

Welcome to All Hallows

9 December 2018

Second Sunday of Advent

11:15 All-Age Eucharist



*Please 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.*

***Be aware of the step-up** if you use the pews on the north and south walls – we don't want anyone falling.*

***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 Jesus calls us here to meet him
 as, through word and song and prayer,
 we affirm God's promised presence
 where his people live and care.
 Praise the God who keeps his promise;
 praise the Son who calls us friends;
 praise the Spirit who, among us,
 to our hopes and fears attends.

- 2 Jesus calls us to confess him
 Word of life and Lord of all,
 sharer of our flesh and frailness,
 saving all who fail or fall.

Tell his holy human story;
tell his tales that all may hear;
tell the world that Christ in glory
came to earth to meet us here.

- 3 Jesus calls us to his table
rooted firm in time and space,
where the Church in earth and heaven
finds a common meeting place.
Share the bread and wine, his body;
share the love of which we sing;
share the feast of saints and sinners
hosted by our Lord and King.

John Bell and Graham Maule

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 When the Lord comes,
he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness,
and will disclose the purposes of the heart.

Therefore in the light of Christ let us call to mind our sins.

Silence may be kept.

KYRIE

**All Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

Silence may be kept.

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

Let us pray,
that we may be ready when the Lord comes.

The Collect is said:

Almighty God,
purify our hearts and minds,
that when your Son Jesus Christ
comes again as judge and saviour
we may be ready to receive him,
who is our Lord and our God.

All Amen.

READING Malachi 3.1-4

Thus says the Lord God: See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

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 Last of the great prophetic line,
by desert ways he trod,
a voice to call by word and sign
a nation home to God.
"Repent!" - that summons heard of John
our hearts shall not forget;
his voice is stilled, his day is gone,
his call is with us yet.
- 2 A watchman's cry to end the night,
a herald of the day,
he points to Christ, the Light of light,
"Prepare, prepare his way!"
He points to Christ, the coming one,
of whom the Scriptures told,
baptising God's beloved Son:
"The Lamb of God behold!"
- 3 Last of the great prophetic line,
by desert ways he came,
with promise of a King divine,
a kingdom and a Name.
He points to Christ, the living Word,
before whose feet we fall,
the Light, the Lamb, the Son and Lord,
to Christ, the all in all.

Timothy Dudley-Smith

GOSPEL READING Luke 3.1-6

All Alleluia! [x4]

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

All Alleluia! [x4]

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler

of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:
“Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.
Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON or PRESENTATION

After the Sermon / Presentation silence may be kept.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Minister Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All **Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried; he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers and to all the apostles:
this we have received,
and this we believe. Amen.**

cf Ephesians 3

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.

Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay;
give new courage to your people who trust in your love.
By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom
on earth as in heaven where you live and reign
with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever and ever.
All Amen.

LIGHTING OF THE SECOND ADVENT CANDLE – THE PROPHETS

The president says

Jesus said,
'Do not think that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets:
I have not come to abolish them, but to fulfil them.'
All Amen. Come soon, Lord Jesus!

The second 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.**

**Prophet voices loudly crying,
making pathways clear;
glimpsing glory, self-denying,
calling all to hear.
Through their message – challenged, shaken,
hearts awaken: God is near!**

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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 a collection takes place.

HYMN

- 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, OCP Publications

TABLE PRAYER

As this bread was scattered
and then gathered and made one,
so may your Church be gathered into your Kingdom.

All **Glory to you, O God, for ever.**

Wisdom has built her a house;
she has mixed her wine; she has set her table.

All **Glory to you, O God, for ever.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

All The Lord be with you
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.**

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.

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 Blessed, blessed, blessed is the Lord,
blessed is the Lord God Almighty.
Blessed, blessed, blessed is the Lord,
blessed is the Lord God Almighty.
Who was and is and is to come.
Blessed, blessed, blessed 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.

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,	<i>(Or)</i>	Our Father, who art in heaven,
	hallowed be your name,		hallowed be thy name,
	your kingdom come,		thy kingdom come,
	your will be done,		thy will be done,
	on earth as in heaven.		on earth as it is in heaven.
	Give us today our daily bread.		Give us this day our daily bread.
	Forgive us our sins		And forgive us our trespasses
	as we forgive those		as we forgive those
	who sin against us.		who trespass against us.
	Lead us not into temptation		And lead us not into temptation,
	but deliver us from evil.		but deliver us from evil.
	For the kingdom, the power,		For thine is the kingdom,
	and the glory are yours		the power, and the glory
	now and for ever. Amen.		for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The President breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

All O Lamb of God,
 come cleanse our hearts,
 And take our sins away.
 O Lamb of God, your Grace impart,
 And let our guilty fear depart.
 Have mercy, Lord, we pray.
 Have mercy, Lord, we pray.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

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

QUIRE ANTHEM Those who walked in the deepest darkness

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.

NOTICES

BLESSING

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 Onward, Christian pilgrims,
Christ will be our light;
see, the heav'nly vision
breaks upon our sight!
Out of death's enslavement
Christ has set us free,
on then to salvation,
hope and liberty.

Refrain *Onward, Christian pilgrims,
Christ will be our light;
see, the heav'nly vision
breaks upon our sight!*

2 Onward, Christian pilgrims,
up the rocky way,
where the dying Saviour
bids us watch and pray.
Through the darkened valley,
walk with those who mourn,
share the pain and anger,
share the promised dawn!

