

Welcome to All Hallows

17 February 2019

Third Sunday before Lent

11:15 Family Eucharist with Holy Baptism

*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 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.

Be aware of the step-up if you use the pews on the north and south walls.

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.

We especially welcome Alexander and his family and friends to today's service. For this candidate baptism marks the beginning of a journey with God, which continues for the rest of his life, the first step in response to God's love. This is a joyful moment when we all rejoice in what God has done for us in Christ, making serious promises and declaring the faith. The wider community of All Hallows and friends welcome this candidate as a new Christian, promising support and prayer for his future. We also remember our own baptism and reflect on the progress made on that journey, which is now to be shared with this new member of the Church.

The service paints many vivid pictures of what happens on the Christian way:



The cross

A badge of Christian faith and a reminder of Christ's death for us.



Water

Our 'drowning' in the water of baptism, where we believe we die to sin and are raised to new life, unites us to Christ's dying and rising. Water is also a sign of new life, as we are born again by water and the Spirit.



A candle

A sign of that new life, a picture of the light of Christ conquering the darkness of evil.

We journey through the baptism service: from the **altar** to the **font**, then back for a lit **candle**, immediately before being sent out on our journey.

Everyone who is baptised walks in that light for the rest of their lives.

As you pray for the candidates, picture them with you and the whole Church throughout the ages, journeying into the fullness of God's love.

Jesus said, 'I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.'

John 10:10

HYMN

- 1 Lord, as I wake I turn to you,
Yourself the first thought of my day:
My King, my God, whose help is sure,
Yourself the help for which I pray.
- 2 There is no blessing, Lord, from you
For those who make their will their way,
No praise for those who will not praise,
No peace for those who will not pray.
- 3 Your loving gifts of grace to me,
Those favours I could never earn,
Call for my thanks in praise and prayer,
Call me to love you in return.
- 4 Lord, make my life a life of love,
Keep me from sin in all I do;
Lord, make your law my only law,
Your will my will, for love of you.

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GREETING

The President says

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

All Amen.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all,

All **and also with you.**

Words of welcome or introduction may be said.

Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us
that to enter the kingdom of heaven
we must be born again of water and the Spirit,
and has given us baptism
as the sign and seal of this new birth.

Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit and made clean.
Here we are clothed with Christ,
dying to sin that we may live his risen life.

As children of God, we have a new dignity
and God calls us to fullness of life.

COLLECT

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

Heavenly Father,
by the power of your Holy Spirit
you give to your faithful people new life
in the water of baptism.
Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit,
that we who are born again
may serve you in faith and love,
and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

READING 1 Corinthians 15.12-20

If Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised

Christ – whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

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 Blest are the pure in heart,
 for they shall see our God,
 the secret of the Lord is theirs;
 their soul is Christ's abode.
- 2 The Lord who left the heavens
 our life and peace to bring,
 to dwell in lowliness with men,
 their pattern and their King;
- 3 Still to the lowly soul
 he doth himself impart,
 and for his dwelling and his throne
 chooseth the pure in heart.
- 4 Lord, we thy presence seek;
 may ours this blessing be;
 give us a pure and lowly heart,
 a temple meet for thee.

vv 1,3 John Keble (1792-1866) and vv 2,4 William John Hall (1793-1861) HymnQuest ID: 11614

GOSPEL READING Luke 6.17-26

All Alleluia! [x4]

Minister I am the light of the world, says the Lord.
Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life.

All Alleluia! [x4]

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

‘Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.

‘Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled.

‘Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

‘Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

‘But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

‘Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

‘Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

‘Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

After the Sermon silence may be kept.

BAPTISM: PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES & DECISION

Faith is the gift of God to his people.

In baptism the Lord is adding to our number
those whom he is calling.

To the congregation:

People of God,
will you welcome this candidate
and uphold him in his new life in Christ?

All With the help of God, we will.

To parents and godparents:

Parents and godparents,
the Church receives this candidate with joy.
Today we are trusting God for his growth in faith.

Will you pray for him,
draw him by your example into the community of faith
and walk with him in the way of Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

In baptism this candidate begins his journey in faith.
You speak for him today.

Will you care for him,
and help him to take his place
within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

With the help of God, we will.

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.
To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?
I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?
I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?
I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?
I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?
I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?
I come to Christ.

