

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

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| Monday 9th December | 1.00pm 7.30pm | Funeral of Marie Wright <i>Young Saints Planning Meeting at the Vicarage</i> |
| Tuesday 10th | 9.30am 8.00pm | Claire's Court School Rehearsal Tuesday Club in the Parish Centre |
| Wednesday 11th | 10.00am 2.00pm 2.30pm 3.00pm | Eucharist with refreshments Celebrant: The Revd Dr Judith Thomas <i>Service at Normanhurst Care Home</i> <i>Jeanette & the Pastoral Team</i> Senior Saints Christmas Party in the Parish Centre <i>Open the Book at All Saints School</i> |
| Thursday 12th | 7.00pm 8.00pm | Altwood School Carol Service Choir Practice |
| Friday 13th | 10.00am 10.00am | Tiny Saints Toddler Group in the Parish Centre The Shepherds visit Jesus Claire's Court School Nativity |
| Saturday 14th | 10.00am | Christingle Making in the Parish Centre |
| Sunday 15th | THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT | |
| | 8.00am | Holy Communion (BCP) Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Jeremy |
| | 10.00am | Parish Eucharist Christingle Worship for All Celebrant: Fr Jeremy Crèche |

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PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS BOYNE HILL

Sunday 8th December 2019 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*Please take this pew sheet home with you to look at the readings again,
and to remind you of the events taking place.*

8.00am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) Collect and Readings as below
Celebrant: Fr Jeremy **Preacher:** Jeanette Lock

10.00am THE PARISH EUCHARIST

Service: Sundays in Advent

Hymns: *Ancient & Modern*

Celebrant: Fr Jeremy

Organ Prelude

Voluntary on 'Winchester New'

C S Lang

Hymn

46 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

26 v 2 Prophet voices loudly crying

*After the lighting of the Advent Candle Young Saints (3 years & over)
go to the Birinus Room*

COLLECT

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and forever. **Amen**

OT READING

Isaiah 11: 1—10

David Morgan

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea. On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

EPISTLE

Romans 15: 4 - 13

Anne Clark

Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, 'Therefore I will confess you among the

Gentiles, and sing praises to your name'; and again he says, 'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people'; and again, 'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him'; and again Isaiah says, 'The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.' May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Gradual Hymn

34 Earth was waiting, spent and restless

GOSPEL

Matthew 3: 1 — 12

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight."' Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

Sermon

Jeanette Lock

Offertory Hymn

75 Long ago, prophets knew

Communion Hymns

604 Brother, sister, let me serve you

Closing Hymn

38 Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding

Organ Postlude

Merton

M Archer

Refreshments will be served at the back of the Church thanks to the Senior Saints

4.00pm Carols in the Quad with the Salvation Army

Followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre

6.00pm *SUNDAYS@SIX Christmas Tree Festival Service at St Luke's*

Fr Jeremy's Notes

Congratulations this week to **Rene Wilson** on the occasion of her 95th Birthday and to **Elaine Williams** on her 80th Birthday. We wish both of these much loved members of All Saints happy celebrations with their family and friends.

OTHER NOTICES

Tuesday Club 8.00pm 10th December in the Parish Centre

A festive evening making Christmas door-wreaths and table decorations accompanied

by music and seasonal refreshments. Bring along your greenery and bits and bobs; guidance will be on hand for the artistically challenged. All welcome. **Jan Moss**

Senior Saints Wednesday 11th December at 2.30pm in the Parish Centre

For our Christmas meeting, we will once again welcome Keith Russell with his accordion, to entertain us with Carols and interesting lively music suitable for the festive season. We have invited our friends from St Edmund Campion Church, and all who would like to join us for a happy gathering and festive food. We look forward to seeing you, and wish you all a happy and healthy Christmas and 2020.

Senior Saints Friday 13th December 10.30am -12.30pm Galilee Project

Margaret Hill will be holding an open Coffee Morning at 19 Courtfield Drive (just off Courthouse Road opposite the Day Centre) in aid of the Galilee Project. Please let her know numbers if you can come – (0746 096 6797). The proceeds will go towards our support of a worthy project close to us all. **Margaret Hill/Wendy Channon**

Children's Society

There will be a collection for the Children's Society at the Christingle Service on Sunday 15th December. (Suggested donations of £1). Helpers will be needed to make the Christingles between 10.00am and 11.30am on Saturday 14th December in the Parish Centre. Please sign the list at the back of the church and add your contact details if you can help, even for a short time. New volunteers are always welcome (no previous experience required) and it is usually a fun morning. **Anne Clark**

Carol Singing

If you enjoy singing Christmas Carols please feel free to join Fr Jeremy, the Pastoral team and me for our Christmas services at these care homes.

Wednesday 11th December 2.00pm at Normanhurst Care Home

Wednesday 18th December 3.15pm at Larchfield Care Home.

Christmas jumpers are optional.

Jeanette

Flower Arrangers' Christmas Table & Raffles Turn a Holy Floor into a Holy Floor

Please have a look at the table at the back of church which has a wonderful array of handmade Christmassy things: ideal for decorations or gifts. All made by our super-talented flower arrangers. All proceeds will go to **The Galilee Project**.

Raffles: There are two separate raffles; one for a gorgeous Christmas cake and one for wine. Tickets are £1 per strip of 5 tickets and the books are on the table. Make sure you put contact details on each ticket as well as leaving your money. Raffles to be drawn after the 10.00am service on Sunday 22 December.

Jean Balchin & Marian Duncombe

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Please pray for

Our Sidespeople, who offer a welcome to us and to visitors and make sure we have the right books, take up the collection and count it afterwards, tidy the church etc etc...

Tiny Saints, for the children themselves and the adults who bring them, the leaders, and helpers.

Street Angels "loving the person in front of them" in the build-up to the festive season, their support staff and Trustees