

Welcome to All Hallows



1 December 2019

First Sunday of Advent

11:15 Family Eucharist

*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

Words of the prophets since the world began
So long before salvation's human birth
Speaking of God's tremendous loving plan
for heav'n to touch the long-estranged earth.

Those ancient words at last began to be
in flesh and skin and bone and blood unfurled
In maiden womb and half-made family –
so heaven stooped to touch a fallen world.

Amongst the stable beasts behind the inn,
the baby's eyes saw first a mother's love;
and though their world, like ours, was full of sin,
yet in their gaze the earth met heav'n above.

We cry aloud for peace, goodwill to all,
and for God's heaven to touch his earth again,
We bend our ears to hear the angels' call,
and raise our voice to join the great Amen.

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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 Lord be with you,

All and also with you.

Words of welcome may be said.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**All Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this:

'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God

with all your heart, with all your soul,

with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

INVITATION TO 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.

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 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 Isaiah 2.1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

PSALM 122

- 1 I was glad when they said to me, ♦
 'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'
- 2 And now our feet are standing ♦
 within your gates, O Jerusalem;
- 3 Jerusalem, built as a city ♦
 that is at unity in itself.
- 4 Thither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, ♦
 as is decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.
- 5 For there are set the thrones of judgement, ♦
 the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 O pray for the peace of Jerusalem: ♦
 'May they prosper who love you.
- 7 'Peace be within your walls ♦
 and tranquillity within your palaces.'

- 8 For my kindred and companions' sake, ♦
I will pray that peace be with you.
- 9 For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, ♦
I will seek to do you good.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.

SECOND READING Romans 13.11-14

Brothers and sisters, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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 The advent of our God
with eager prayers we greet,
and singing haste upon his road
his glorious gift to meet.
- 2 The everlasting Son
scorns not the Virgin's womb;
that we from bondage may be won
he bears a bondsman's doom.
- 3 Daughter of Sion, rise
to meet your lowly King;
Let not thy stubborn heart despise
the peace he comes to bring.

- 4 On clouds of dazzling light,
as Judge he comes again,
his scattered people to unite,
with them in heaven to reign.
- 5 Let evil flee away,
ere that great hour shall dawn,
let this old Adam day by day
the new Man still put on.
- 6 Praise to the incarnate Son
who comes to set us free,
with Father and with Spirit One,
to all eternity. Amen.

Instantis adventum Dei, Charles Coffin (1676-1749) tr. John Chandler (1806-1876)
HymnQuest ID: 61610

GOSPEL READING Matthew 24.36-44

All Alleluia! [x4]

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

All Alleluia! [x4]

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus spoke to his disciples: 'About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. OThen two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

After the Sermon silence may be kept.

CREED

The President says

Let us declare our faith in God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord,
Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

**who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Silence may be kept.

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 FIRST ADVENT CANDLE – THE 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.**

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PEACE

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 O come, O come Emmanuel!
Redeem thy captive Israel,
That into exile drear is gone
Far from the face of God's dear Son.

Refrain *Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

2 O come, true Wisdom from on high!
Who madest all in earth and sky,
Creating man from dust and clay:
To us reveal salvation's way.

- 3 O come, O come, Adonai,
Who in thy glorious majesty
From Sinai's mountain, clothed with awe,
Gavest thy folk the ancient law.
- 4 O come, thou Root of Jesse! Draw
The quarry from the lion's claw;
From those dread caverns of the grave,
From nether hell, thy people save.
- 5 O come, thou Lord of David's Key!
The royal door fling wide and free;
Safeguard for us the heavenward road,
And bar the way to death's abode.
- 6 O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!
Pour on our souls thy healing light;
dispel the long night's lingering gloom,
and pierce the shadows of the tomb.
- 7 O come, Desire of nations! Show
Thy kingly reign on earth below;
Thou Corner-stone, uniting all,
Restore the ruin of our fall.

*Cologne 1710, based on the Advent Antiphons
tr. T A Lacey (1853-1931) and editors, melody Thomas Helmore (1811-90)*

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.

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise,
almighty God and everlasting Father,
through Jesus Christ your Son.

For when he humbled himself
to come among us in human flesh,
he fulfilled the plan
you formed before the foundation of the world
to open for us the way of salvation.

Confident that your promise will be fulfilled,
we now watch for the day
when Christ our Lord will come again in glory.

And so we join our voices with angels and archangels
and with all the company of heaven
to proclaim your glory
for ever praising you and saying:

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

Lord, you are holy indeed,
the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

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

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Minister Great is the mystery of faith.

**All Christ has died; Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once
for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice
of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of *[N and]* all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

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.	<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

All **Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

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.