BAPTISM: SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

The minister makes the sign of the cross on the candidate's forehead, saying

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.
Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

All **Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
against sin, the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ
to the end of your life.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.

All **Amen.**

BAPTISM: PRAYER OVER THE WATER

The ministers and the candidates gather at the font.

All Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.

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

We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water
to sustain, refresh and cleanse all life.

Over water the Holy Spirit moved
in the beginning of creation.
Through water you led the children of Israel
from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land.
In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John
and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ,
to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.
In it we are buried with Christ in his death.
By it we share in his resurrection.
Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son,
we baptise into his fellowship those
who come to him in faith.

Now sanctify this water that,
by the power of your Holy Spirit,
they may be cleansed from sin and born again.
Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith
and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit
be all honour and glory, now and for ever.

All Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Let us affirm,
together with Alexander
who is being baptised,
our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

All I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

All I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

**All This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

BAPTISM

The minister pours water on the candidate, saying

I baptise you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

*The newly-baptised is signed with the cross for a second time, symbolising his
now joining with Christ who is the Anointed One.*

WELCOME AND PEACE

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Alexander,
by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**All We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

We are all one in Christ Jesus.
We belong to him through faith,
heirs of the promise of the Spirit of peace.
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 Come down, O Love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.
- 2 O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round, the while my path illuming.
- 3 Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness becomes mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,

Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

4 And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Bianco da Siena (d. 1434) tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890) HymnQuest ID: 51701

TABLE PRAYER

Blessed be God,
who feeds the hungry,
who raises the poor,
who fills our praise.

All Blessed be God forever.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

All

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.

It is right to praise you,
Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.
When we turned away you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.

All

**You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.**

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.

All

**He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.**

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:

Take, eat;
this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.**

At the end of supper,
taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:

Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins;
do this in remembrance of me.

All **Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.**

As we proclaim his death
and celebrate his rising in glory,
send your Holy Spirit
that this bread and this wine
may be to us the body and blood of your dear Son.

All **As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.**

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven.

All **Amen.**

All **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blesséd is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Silence may be kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.	<i>(Or)</i>	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.
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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

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.

*Michael L Forster (b. 1946) based on the Agnus Dei © 1997, 1999 Kevin Mayhew Ltd
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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 Fairest Lord Jesus

Silence is kept.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, our beginning and our end,
preserve in your people the new life of baptism;
as Christ receives us on earth,
so may he guide us through the trials of this world,
and enfold us in the joy of heaven,
where you live and reign, one God for ever and ever.

All Faithful God,
in baptism you have adopted us as your children,
made us members of the body of Christ
and chosen us as inheritors of your kingdom:
we thank you that in this Eucharist
you renew your promises within us;
empower us by your Spirit to witness and to serve,
and send us out as disciples of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NOTICES

BAPTISM: GIVING OF A LIGHTED CANDLE

The newly-baptised, the parents and godparents return to the altar to receive a lighted candle.

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

**All Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.**

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

God, who in his Christ gives us
a spring of water welling up to eternal life,
perfect in you the image of his glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be upon you, and remain with you always.

All Amen.

HYMN

- 1 And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Saviour's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
- 2 'Tis myst'ry all! th'Immortal dies:
Who can explore his strange design?
In vain the first-born seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine!
'Tis mercy all! Let earth adore,
Let angel minds enquire no more.
- 3 He left his Father's throne above
So free, so infinite his grace;
Emptied himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.
- 4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth, and followed thee.

5 No condemnation now I dread;
 Jesus, and all in him, is mine!
 Alive in him, my living Head,
 And clothed in righteousness divine,
 Bold I approach the eternal throne,
 And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788) HymnQuest ID: 50540

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.

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The following is a copy of the letter given to those baptised today, to be opened on the day of their Confirmation.

Dear *[Candidate]*

When you were born, your parents thought so much of you that they wanted to share the most precious gift they had: their faith.

So they approached the Christian community of All Hallows, Wellingborough, and asked the people if they would be willing to have a new member and would encourage you so as you could grow to know and love the Lord Jesus.

The community said "Yes", and so on Sunday 17th February 2019 you and your parents and godparents, family and friends came to All Hallows. There at the main Eucharist of the day, in full view of the congregation you entered the Christian family.

