

joy to be shared by the whole people. Today in the town of David a saviour has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. And here is a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly with the angel there was a great throng of the heavenly host, praising God and singing: "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace to men who enjoy his favour."

### Diary Dates

**Sunday 27th December:** 10am Said Eucharist  
NO Evensong at 5.30pm

**Sunday 3rd January:** 10am Sung Eucharist  
NO Evensong at 5.30pm

**Monday 11th January:** 7.30pm - Stewardship meeting

**Monday 18th January:** 7.30pm - Hall/Events meeting

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## Welcome to All Saints' Parish Church

25th December  
2020

*The Nativity  
of  
the Lord*



#### Today we pray for:

*those with birthdays:* Alison Taylor, Jo Davey & Jo Willbye

*the sick:* Quince Moodie, Fr. Peter, Stuart Smith, Ray Wright, Claire Wood, Sandra Gait, Michael Wright, Barry White & Ann Dickinson

*the anniversaries of death of:* Violet Godfrey, Jack Laws, Fred Laws, Montague (Monty) Gait, May Anthony, Ethel Cousins, Martin Corley, Marjorie Stead & Joan Chudyba



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**Reader:** John Torr  
**Intercessor:** Isobel Bird

**Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 9: 1 - 7

*Theme: A son is given to us.*

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone. You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase; they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils. For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor, these you break as on the day of Midian. For all the footgear of battle, every cloak rolled in blood, is burnt, and consumed by fire. For there is a child born for us, a son given to us and dominion is laid on his shoulders; and this is the name they give him: Wonder-Counsellor, Mighty-God, Eternal-Father, Prince-of-Peace. Wide is his dominion in a peace that has no end, for the throne of David and for his royal power, which he establishes and makes secure in justice and integrity. From this time onwards and for ever, the jealous love of the Lord of Hosts will do this.

**Psalm**

98: 1-6

**℟ All the ends of the earth  
have seen the salvation of our God.**

Sing to the Lord a new song  
For he has worked wonders.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
have brought salvation. ℟

The Lord has made known his salvation;  
has shown his justice to the nations.  
He has remembered his truth and love  
for the house of Israel. ℟

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.  
Shout to the Lord all the earth,  
ring out your joy. ℟

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp  
with the sound of music.  
With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
acclaim the King, the Lord. ℟



*Psalm from the Grail Psalter © 1963, 1986 The Grail [England]*

**New Testament Reading**

Titus 2: 11-14

*Theme: God's grace has been revealed to the whole human race.*

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good.

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**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

A hallowed day has dawned upon us.  
Come, you nations, worship the Lord,  
for today a great light has shone down upon the earth.  
**Alleluia!**

**Gospel**

Luke 2: 1-14

*Theme: Today a saviour has been born to you.*

Now at this time Caesar Augustus issued a decree for a census of the whole world to be taken. This census - the first - took place while Quirinius was I governor of Syria, and everyone went to his own town to be registered. So Joseph set out from the town of Nazareth in Galilee and travelled up to Judaea, to the town of David called Bethlehem, since he was of David's House and line, in order to be registered together with Mary, his betrothed, who was with child. While they were there the time came for her to have her child, and she gave birth to a son, her first-born. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger because there was no room for them at the inn. In the countryside close by there were shepherds who lived in the fields and took it in turns to watch their flocks during the night. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them. They were terrified, but the angel to said, "Do not be afraid. Listen, I bring you news of great joy, a