3 Onward, Christian pilgrims,
in the early dawn;
death's great seal is broken,
life and hope reborn!
Faith in resurrection
lightens pilgrims' hearts,
every load is lightened,
every fear departs.

4 Onward, Christian pilgrims,
hearts and voices raise,
till the whole creation
offers perfect praise:
swords are turned to
ploughshares,
pride and envy cease,
truth embraces justice,
hope resolves in peace.

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Minister Our Lord says, 'I am coming soon.'

All **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

May the Lord, when he comes, find us watching and waiting.

All **Amen.**

NOTICES

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS EVE: Nativity & Blessing of the Crib at 18:00 at All Saints; then Midnight Mass at 23:30 at All Hallows.

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 AND CAROLS at the Old House pub, Sheep Street, Thur 13 Dec, 7 for 7.30 pm. All profits in aid of Cransley Hospice and the Warwickshire and Northamptonshire Air Ambulance.

THE FOODBANK NEEDS warm adult gloves, meat pies, fruit, potatoes, fish, meat, paste, marmalade, Marmite, sugar, cereal, jellies, puddings, mash potato packets, savoury rice, UHT milk, UHT fruit juice, bottled water, bottled fruit squash, dog food, can openers, loo paper, shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, strong carrier bags. Overstocked, not currently needed: baked beans, pasta, pulses, spaghetti hoops, rice pudding, sanitary products.

ALL SAINTS

WE ARE CLEARING OUT the remaining All Saints 150th Anniversary Christmas cards. Individual cards: 5p each. Mixed pack of 6 cards: 20p. Available after the services at All Saints, or contact Caroline through the office.

PLEASE FILL IN A GDPR FORM and bring it back to Bob Allen as soon as possible, to specify what details of yours our clergy and our staff may hold, and to give your permission to contact you in matters relevant to our church. This is to comply with current regulations. If you don't fill in a new form we won't be allowed to contact you in any way.

ALL HALLOWS

CHRISTINGLE Sat 15 Dec 15:00. Please come along, to make your own Christingles and sing carols around the crib. Everyone welcome to this lovely service to include the Christmas story - children can come dressed for this. Tea and cake afterwards In the church. In aid of the Children's Society.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE Sun 23 Dec 18:00, All Hallows Church.

WE ARE UNABLE TO HOST THE CARDS FOR GOOD CAUSES SHOP this year. Please look for the charity cards at the Daylight shop instead (35 Sheep St, the old Yorkshire Bank offices) Tue-Sat 10:00-16:00.

INTERCESSIONS

PRAY FOR THE CHURCH The Falklands Islands (Extra-Provincial to Canterbury)The Rt Revd Timothy Thornton; The Porvoo Churches – Chester, Kuopio

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, Betty Metcalf, Angela, Diana Brown, Adam, Stephen, Jean

THE HOUSEBOUND Margaret O, Doreen A, Sylvia P, Ruth S, Diana B

ANNIVERSARIES Frank Sadler, Jack Lawrence, Margaret Ellison, Peter Barrett, Jason Slate, Gwen Timpson, Russell Fletcher, Bill Raitt, Derrick Pearce, James William Eades, Joan Stephenson, Jose Marsh, Frederick Lee, Alexander Aaron Bailey, George Renton Addie

REST IN PEACE Alan Desborough, Henry Thorpe

CONTACT THE BENEFICE OFFICE:

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.

TO DOWNLOAD THE WEEKLY FOLIO:

please go to our website allhallowsandallsaintswellingborough.co.uk, then Resources / Weekly folio.

COMMUNICATION

A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver.

Proverbs 25:11

It is clearly important that we keep open good channels of communication. Mike Jennings is the person who uploads information on to the web page, so if you want to include something do speak with him. And Agnes keeps the online calendar, so do inform her if something you are involved in changes or needs to be added.

DIARY

Sun 9 Dec

Advent 2

Magazine deadline

8:00	Eucharist	All Saints
9:15	Family Eucharist	All Saints
10:30	Coffee & catch-up	All Hallows
11:15	All-Age Eucharist	All Hallows
18:00	Benediction	All Saints
19:30	Explorer Scouts	All Saints' Hall

Mon 10 Dec

18:00	Cubs	All Saints' Hall
18:15	Brownies & Rainbows	All Hallows' Hall
19:30	Scouts	All Saints' Hall

Tue 11 Dec

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Hallows
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
9:30	Group visit	All Saints
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
14:00	Tea @Two	All Saints' Hall

Wed 12 Dec

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Saints
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
12:15	Midweek Eucharist	All Hallows
19:30	AS MU service	All Saints

Thu 13 Dec

Lucy

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Hallows
9:45	Tiny Tots	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Holy Communion BCP	All Saints
13:30	Group visit	All Saints
18:00	Beavers	All Saints' Hall

Fri 14 Dec

John of the Cross

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Saints
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
18:30	Junior choir practice	All Saints
19:00	Choir practice	All Saints
19:00	Quire practice	All Hallows

Sat 15 Dec

9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
15:00	Christingle	All Hallows

Sun 16 Dec**Advent 3**

8:00	Eucharist	All Saints
9:15	Family Eucharist	All Saints
10:30	Coffee & catch-up	All Hallows
11:15	Family Eucharist	All Hallows
19:30	Explorer Scouts	All Saints' Hall

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for your prayers during the week*

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