ANTHEM Creator of the stars

Silence is kept.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.

**All Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us
 with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
 Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
 to be a living sacrifice.
 Send us out in the power of your Spirit
 to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.**

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 Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
once for favoured sinners slain;
thousand thousand saints attending
swell the triumph of his train:
alleluya!
God appears on earth to reign.

2 Every eye shall now behold him
robed in dreadful majesty;
those who set at nought and sold him,
pierced and nailed him to the tree,
deeply wailing,
shall the true Messiah see.

3 Those dear tokens of his passion
still his dazzling body bears,
cause of endless exultation
to his ransomed worshippers:
with what rapture
gaze we on those glorious scars!

4 Yea, amen! let all adore thee,
high on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory:
claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly!
Alleluya! Come, Lord, come!

Charles Wesley (1707-1788), Martin Madan (1726-1790), John Cennick (1718-1755)
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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.

The ministers and people depart.

NOTICES

DURING THE INTERREGNUM OUR MINISTRY TEAM is here to assist you:

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HUMBUG & HAPPINESS ADVENT COURSE based on Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol, Thursdays 5, 12 and 19 Dec. Join either the afternoon meeting at 13:30 in All Hallows' Hall, or the evening one at 19:30 at Sue Mutlow's (3 Harvey Rd, Wellingborough NN8 2BW).

ALL SAINTS' CHRISTMAS BAZAAR Sat 7 Dec. We will be grateful for donations: toiletries for the MU stall, cakes, sweets for the chocolate tombola, toys, bric-a-brac, raffle prizes etc. The prize draw tickets are now available, and please buy Christmas quiz sheets from Caroline for £1.

JOINT BENEFICE CONFIRMATION SERVICE Sun 15 Dec, 9:15, All Saints. There is no service at All Hallows that day.

ALL HALLOWS' CHRISTMAS QUIZ SHEETS are available from Margaret and Bob Addie, and in the church hall. Please submit your entries by 6 Jan.

CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR GOOD CAUSES are on sale in the Daylight Shop (2 Cambridge Street, Wellingborough) 9:30-16:00 Mon-Sat, from 20 different charities.

WELLINGBOROUGH SINGERS & ORCHESTRA CHRISTMAS CONCERT Sat 7 Dec 19:30, St Mary's Church, with Haydn's Saint Nicholas Mass, Toy Symphony, and Rutter's carols for choir, orchestra and audience. Tickets £12 incl. refreshments.

SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS EVE: Family Nativity Service & 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.

INTERCESSIONS

PRAY FOR THE CHURCH mission agencies and their work throughout the Anglican Communion; The Porvoo Churches – St Andrews, Dunkeld and Dunblane, Porvoo

PRAY FOR Christian Smalley 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, Anthony Francis, Stephanie Lawson, Simon Bhojani, Margaret Bland

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

ANNIVERSARIES Evelyn Barrett, Evelyn Lovett, John William 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, Caroline Elizabeth Martin, Bernard Sanders, Susan Margaret Adams, Mavis Marion Charlton, Joseph Charles Shatford, Elizabeth Frances Rowbery, Mavis Elizabeth West, Betty Hill, Susan Simson, Emily Palmer, Winifred Mary Cooper, Isabel Galilee, Alison Clark, Frank Pierce, Alan Frank, Dora Foskitt, Walter George Swain, Hilda Grace Marriott

OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES Alyssa Lyman, Sophia Colabuono, Aidan Lynch

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

Mon 2 Dec

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

Tue 3 Dec

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

Wed 4 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

Thu 5 Dec

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Hallows
9:45	Tiny Tots	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Holy Communion BCP	All Saints
13:20	School rehearsal	All Saints
13:30	Advent Course	All Hallows' Hall
18:00	Beavers	All Saints' Hall
19:00	Confirmation preparation	All Hallows' Hall
19:30	Advent Course	Sue Mutlow's

Fri 6 Dec

Nicholas

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Saints
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
9:30	School Christingle	All Saints
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
15:00	setting up for Bazaar	All Saints' Hall
18:30	Junior choir practice	All Saints
19:00	Choir practice	All Saints
19:00	Quire practice	All Hallows

Sat 7 Dec

Ambrose

9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
9:30	MU Communion	All Hallows
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
10:00	Bazaar	All Saints' Hall

Sun 8 Dec

Advent 2

Magazine deadline

08:00	Eucharist	All Saints
9:15	Family Eucharist	All Saints
10:30	Coffee & catch-up	All Hallows
11:15	All-Age Eucharist	All Hallows
19:30	Explorer Scouts	All Saints' Hall

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

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