**The Parish of Gornal and Sedgley**

Registered Charity Number 1179471

**All Saints’ Sedgley, St Andrew the Straits**

**and St Peter Upper Gornal**

**Worshipping God**

**Welcoming all**

**Serving our community**

**Parish Office 01902 540289**

**NOTICE SHEET The Second Sunday Before Advent**

**SHARED WORSHIP**

**Sunday 17th November 9.30am Worship for All St Andrews**

**11am Family Service All Saints**

**Wednesday 20th November 10am Holy Communion St Peters**

**Sunday 24th November 8am Holy Communion All Saints**

**9.30am Worship for all St Andrews**

**10am Holy Communion St Peters**

**COFFEE MORNING,** 10.30am till 12.30pm this Friday All Saints Church in which you are all very welcome

**ZOOM PRAYER MEETING** – will take place on Thursday mornings at 9.15am.

**EXCITING NEWS!! -** Many of you are aware that All Saints Church has been identified as a church that has the potential to grow, through specific ministry with Children and Young Families, and has been allocated the potential of a substantial grant from central church. While Rev Calum was here, he worked with our Renewal Hub Team and others, to develop the beginnings of a Mission Plan. The Renewal Project identified for All Saints would support a full-time priest in the roll of Renewal Leader, and a full-time children and family's worker. The Archdeacon of Worcester visited a joint meeting of the PCC and All Saints DCC this week to discuss the role of Renewal Leader, which will now also include the role of Team Rector, for oversight of the whole parish. This will mean that I will resume my role as Team Vicar. There is a person, within the diocese, that has expressed interest in the role, and the Bishop would like to put forward this person as the “initial candidate”. The PCC have agreed that we would like to explore the potential for this person to join us in the role. We still go through the normal vacancy and recruitment procedures, which means that we urgently need to develop a parish profile. This is where we need your input. Can you tell us “WHAT YOU WOULD BE LOOKING FOR IN A NEW TEAM RECTOR/RENEWAL LEADER” and “WHAT GIFTS AND SKILLS DO YOU FEEL THE NEW TEAM RECTOR/RENEWAL LEADER SHOULD POCESS”. Can you please email your response to

[vicargonalandsedgley@allsaintssedgley.co.uk](mailto:vicargonalandsedgley@allsaintssedgley.co.uk). can you send your response by Sunday 24th November. Blessings Rev Catherine.

**BLACK COUNTRY FOODBANK -** Thanks from all of us at 'Springs' to all of you who continue to help. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE CHILDREN'S SELECTION PACKS FOR CHRISTMAS, PLEASE LET ME HAVE THEM BY 1ST DECEMBER, SO WE HAVE TIME TO DISTRIBUTE THEM. Our current shortages are : TEA BAGS BOXES OF 40’S, SMALL JARS COFFEE, LONG LIFE MILK 1L, TINNED FISH, TINNED SPAGHETTI, TINNED FRUIT, INSTANT NOODLES, BREAKFAST CEREAL, JARS OF PASTA/COOKING SAUCE, ROLL-ON DEODORANTS, SHOWER GEL, BARS OF SOAP, TOILET ROLLS (ESPECIALLY!)  **A TASTE OF CHRISTMAS – in All Saints' Church with decorated Christmas Trees. Friday 6th December - 10.00am** Local school choirs are coming to entertain us and start our Christmas celebrations. **Friday 6th December - 1pm - 4.00pm and Saturday 7th December -**  **10am - 2.30pm** There will be a Craft Stall, Cake Stall, Children's Nativity Trail & Refreshments. **Saturday 7th December - 2.30pm** Festive Entertainment. There is no charge for this but donations for The Black Country Foodbank would be much appreciated. **The Church Raffle will be drawn at the Festival Entertainment. REELING IN THE YEARS –** this Thursday 21st November All Saints church hall, refreshments from 1.30pm the film will be Paris When It Sizzles. Please do join us. **COLLECTION OF CLOTHES -** We now have a contact for collecting any good, reasonable clothes for those in need. Can you please let Cicely know on 01902 677724- leave a message and I will get back to you, or on cicely\_thomas @hotmail.com Anything welcome at this time of year, particularly warm coats or jackets. Many thanks, Cicely **LADIES SOCIETY -** Ladies Society would be grateful for small gift items, biscuits etc. for their tombola stall at the Christmas Fayre.Only new gifts please as used items cannot be displayed. Items may be brought to Church and given to: Anne Wakefield, Geraldine Baker or Linda Edwards, or brought to our next Ladies Society meeting on Monday 2nd December 2024. Thank you. **ST PETERS CHRISTMAS FAYRE –** will take place 30th November between 10.30am and 1.30pm at St Peters. All are welcome. **ST PETERS CHRISTMAS TREE DRIVE –**Friday 6th December 7pm. Adults £2 children (12 and under) £1.50. Bring your own drinks.

**BOTTLES AND CHOCOLATE** needed for All Saints Christmas Fair on Saturday, 7th December. Items can be given to the Parish Office, in church or to me. Thank you for your support. Mary Zielonka 01902 672541.

**PUZZLES NEEDED –** if anyone has any puzzles for All Saints Fair can you please take them to Gail in the parish office between 10am and 1pm. Thank you. Cicely

**PARISH LUNCH –** will take place Sunday 12th January 2025, 12.30pm for 1.30pm at the Lodge. Two course meal (main and dessert) plus coffee or tea. Tickets £20 from Tracey Bate Janet Frost and Linda Watkins.

**ST PETERS SNOWMAN DRIVE -** Friday 17th January 7pm. Adults £2 children (12 and under) £1.50. Bring your own drinks.

**This is the link to the weekly Diocese of Worcester Podcast and sermon:** [**https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/your-faith/prayer-worship/sermon-podcasts/sermon-podcasts.php**](https://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk/your-faith/prayer-worship/sermon-podcasts/sermon-podcasts.php) **Church of England online resources INCLUDING SUNDAY SERVICES:** <https://www.churchofengland.org/news-and-media/church-online>

**SAFEGUARDING** - The Parish of Gornal and Sedgley is committed to the safeguarding of children, young people and adults. We follow the House of Bishops guidance. If you or someone you know feels unsafe, please contact the Parish Safeguarding Officer Barbara Baker, Tel 01902 882847, email [safeguarding@allsaintssedgley.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@allsaintssedgley.co.uk)

or Acting Team Rector Rev Catherine Mitchell Tel 01902 677 897 [vicargornalandsedgley@allsaintssedgley.co.uk](mailto:vicargornalandsedgley@allsaintssedgley.co.uk) (other contacts available on our website [www.gornalandsedgley.org.uk](http://www.gornalandsedgley.org.uk))

**MINISTRY TEAM CONTACTS – Revd** Catherine Mitchell - 01902 677897‬ [revcatherinemitchell13@gmail.com](mailto:revcatherinemitchell13@gmail.com)

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