

Welcome to All Saints



3 December 2017

First Sunday of Advent

9:15 Toy Parade Service & Licensing of the Child Bishop

*Feel free to ask the Priest before the service if you have any special intentions to be included in today's **Intercessions**.*

We do not practise Intinction (*dipping the consecrated bread, or host, into the consecrated wine before consumption by the communicant*) in this church. *If you are unable to partake of the Common Cup, then it is legitimate to receive the host alone, since the body and blood are present in both species.*

In case of an accident during the service, if there is a trained medic in church, they should take control and others should remain in their seats. A churchwarden should call for an ambulance if needed and the accident book should be filled in. *The service will continue as normal if at all possible.*

HYMN

- 1 Hark! a herald voice is calling:
'Christ is nigh!' it seems to say;
'Cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day!'
- 2 Startled at the solemn warning,
let the earth-bound soul arise;
Christ, her sun, all sloth dispelling,
shines upon the morning skies.
- 3 Lo, the Lamb, so long expected,
comes with pardon down from heav'n;
let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
one and all to be forgiv'n.
- 4 So when next he comes with glory,
wrapping all the earth in fear,

may he then, as our defender,
on the clouds of heav'n appear.

5 Honour, glory, virtue, merit,
to the Father and the Son,
with the co-eternal Spirit,
while unending ages run.

Anonymous Latin, t. Edward Caswall (1814-1878) HymnQuest ID: 53925

GREETING

The president says

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you,

All and also with you.

Words of welcome may be said.

CONFESSION

Minister Let's now be still before God.

Lord Jesus,
you came to gather the nations
into the peace of your kingdom:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister You come in word and sacrament
to strengthen us in holiness:
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Minister You will come in glory
with salvation for your people:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

The president says

May the God of love and power
forgive you and free you from your sins,
help and strengthen you by his Spirit
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

COLLECT

*The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'
or a more specific bidding.*

The Collect is said:

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.

All Amen.

FIRST READING 1 Corinthians 1.3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

HYMN

- 1 Awake, awake: fling off the night!
For God has sent his glorious light;
and we who live in Christ's new day
must works of darkness put away.
- 2 Awake and rise, in Christ renewed,
and with the Spirit's pow'r endued.
The light of life in us must glow,
and fruits of truth and goodness show.
- 3 Let in the light; all sin expose
to Christ, whose life no darkness knows.
Before his cross for guidance kneel;
his light will judge and, judging, heal.
- 4 Awake, and rise up from the dead,
and Christ his light on you will shed.
Its pow'r will wrong desires destroy,
and your whole nature fill with joy.
- 5 Then sing for joy, and use each day;
give thanks for everything alway.

Lift up your hearts; with one accord
praise God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

J R Peacey (1896 – 1971) © Revd Mary J Hancock

GOSPEL READING Mark 10.13-16 (The Message)

Choir Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

All Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Choir Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

All Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Minister Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

The people brought children to Jesus, hoping he might touch them. The disciples shooed them off. But Jesus was infuriated and let them know it: "Don't push these children away. Don't ever get between them and me. These

children are at the very centre of life in the kingdom. Mark this: Unless you accept God's kingdom in the simplicity of a child, you'll never get in." Then, gathering the children up in his arms, he laid his hands on them and blessed them.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us remind ourselves
that we all belong to the one family of God.

All **We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through faith,
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid
we pray to Jesus.

This response may be included:

Lord, hear us.

All **Lord, graciously hear us.**

And at the end

Merciful Father,

All **accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Silence is kept.

PRESENTATION AND LICENSING OF THE CHILD BISHOP

Miranda Robinson, Diocesan Director of Education presents Kaycie Lyman as the Child Bishop.

Blessed is he who puts his trust in the Lord.

Kaycie, you have been chosen to serve in the office of Child Bishop in the Benefice of All Saints with All Hallows, Wellingborough.

Will you be faithful and keep the promises made for you in holy baptism and affirmed by you at your confirmation?

Child Bishop

I will, the Lord being my helper.

While you hold this office, will you pray regularly for this congregation and for all those who need your prayers?

Child Bishop

I will, the Lord being my helper.

Receive this letter of office as a pledge of your resolve.

The Child Bishop kneels.

**All Almighty God,
 by whose grace alone
 we are accepted and called to your service:
 strengthen us by your Holy Spirit
 and make us worthy of our calling;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you.

