

On behalf of The Shewsey Youth Club....

THANKS for your amazing generosity

It has been our custom in the past few years to support the work of St Peters Everton, by providing Christmas gifts for the young people who attend the Shewsey Youth Club. The Vicar, Revd Henry Corbett, has expressed his appreciation of our support for this inner city work.



THANK YOU, too, to all our church leaders and officials who have kept in contact through the Lock-downs and beyond. May the Lord encourage us all to grow together and in faith, through friendly acts of kindness and loving concern. We look forward to

Now we are back in church.....

let us not forget our social responsibility to our fellow Christians abroad. At the back of church there are some donation tubes for **Kanzi Kibera Friends** (food programme for slum schools in Nairobi) please take one to fill with coins. Helen will offer any information required.

 **SHARING JESUS CHANGING LIVES** **AND....** We have new Partners for CMS **Helen & Marc**. They work in North Africa, and their situation is politically sensitive. They have learned the local language and work alongside community projects: **M** leads outdoor pursuits in the mountains whilst building relationships and discipling new Christians: **H** home-schools their four children and teaches healthcare & first-aid to local women. More details for our prayers to follow. If you would like to offer a 'welcome' gift, please put it in an envelope, clearly labelled and place on the offertory plate. Gift Aid can be claimed on all donations.

Chris & Suzy Wilson, Abigail, Matthew and Micah (CMS- Ethiopia) continue to need our prayers as they settle in Oxford. (Chris will study for a Masters' degree in Bristol) for several months until it is safe to return to Gambella.

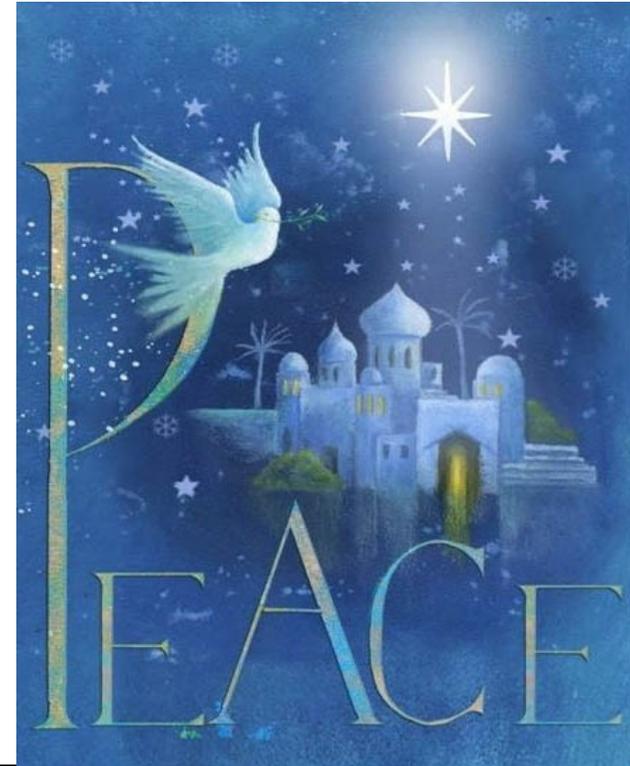
Cast all your anxieties on Him,
for He cares about you.

1 Peter 5:7

With prayerful best wishes for 2021 from All Saints Church

All Saints Church

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SUNDAY SERVICES

10:00am	Holy Communion	1 st and 3 rd Sundays
	Morning Worship	2 nd , 4 th & 5 th Sundays

WEDNESDAY

9:45am	Church open for prayer
10:30am	Holy Communion BCP

DEAR FRIENDS

As I write this letter, Advent is about to begin. This is a wonderful time of year, when we look forward to preparing for the coming of Jesus.

Advent is a time of self examination, a time to reflect maybe on this past year, a year probably most of us would like to forget.

How has 2020 gone? For each one of us, maybe self isolating with little or no fellowship with each other, has our dependence on God seen us through maybe dark days? Advent reminds us of the coming light of the world - Jesus came to lighten the dark areas and times in our lives, when we cannot see the way ahead. We only have to ask for help, and as the Bible reminds us. "ask and you will receive" The leadership team are always ready to pray for you, or if you are lonely to have a chat.

2020 has not been a good year for the church, services stopped, started, stopped. We all feel the loss of fellowship, of coffee together after the service, coffee mornings, events. But 2021 promises to be a year when we can get back to some form of normality. We will look forward to our fellowship together again and we will look to regain lost ground in mission. We need to see what God wants of each one of us to see a renewed All Saints, ready to serve our community.

Blessings and stay safe

Alan Buckley, Lay Minister

Due to the Coronavirus, all special calendar social events, are on hold. We will endeavour to keep you updated on changes that might happen, subject to Government and Bishop's directives.

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N.B. Fr. Tom is always available to offer private prayer, particularly in cases of illness, or times of distress, both to members of the congregation, and also all who live in this parish.

WHAT'S ON IN DECEMBER - JANUARY

Services as advertised on the front sheet.

Sun. 6th 10 am Back in church for Holy Communion

Mon. 21st 7.30pm Christmas Poetry Evening (ZOOM) Book with the Lloyds - tel.

Fri. 25th 10 am Christmas Day Communion (533530)

Sun. 27th 10 am Christmas Worship, Words & Music

Sun. 3rd January 10 am The first Communion of 2021

ALL SUBJECT TO ANY NEW GOVERNMENT DIRECTIVES.



FOODBANK Now the church is open, **please support the Foodbank by leaving items in the basket in the porch.** Or, if you wish to support financially, please send cheques to Southport Foodbank at Lakeside Church, North Promenade. or Online to Sort-code:40-42-30 A/c no. 42087391

FOR OUR PRAYERS

- Remember all medical workers and scientists as they continue working to end the period of Coronavirus.
- Those recovering from recent sickness or undergoing long-term treatment.
- Those who are housebound and their carers.
- Members of the congregation who are vulnerable in this present situation; or being cared for in residential homes.
- For recently bereaved families as they face their first Christmas without loved ones.
- Father Tom, Alan and the leadership team as they seek God's plan for the way forward for the Church, and seek to support the congregation at present and develop opportunities for mission.
- Our Prime Minister, his Cabinet and special advisors for wisdom to minimise the suffering of the nation, and how to cope with handling the situation for those having caught the virus, and to stop its spread.
- For those in business and work as things open up again : pray for wisdom and commonsense in maintaining health and safety for all, especially for children and staff in all the schools in Southport.
- For our new Mission Partners, Marc, Helen and family, now returned to North Africa, as they resettle after six months in the UK.