

ST DENYS CHURCH EVINGTON, BULLETIN

Sunday 2nd November 2025, All Saints and All Souls, 4th Sunday before Advent



Readings for 10am: Ephesians 1 vs 11-end; Luke 6 vs 20-31

Dear Friends, We have a lot to be thankful to God for at St. Denys! In addition to a friendly and strong Lay Team supported by volunteers, working together to run the church whilst in vacancy, I have been encouraged that I have managed to find clergy cover (except for a couple of occasions or so when worship has been Lay led) for every Sunday and Thursday morning service, and monthly Evensong, since Revds Anthony and Mark left us.

In just recent times, we have had several joyful events and services: In September, we witnessed the christening of Baby Sinklair by Revd Cecilia Adjadge. Sinklair was so well behaved, taking in all around him and he loved Revd Cecilia – the feeling was mutual. Rather cute to see! In September, we invited the Intercultural Worship Ministry Team (Jessie Tang and her colleague Michael) to lead us in worship for the second time. Kimberley Tyler, our Pastoral Warden, was Commissioned as a 'Locally Authorised Minister' last month during the Harvest Holy Communion service, The parish harvest lunch that followed was enjoyed by those able to attend. Leicester Cathedral Choir and organist David Cowen, came to sing full choral Evensong.

Our work with local schools continues. Avanti Fields donated much of the non-perishable goods we received for our harvest festival—thanks to all who did donate! School visits are happening now and more are booked in for this year and Easter to come! We will have our annual All Souls service this coming Sunday. Wreath making workshops take place at the end of November, and I am planning a simple 9 Lessons and Carols service for Sunday 21st December. A Christmas Tree Festival is planned for the second weekend in December and two concerts in November and December—and much more!

As we organise and hold these different activities and services, let us never forget that in all we do, we should do it to the praise and glory of God, our Lord and Saviour. That should be the single most important reason above everything else. We should proclaim the gospel and bring others to know Christ in all that we do and say. Hold that as your inspiration! Blessings, **Qyan**

COMING UP THIS WEEK:

Thursday 30th 10.30am Gentle Exercise Group meet in the parish centre

Thursday 30th 12pm Private Booking in the parish centre

Friday 31st 12pm Private Booking in the parish centre

Sunday 2nd November 10am Holy Communion in church and on Zoom; ID 820 0369 6332 (password from Qyan) **4pm All Souls service** in church

Monday 3rd 10.30am Private Booking in the parish centre

Monday 3rd 2pm Monday Meet meet in the parish centre

Tuesday 4th 9am Private Booking in the parish centre

Tuesday 4th 7.30pm Lily House Bereavement Group church & parish centre

Thursday 6th 10.30am Gentle Exercise Group meet in the parish centre

Thursday 6th 12pm Private Booking in the parish centre

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Thursday 30th 10am—12 noon Open Church

Thursday 30th Oct & 6th Nov 10am Holy Communion (BCP, said)



We are grateful to Canon Matthew Bradbury for presiding and preaching at our All Saints service of Holy Communion, this Sunday 2nd November at 10am. Refreshments will be served in the parish centre after the service.

The Annual Service for All Souls will take place this coming Sunday 2nd November, at 4pm, led by Canon Matthew and our Reader Geraldine, followed by refreshments in the parish centre. If you would like the name/s of departed loved ones read out, e-mail **by tomorrow, Friday 31st October** using the e-mail address: office@stdenys.org.uk



Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion will take place on Thursday 6th November at 10am, with clergy from Beaumont Leys, presiding and preaching. All are very welcome.

New People are Needed to join the rotas for reading and preparing/ delivering the intercessions during Sunday morning worship. **Qyan**

Chantique Voices a brand new choir consisting of experienced choral singers, are giving their first ever concert, in St. Thomas' Church, South Wigston on Saturday 8th November at 7.30pm. Music for Remembrance included. Featuring soloists Roy-Anthony Birch (Baritone) and Ian Orr (Organ). FREE entry, retiring collection for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

The Knighton Community Choir will give a concert in St. Denys on Saturday 15th November at 7pm. Tickets are priced at only £6 and are available from our Treasurer Michael White, or at the door on the evening itself. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the parish centre. A raffle will also be held. This is a fundraiser for St. Denys so please come along and bring family and lots of friends!

The Wreath Making Sessions are proving very popular! At the time of writing, there are only five places left - for the session taking place on Saturday 22nd November at 10am. You need to act quickly if you would like to take part! Cost is £17 to cover all the materials provided. Bring your own gloves and secateurs for the holly! Book with Peter Felstead on 07305 887989.



Christmas Tree Festival 13th and 14th December Plans for our Christmas Tree Festival are now well underway, and we are looking for offers of help for prizes and for teas.

We are planning to give a Christmas hamper as a prize for the Christmas tree judged to be the best by the Lord Mayor and a second hamper for the tree judged best by a public vote. There will be a list of items required for these hampers at the back of church. Please have a look at the

list and sign up to bring one of the items if you possibly can.

We are also looking for donations of cakes. If you can provide a sponge cake that can be cut into slices, please put your name on the cake list. Alternatively, if you would prefer to donate money so cakes can be bought, there will be envelopes provided for your donation.

There will also be a sheet for you to sign up on if you can help on one of the days of the Festival

The Christmas Tree Festival is an important fundraising occasion for St Denys church and also a great opportunity to welcome members of our local community and people from the surrounding area to St Denys. **Please put the date in your diary and offer to help if you can. Ann Bennett**



Cantamici will be in Concert at St. Denys on Saturday 6th December at 7pm. They have visited us in the past to perform and have toured the UK and Europe too! This will be, in part, a Christmas programme of music. Pay on the door! All are very welcome and refreshments will be served in the parish centre after the service. Do come along and bring your family and friends.



Christmas Carol Singing will take place on Wednesday 17th December in the Cow and Plough pub at 7pm, compered by Chris Hossack. We are hoping as many people as possible from St. Denys will join him on this festive occasion.

‘Come and Sing’ Candlelit Christmas Carol Service This will take place on Sunday 21st December in the afternoon or early evening. If you would like to be part of a choir for this service, please do contact me. It would be lovely to have church members take part in this way. You do not have to be an experienced singer and the music chosen, will be straightforward, with one rehearsal on the day itself, so your time commitment is kept to a minimum. I look forward to hearing from you. **Qyan**

Collect for All Saints God of holiness, your glory is proclaimed in every age: as we rejoice in the faith of your saints, inspire us to follow their example with boldness and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Collect for 4th Sunday before Advent God of glory, touch our lips with the fire of your spirit, that we with all creation may rejoice to sing your praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pray for those known to us personally, who are suffering from long term health conditions.

Pray for the long term sick: Joan Ackland, Pat Davies, Nigel Dearman, Ann Dixon, Val Lamont, Morag and Ron Maund, Richard Williams. **Pray for those who mourn including the family and friends of** Stephenson Blake, Vinette Jaimeson, Adalin Kiffin



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