The people were happy and they applauded you. And afterwards when your parents brought you home there were further celebrations because of this joyful event.

That was many years ago. Now you are ready to complete your initiation into the Christian faith through the sacrament of Confirmation. You are now ready to speak for yourself and declare yourself a Christian and bear witness to the Gospel in your life.

We hope this letter finds you ready and willing to do so – as we hope that the years past have given you comfort and joy in the Lord.

Today as you read this letter before you are confirmed, remember this: we still welcome you, pray for you, hope for you and through the years and distance hold you in great affection.

NOTICES

JOINT BENEFICE FUND RAISING PROTOCOL We are aware of the pressure that we put on our parishioners to collect much needed monies for many and various fund raising projects throughout the year. However we are mindful of that pressure that we exert and wish to protect them from too much exposure to requests by adopting a set of guidelines which everyone is asked to adhere to, ANY request to ask the congregation for support, be it sponsorship; cake sales; fundraising by uniformed groups etc. MUST be agreed and authorised by a member of the Standing Committee (wardens, treasurer and incumbent for each church) well in advance. The aim of this guidance is to avoid clashes with multiple requests and not to ask too often, mostly of the same group of people. Please remember that most of the people being asked already donate weekly to our respective church's. Our principal and annual events will take precedence. That is to say Summer Fête; Christmas Bazaar; Ride 'n' Stride; Christmas card sales. This protocol is intended to insulate our parishioners from too many requests, but will also give those requesting assistance a better chance of success.

ASH WEDNESDAY Please return your palm crosses from last year and leave them in the basket in church, so we can burn them to make the ashes.

THE FOODBANK NEEDS canned potato or fruit, coffee, jam, marmalade, packeted mash potato or rice, UHT milk, UHT fruit juice, shampoo, toilet paper, can opener, strong carrier bags.

ALL SAINTS

THE ELECTORAL ROLL is due for rewriting prior to the APCM. The existing roll has to be 'torn up' and new forms submitted for everyone who wishes to be included. We will circulate forms, to be returned by the 1st April, so that a new list is ready for our APCM on the 28th April. I will leave copies at the back of the church or you can ask me for them. *Bob Allen, Electoral Roll Officer*

ALL HALLOWS

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE 1 Mar 14:00, All Hallows.

QUIZ EVENING WITH BANGERS & MASH SUPPER Sat 2 March 18:30, All Hallows' Hall. Though you will be able to just turn up and buy a ticket (£5) at the door, it would really help our planning and catering if you bought them in advance from Margaret, Pat, Maureen or Ann.

INTERCESSIONS

PRAY FOR THE ANGLICAN CHURCH of the Province of Central Africa

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, Adam, Stephen, Jean, Roger, Sue

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

ANNIVERSARIES Renee Kathleen Orton, Joan Richards, Enid Phillips, Alfred Packwood, Kathleen Hanning, Mary Poole, Robbie Adamson, Margaret Bayes, Joan Richards, Andrew Kerley, Joan May Smith, Doris Beatrice Lee, Marjorie Freeman, Byron Robert Faulkner, Geoffrey Moore

REST IN PEACE Winifred Freeman

TO BE BAPTISED Ellie Sturgess, Alexander Nobes

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.

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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 17 Feb

8:00	Eucharist	All Saints
9:15	Eucharist with baptism	All Saints
10:30	Coffee & catch-up	All Hallows
11:15	Eucharist with baptism	All Hallows

3rd before Lent

Mon 18 Feb

Tue 19 Feb

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Hallows
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Open church	All Hallows

Wed 20 Feb

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

Thu 21 Feb

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Hallows
10:00	Holy Communion BCP	All Saints

Fri 22 Feb

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Saints
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
12:30	Luncheon Club	All Hallows' Hall
13:00	Service rehearsal	All Hallows
18:30	Junior choir practice	All Saints
19:00	Choir practice	All Saints
19:00	Quire practice	All Hallows

Sat 23 Feb

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

Polycarp

Sun 24 Feb

8:00	Eucharist	All Saints
9:15	Family Eucharist	All Saints
10:30	Coffee & catch-up	All Hallows
11:15	Family Eucharist	All Hallows
18:00	Compline	All Saints

2nd before Lent

*Please take this folio home
for your prayers during the week*

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