The Lord strengthen you to serve him
all the days of your life.

All Amen.

THE INVESTITURE

Whilst an anthem is sung by the choir the candidate is vested as Child Bishop in a stole, cross, cope and mitre. A ring is placed on his/her finger and a crook in his/her hand.

Brothers and sisters, I present to you Kaycie,
duly licensed as Child Bishop of this Parish Church.

All welcome the new Child Bishop.

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST CANDLE – ADVENT HOPE

The president says

Jesus said, 'Keep awake,
for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.'

All Amen. Come soon, Lord Jesus!

The first candle is lit.

Jesus is the light of the world.

All A light no darkness can ever put out.

**All sing Advent candles tell their story
 as we watch and pray,
 longing for the Day of Glory,
 'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.
 Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,
 changed for gladness on that Day.**

PEACE

The president says

May the God of peace make you completely holy,
ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

Minister Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

During the hymn the gifts of the people may be collected.

HYMN

1 Jesus, where'er thy people meet,
 there they behold thy mercy-seat;

where'er they seek thee thou art found,
and every place is hallowed ground.

2 For thou, within no walls confined,
inhabitest the humble mind;
such ever bring thee when they come,
and, going, take thee to their home.

3 Dear Shepherd of thy chosen few,
thy former mercies here renew;
here to our waiting hearts proclaim
the sweetness of thy saving name.

4 Here may we prove the power of prayer,
to strengthen faith and sweeten care,
to teach our faint desires to rise,
and bring all heaven before our eyes.

5 Lord, we are few, but thou art near;
nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear;
O rend the heavens, come quickly down,
and make a thousand hearts thine own.

William Cowper (1731-1800) HymnQuest ID: 56493

TABLE PRAYER

Blessed be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,
by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.

All Blessed be God for ever.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you,
All and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Voice Why is it right to give thanks and praise?
Voice Listen, and we will hear.

Lord of all life, you created the universe,
where all living things reflect your glory.
You give us this great and beautiful earth,
to discover and to cherish.

You made us all, each wonderfully different,
to join with the angels and sing your praise:

**All Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,
holy is the Lord God Almighty.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,
holy is the Lord God Almighty,
Who was and is and is to come.
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.**

We thank you, loving Father,
because, when we turned away,
you sent Jesus, your Son.
He gave his life for us on the cross
and shows us the way to live.

Send your Holy Spirit
that these gifts of bread and wine
may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

Voice Why do we share this bread and wine?
Voice Listen, and we will hear.

On the night before he died,
when darkness had fallen,
Jesus took bread.
He gave thanks, broke it,
and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my body, given for you.
Do this to remember me.'

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine,
gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying:
'This is my blood, poured out for you and for many,
for the forgiveness of sins.'

Minister Great is the mystery of faith.

**All Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord,
Jesus is the Lord God Almighty.**

**Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord,
Jesus is the Lord God Almighty.
Who was and is and is to come.
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus is the Lord.**

So Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate his love, his death, his risen life.
As you feed us with these gifts,
send your Holy Spirit,
and change us more and more
to be like Jesus our Saviour.

Voice How do we follow Jesus Christ?
Voice Listen, and we will hear.

Help us, Father, to love one another,
as we look forward to that day
when suffering is ended,
and all creation is gathered in your loving arms.

And now with [*N and*] all your saints
we give you glory, through Jesus Christ,
in the strength of the Spirit,
today and for ever.

All Amen.

**All Glory, glory, glory to the Lord,
glory to the Lord God Almighty.
Glory, glory, glory to the Lord,
glory to the Lord God Almighty.
Who was and is and is to come.
Glory, glory, glory to the Lord.**

Silence may be kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Awaiting his coming in glory,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

**All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

(Or)

**All Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

**All We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

**All Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us [x2].**

**Jesus, bread of life, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us [x2].**

**Jesus, wine of joy, you take away the sins of the world:
grant us your peace [x4].**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
 but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

*The people come forward to receive communion, authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant replies **Amen**.*

HYMNS

- 1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
 Longing for truth, we turn to you.
 Make us your own, your holy people,
 Light for the world to see.

- Refrain *Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts,
 Shine through the darkness.
 Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church
 Gathered today.*

- 2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
 Longing for hope, many despair.
 Your word alone has power to save us
 Make us your living voice.

