BE CLEANED (OR REMOVED)
 BEFORE THEY ARE USED AGAIN
- PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN BIBLE OR PRAYER BOOK AS NO BOOKS WILL BE AVAVILABLE IN CHURCH HOWEVER THERE WILL BE A LITURGY FOR THE PRAYER and HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES.

NOTICES FOR THE WHOLE PARISH

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL will meet in All Saints Church on Wednesday the 14th October at 7.30pm

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING will be held on Tuesday the 20th October 2020 at 7pm in All Saints Church.

PLANNED CHANGES IN OUR CURRENT SERVICE PATTERN.

As we move towards the Autumn and Winter, we hope that the following changes will take place to our current service pattern:

The Coffee Morning on Zoom Reviewed! The Coffee Morning has been greatly appreciated by many of us. In the recent poll the majority of people who responded said that they would be ok if the coffee morning were to stop. However, the meeting was very well attended last week and there was a strong desire to continue if we can. So, this Sunday the Coffee morning will happen at the slightly later time of **1145am** and if we can we will continue at this time for now.

The 9.30am parish Holy Communion on Zoom and the 2.30pm service of Holy Communion in All Saints Church have been brought together to a 1030am service of Holy Communion in All Saints church which will also be on Zoom.

We hope a 1030am service will restart in St Peter's from early October.

CHURCH GROUPS: Currently most church groups including all children's and young people groups continue to be postponed. Some activities are beginning to return in our halls; please speak to your group leaders or to Gail in the office for further updates.

NOTICE SHEET – if anyone has anything, they would like to share with the newsgroups please let us know. If you are aware of people at the moment that may benefit from receiving this notice sheet and the readers sheet, please let Gail know.

SPRINGS FOOD BANK - Food can now be delivered to Springs Food Bank **on Mondays 10am to 12 noon**:

SPRINGS, Upper Gornal Methodist Church, Kent Street, Upper Gornal, DY3 1YB.

PLEASE NOTE - A Food Bank box will now again be in All Saints church each Sunday for you to drop off food.

If you would like to make a cash donation you can do so on the Black Country Food Bank web site at:

https://www.blackcountryfoodbank.org.uk or you could put a cash donation clearly marked through the All Saints Vicarage door.

ADVICE FOR CHURCHES RE THE CORONAVIRUS

You can find full details of the current advice to churches on the internet at this address:

https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/coronavirus-covid-19-guidance-churches

THE FUTURE OF THE DIOCESE – OPEN CONVERSATIONS.

Following the open conversations held around the Diocese at the start of the year, the Diocese are now planning a series of further opportunities to engage with the process as we look at how we can effectively resource a healthy and sustainable Church into the future.

It will be a chance to hear more about the strategy for mission and ministry across the Diocese and think about how it might impact on your own church. Only by working together can we ensure that God's Kingdom continues to grow in Worcestershire and Dudley. These meetings will be held online using Zoom but will follow a similar format to the previous open conversations, with opportunities for people to contribute in small groups. To sign up for one of the conversations, please contact the training team with your preferred date on training@cofe-worcester.org.uk or 01905-732812, You will be sent the Zoom details ahead of the conversation.

Conversations will take place on the following dates:

- Monday 21 September: 6 to 8pm
- Tuesday 22 September: 6 to 8pm
- . Thursday 24 September: 6 pm to 8pm
- Monday 28 September: 2 to 4pm and 6 to 8pm:

To sign up for one of the conversations, please contact the training team with your preferred date on training@cofe-worcester.org.uk or 01905-732812, You will be sent the Zoom details ahead of the conversation.

What if I don't have access to Zoom – how can I get involved? Recognizing that not everyone will be able to join a video call, we are providing two alternative ways to take part in the Open Conversation process:

- 1. We are asking those attending to partner up with someone in their church without zoom access and share their experience, if possible, showing some of the video clips which will be available on this web page on their own tablet or phone, and giving a summary of the table time discussions in which they participated. So please do ask around in your congregation and find someone who is willing to do this with you.
- 2. Join the **telephone conference call**, where a shortened version of the input will be communicated. These will be free to dial into, and accessible to anyone with a phone. The telephone conference calls will be held on:

Tuesday 22 September, 11am

To sign up for the telephone conference calls, please contat the training team on training@cofe-worcester.org.uk or 01905
732812. You will be given details of how to join the call when you book (you will need to provide a name and the phone number that you'll be calling from so that you can be identified during the meeting).

Here is the link to our Diocesan web Site full article:

https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/news/join-the-conversation-around-the-future-of-our-church.php

NOTICES FOR ALLSAINTS

All Saints DCC will meet in All Saints Church on Wednesday the 7th October 2020 ay 7.30pm, in All Saints Church.

PLEASED BE ASSURED OF OUR PRAYERS AND DO NOT HESITATE TO BE IN CONTACT WITH THE MINISTRY TEAM.

Further updates will occur in the coming weeks.

The need for us to continue to be flexible as Government advice continues to change for the nation.

We are grateful for your patience and prayers at this time.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- 1. All our children, especially those who are vulnerable, and all our teachers and educators as they return to school.
- 2. Our Universities as they prepare to re open.
- 3. St Andrew's Little Angels Toddler Group as plans are developed to re open.
- 4. Our DCC's, PCC and all our group leaders.
- 5. All those whose decisions effect the lives of others, especially the Government, all in Parliament and our Local Authorities
- 6. For those returning to work in very different circumstances.
- 7. For those who have lost their work or are in fear of this happening.

- 8. All of our NHS and care workers
- 9. All of our emergency services and essential workers
- 10. All who are providing our food from production to sale
- 11. Our local Food Bank Springs and those they serve
- 12. All who are struggling with isolation and lack of established routine.
- 13. All who are struggling with their mental health
- 14. All who are ill, bereaved, or suffering, those known to us and those who are unknown to us; that they may feel the closeness of the Lord's healing heart and His comforting arms around them.
- 15. All who are seeking safe ways to re-open businesses and places of worship.
- 16. Funeral Directors and all who are taking funeral services and all who are seeking to give bereavement support and care.
- 17. Our church community as we reopen the churches and hall buildings safely.

PARISH OFFICE

The parish office will be open from Monday to Friday 10-12.30pm.

Can I ask that **nobody comes to the office between these hours unless an appointment has been made in advance**, in which case I can see you at a safe distance in the community room.

My email address is: admin@allsaintssedgley.co.uk

Can items for the notice sheet be sent to me by Wednesday 12.30pm please.

Thank you, Gail.

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