## ALL SAINTS' FUTURE EVENTS AND INFORMATION FOR YOUR DIARY

Christingle takings for the Children's Society came to £220. 80! Thank you to everyone.

Term Times for **All Saints' Pre School - Blackwell Hall Mon** - Fri 9.30– 12.30 Contact Radhika Kovendra-Kumar for further details 07531 511388 Email: <u>allsaintspreschoolhw@live.co.uk</u> **GETTING IN TOUCH WITH ALL SAINTS':** 

#### Churchwardens:

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90, Uxbridge Rd, Harrow Weald, Middlesex HA3 6 DQ **Please Note** CHURCH WEBSITE: <u>ashw.org.uk</u> **Forest School / Woodland Adventures** Sharon Ward 07837740546 Contactable via Email <u>Woodlandadventureforestschool@gmail.com</u> 90 Uxbridge Road, Harrow Weald, Middlesex HA3 6 DQ

Please see Philippa or Linda for the donation envelopes for the Christingle Service.

**Bell Ringers:** Our wonderful bells ringers will be ringing the bells throughout the festive season. Thank you. https://bb.ringingworld.co.uk/view.php?id=1788990



## BULLETIN

Sunday 8th December 2024

2nd Sunday of Advent

Hymns: 453, 513, 93, 288 Readings: Philippians 1.3-11 Luke 3.1-6

Following Jesus; for the good of the world



## Saturday 7th December.

Doors open at 10am. Donkey rides to see Father Christmas in his woodland grotto cost  $\pounds$ 7 and includes a chocolate lolly. Rides must be booked in advance please contact Bettina on 07702288026.

Hand Bell Ringers: Midday – 12.45pm The Service Will be live streamed from 10.00am. <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3816805636</u> and will be available on YouTube

### Sunday 8th December

Our Carol Service closes the festival and takes place at 5pm. The service is followed with mulled wine and mince pies.

## Monday 9th December

Trees must be collected on the 9th. The church will be open from 9am to 6pm for exhibitors to collect their trees.

#### All Saints Christmas Lunch Wednesday 11th December – All

Saints are so looking forward to seeing you at the Christmas lunch from 12 noon at Casa-Mia. Please call Denie Mordell on her mobile 07980449961 if you have any queries regarding the lunch.

# Bishop Lusa will be leading the service on the 15<sup>th</sup> December.

The Choir will be Singing at **The Duck In The Pond at 6.30pm on the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024**, please come along and join in the singing. WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS! We hope you find all you need to participate in the service, but please ask if you need help. We have a hearing induction loop and the service is livestreamed. PLEASE NOTE: If you do not wish to be seen on camera, the North Aisle (by the Blue Corner) is out of view, and communion can be brought to You. Just mention this to one of our Welcomers

\*\* A SPECIAL WELCOME TO PARENTS. If you have brought children with you today, we are delighted to have them with us. Please sit where you can see comfortably and follow what's going on. There is an area at the back of church (the 'Blue Corner') with colouring sheets and quiet toys for you to use if needed. You will find toilets, including baby changing facility, through the Vestry.

## Please switch mobile phones off (or put on silent) during the Service

Thought for the weekend: are we ready to prepare the way of the Lord? Our bible readings this weekend focus very much on the value of being prepared, as well as the role of the messenger in assisting in this endeavour. The Old Testament reading includes a prophecy of Malachi, proclaiming that a messenger would be sent to prepare the way for the coming of the Messiah. In the Holy Gospel reading, Luke confirms this prophecy, with his description of John the Baptist responding to God's call to foretell Christ's ministry. This brings to mind the beginning of Godspell, with a single voice singing "prepare ye the way of the Lord". In both the musical, and in reality, John is not the main act. Rather he is the prologue, announcing the arrival of one who is of much more significance, for it is none other than God who is entering human history. Advent is the time when we too are called to prepare for the coming of the Lord. Jesus will fulfil his promises and invites us to radical change. We are reminded that God is seeking to work in us and through us to bring about change. We are called to be a part of this change, as messengers, in every positive action we make, turning from selfish motivation towards the needs of others. As we do this, God's kingdom grows and we become truly ready to welcome our coming Saviour.

**PRAYER FOR THIS WEEKEND:** This is a prayer for guidance written by Saint Benedict who lived in 6th century. It is a perfect prescription to overcome the busyness of our lives: O gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you, intelligence to understand you, diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you, eyes to see you, a heart to meditate on you, and a life to proclaim you, through the power of the spirit of Jesus Christ our

THIS WEEK AT ALL SAINTS'	
Monday 9th December	Tues 10th December -
	10:00 Craft Club,
	Blackwell Hall.
Wednesday 11th December	Thursday 12th December
10:30 Eucharist	
11:00 Bells	
12:00 Parish Lunch Casa-Mia Restaurant	
Friday 13th December	Saturday 14th December
NEXT SUNDAY 15H DECEMBER – 3rd Sunday of Advent 9:15 Bells	
Readings: Philippians 4.4-7 Luke 3.7-18	
10.00 Family Eucharist with Hymns/Music	12.15 pm Mar Thoma

### Lord Amen.

**THOSE IN IMMEDIATE / SHORT-TERM NEED For Healing:** Elle Coleman, John Frith, Doris Lubin, John Beard, Steve Keighley, Rachel Power, Anne Dwyer and Andree Campbell & Colin Campbell.

**For Harrow Pastors:** for the work of volunteers, prayer partners, services that support this work and for all whom our pastors meet and serve.

## FROM OUR MEMORIAL BOOK

DEC 8TH Henry Charles Peterson Wilma Imelda Sheils Helen De Souza

- 10th Sybil Gertrude Angold
- 12th Julia Florence Burchill-Davies
- 13th John Edward Cracknell

## We continue to pray for the departed and all who are grieving:

Christine Bednell, R.I.P. and rise in glory. We pray for Pauline Chandler and her family at this time of sadness for them.