- 3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
 Longing for water, many still thirst.
 Make us your bread, broken for others,
 Shared until all are fed.

- 4 Longing for shelter people are homeless.
 Longing for warmth, many are cold.
 Make us your building, sheltering others,
 Walls made of living stone.

- 5 Many the gifts, many the people,
 Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
 Let us be servants to one another,
 Making your kingdom come.

Bernadette Farrell

- 1 Soon, and very soon,
 we are going to see the King;
 soon, and very soon,
 we are going to see the King;
 soon, and very soon,
 we are going to see the King;
 alleluia, alleluia,
 we're going to see the King!
- 2 No more crying there . . .
 alleluia . . .
- 3 No more dying there . . .
 alleluia . . .
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
- 4 Soon, and very soon . . .
 alleluia . . .
 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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Silence is kept.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**All O Lord our God,
 make us watchful and keep us faithful
 as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;
 that, when he shall appear,
 he may not find us sleeping in sin
 but active in his service and joyful in his praise;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING THE POSADA

The president blesses the travelling crib, and presents it to its first overnight host.

NOTICES

BLESSING

The Child Bishop says

May God's joy be in our hearts. [*Place hand on heart.*]
May God's peace be in our world. [*Sweep hand out in front.*]
May God's love be known between us. [*Embrace with arms.*]
And the blessing of God Almighty,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be with us now and for ever more.

All **Amen.**

HYMN

1 Lord, the light of your love is shining,
 in the midst of the darkness, shining:
 Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us;
 set us free by the truth you now bring us.
 Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain *Shine, Jesus, shine,
 fill this land with the Father's glory;
 blaze, Spirit, blaze,
 set our hearts on fire.
 Flow, river, flow,
 flood the nations with grace and mercy;
 send forth your word,
 Lord, and let there be light!*

2 Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
 from the shadows into your radiance;
 by the blood I may enter your brightness:
 search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
 Shine on me, shine on me.

3 As we gaze on your kingly brightness
 so our faces display your likeness,
 ever changing from glory to glory:
 mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.
 Shine on me, shine on me.

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Minister As we await our coming King,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.

*After the service
join us for refreshments in the hall*

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NOTICES

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS EVE: joint Benefice Eucharist at 10:30 at All Hallows; Nativity & Blessing of the Crib service follows at 18:00 at All Saints; then Midnight Mass at 23:30 at All Hallows. There are no other services planned in our Benefice that day.

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS DAY: Morning Eucharist at 8:00 and Family Eucharist at 9:15, both at All Saints.

FOR THE WHOLE RANGE OF OUR ADVENT / CHRISTMAS EVENTS follow the weekly folio, see the magazine, our notice boards, our website or Facebook.

BEER & CAROLS Thurs 14 Dec 18:30, organised by Revd Gary at Hart Family Brewery, Nene Court, The Embankment.

ALL SAINTS

A PRAYER TREE is in church from 25 Nov (International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women), until 10 Dec (International Human Rights Day). If you wish to request prayers for a specific / anonymous person or a situation, please place your request on the tree. We will remember those affected by such violence at a vigil in the Lady Chapel on Thurs 7 Dec 11:00 – 12:30.

CHRISTMAS CHARITY CONCERT Tues 12 Dec 19:30, All Saints' Church. With the Oriana Singers, organised by the Rotary Club of Wellingborough, on behalf of the Daylight Centre & other charities. Tickets (incl. refreshments): adult £10, child free, available at the door, or from the Rotarians, or David Lawrence.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE Sun 17 Dec 18:00, All Saints' Church.

ALL HALLOWS

OUR NEW POSADA (travelling nativity) is available for loan 2-24 Dec. Please sign up on the sheet in church if you would like to host it for one night, or see Gwin Desborough or other MU members about it.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL Fri 15 9:30 – 17:00 and Sat 16 Dec 9:30 – 16:00. Please tell Pat Balment if you are putting up a tree (01933 228604).

CHRISTINGLE & NATIVITY Sat 16 Dec 16:00 in church, followed by pizza and chat in the hall.

CARDS FOR GOOD CAUSES seasonal shop at All Hallows Church open until 12 Dec every Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat 9:30-14:30. Check out the array of festive cards and Christmas gifts. Staffed by volunteers, we sell cards for charities.

INTERCESSIONS

PRAY FOR THE CHURCH of West Buganda (Uganda), The Rt Revd Henry Katumba-Tamale; The Porvoo Churches: St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane, Porvoo

PRAY FOR Christian Smalley, Mick Mutlow, Atu Pele, Helen Smith, George, Nicholas Parker, Stuart, young Felix, Richard Hole, Ollie Ray, Doreen Stock, Phillip Byles, Ella Reid, Kathryn Woods, Michelle Chapel

THE HOUSEBOUND Connie S, Margaret O, Doreen A, Sylvia P, Ruth S

ANNIVERSARIES Myrtle Barbara Redman, Doris Perks, Albert Edward Catnelly, Eric John Faulkner, Thomas Sidney Povey, Winifred McMorrow Melville, Harold Sidney Stevens, Anne Nesta Hughes, Caroline Elizabeth Martin, Bernard Sanders, Susan Margaret Adams, Joseph Charles Shatford, Elizabeth Frances Rowbery, Mavis Elizabeth West, Susan Simson, Emily Palmer, Winifred Mary Cooper, Isobel Galilee, Alison Clarke, Frank Pearce, Dora Foskitt, Walter George Swain, Hilda Grace Marriott, Derrick Pearce, James Holloway, Betty De'Ath, Charles Short, Kerry-Jane Lewis, Cliff 'Dick' Roberts, Henry Orton, Sid Desborough, Evelyn Barrett, Evelyn Lovett, Jack Wooding, Bill Timpson, Constance Bailey, Edith Blaber, Robert Jeffery Odell, Mary Parkin, May Wallis, Iris Robins, Eileen Falkner, Arthur Toyer, Bill Clayson, Anthony Hayers, Margaret Cooke, Jean Lofts, Frank Sadler

PLEASE CONTACT THE BENEFICE OFFICE, IF:

you would like to ask if a notice might be added to the folio;
or if a name might be added to the prayer / anniversary lists.

HOW THE PRAYER LIST WORKS:

1. Please obtain the consent of the person you wish us to pray for.
2. Tell the Benefice Office whom to pray for and the reason why.
3. A name remains on the list for three months, unless discussed otherwise.

DOWNLOAD THE WEEKLY FOLIO

The Sunday folio is available for download on our website, usually from Wednesday or Thursday. Go to allhallowsandallsaintswellingborough.co.uk, and click on Resources / Weekly folio.

DIARY

Sun 3 Dec		
8:00	Eucharist	All Saints
9:15	Parade service	All Saints
10:30	Coffee & Catch-up	All Hallows
10:45	Bell ringing	All Hallows
11:15	Family Eucharist	All Hallows
19:30	Explorer Scouts	All Saints' Hall
Mon 4 Dec		
13:00	Jolly Tots	All Saints' Hall
18:00	Cubs	All Saints' Hall
18:15	Brownies & Rainbows	All Hallows' Hall
19:30	Scouts	All Saints' Hall
Tue 5 Dec		
8:00	Morning Prayer	All Hallows
9:30	Card shop	All Hallows
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
18:30	Guides	All Hallows' Hall
19:30	Bell ringing	All Hallows
Wed 6 Dec		
Nicholas		
8:00	Morning Prayer	All Saints
9:30	Card shop	All Hallows
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
12:15	Midweek Eucharist	All Hallows
Thu 7 Dec		
Ambrose		
8:00	Morning Prayer	All Hallows
9:45	Tiny Tots	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Holy Communion BCP	All Saints
11:00	Vigil	All Saints
18:00	Beavers	All Saints' Hall
Fri 8 Dec		
Conception		
8:00	Morning Prayer	All Saints
9:00	AS School Christingle	All Saints
9:30	Card shop	All Hallows
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
19:00	Choir practice	All Saints
19:00	Quire practice	All Hallows

Sat 9 Dec

9:30	Card shop	All Hallows
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall

Sun 10 Dec**Second Sunday of Advent**

8:00	Eucharist	All Saints
9:15	Family Eucharist	All Saints
10:00	10 O'Clock Light	All Hallows
10:30	Coffee & Catch-up	All Hallows
10:45	Bell ringing	All Hallows
11:15	Family Eucharist	All Hallows
19:30	Explorer Scouts	All Saints' Hall

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