

**Collect**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**

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 for ever.

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**Prayers**

**Praise God:**

- The sense of expectation which Advent brings
- That He is Gracious

**Thank God for:**

- The gift of Parenthood
- The community of Childwall which we are part of
- The opportunities we have in this Advent season to share the wonderful news about Jesus

**Please pray:**

- That the toy's donated this morning will bring joy to children in difficult circumstances this Christmas
- For our response to the 2nd Advent Challenge contained in this weeks' Notice Sheet
- For our community event on Wednesday evening and all who are taking part
- For the preparations and rehearsals for all our Christmas Services
- For all those affected by the terrorist attack at Fishmongers Hall last weekend especially those who are bereaved
- For the Mother's Union days of prayer bringing before God issues of modern slavery and sexual abuse
- For our young people as they attend 678 and Ignite this evening, praying that the Holy Spirit will come alongside those that are attending Ignite and that 678 will enjoy a safe and fun time of fellowship together
- For Christians Against Poverty (CAP) as they support families through their Debt Management Plans so enabling them to repay what they owe and to learn the skills to manage their family finances and also giving them the space to reconnect with God and to rediscover His goodness
- For the children and young people in our Boys' Brigade and all our uniformed organisations, as they enjoy the experiences and opportunities provided for them and that they recognise the love of God that surrounds and embraces them
- For the Staff and Students at Liverpool Hope University on this last week of term
- For the conduct and response to the General Election result this week
- For the residents of Devon Way, Downham Close and Downham Green
- For those who are sick, anxious or undergoing medical procedures at this time
- For those who are bereaved, or who remember the anniversary of a bereavement at this time



**WELCOME**  
in the name of the  
Lord Jesus  
to our services today.  
We are delighted to see you.



Website:

<https://www.allsaintschildwall.org.uk>

**Sunday 8 December**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**

- 9.00 a.m.** Holy Communion  
Matthew 3: 1-12 and  
Romans 15: 4-13
- 11.00 a.m.** Parade/Toy Service
- 6.30 p.m.** Evening Worship with  
prayers for reconciliation  
and healing  
'Advent'
- 6.40 p.m.** ToAST at *Ignite*  
(see separate notice for  
further information)

**Sunday 8 December 2019**

**All Saints ... Welcome**

We try to be a **disabled friendly church**. If you or someone you are with require large print service books, hymn books or a copy of these notices, please ask one of the sides people. There is a loop system in operation in church. 

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There are **wheelchair - friendly pews** at the front situated close to the disabled access point. For your own safety, we would encourage you to take advantage of this provision if it is relevant to your needs. In the event of an emergency evacuation of this building, the priest's door, situated to the right of the front table and close to the wheelchair - friendly pews at the front, may prove to be the most effective way of leaving. If you have any questions please speak to the vicar or wardens.

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We try to be a **child friendly church**, don't worry if your baby cries during the service - we won't. There are activity bags at the back of church for babies and small children. There is a Parent and Carers room by the main door and baby changing facilities in the church hall. Just ask one of the greeters if you need any help. 

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**Sunday 'Fairtrade' Coffee**

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| <b>8 December</b>  | .. | Terry Owens and Team  |
| <b>15 December</b> | .. | Margaret Thwaite's SG |
| <b>22 December</b> | .. | PCC Pastoral Area     |

**Please take this sheet home with you**

### Mince Pies and Refreshments after the Carol Service

I am co-ordinating the Refreshments after the Carol Service so will be grateful for any offers of help to set up, serve and clear away. Donations of Mince Pies will also be gratefully received

**Garry Critchley - [garry.critchley@gmail.com](mailto:garry.critchley@gmail.com)**

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### Christmas Cards

As wardens we want to share with you an initiative that some of our congregation have supported in recent years. Rather than send each other Christmas cards, some people place one card for the whole congregation on the artificial Christmas tree at the back of Church so that everyone can see it. The money that would have been spent on them is donated to charities such as Tear Fund or similar ones.

Of course, we know there can be real benefits in the opportunity Christmas affords to contact one another, and perhaps even to visit someone, especially those who no longer come to Church for whatever reason. Limiting the number of cards that we send is simply an option for us all to consider. As well as being consistent with our Church's drive to be more 'eco-friendly', we can support charities at the same time. There are also Gift Aid benefits in doing this.

### Church Wardens

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### Rock Club Nativity

It's that time of year again! We are very much looking forward to leading the Nativity service on **Sunday 22 December** at 11.00 a.m. Please invite your families, friends and neighbours to join us in this unique retelling of the 'reason for the season'!

This year we are inviting **everybody** to join the children in dressing up as their favourite nativity character! Yes grown-ups...it's your chance to be the angel/Joseph/donkey that you always wanted to be but never got the chance! Please feel free to be imaginative and creative rather than spending any money!

Please look out for further details in a letter with your child.

**Rachel McClelland**  
**[mccllelland6@btinternet.com](mailto:mccllelland6@btinternet.com)**

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### Christmas Shopping Eco Challenge

When buying clothes for yourself or as a present this Christmas try to:

- buy British made clothes to reduce the Carbon Footprint caused by transportation;
- look for labels 'Certified Organic' or 'Fairtrade' to ensure the fabric has been ethically sourced; and
- avoid clothes containing nylon or viscose as they generate most greenhouse gases when being produced

### Tom Wilson

June, Gary and Alistair thank everyone most sincerely for their prayers and good wishes, especially Andrew, our Vicar, on the loss of Tom. Thank you.

**June Wilson**

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### Church Flowers

The flowers today have been sponsored by **Tim and Paul Shuttleworth** in memory of their parents, Bill and Brenda.

**Joan Anderton**  
**(0151) 722 9823**

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### Mothers' Union and 16 Days

16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence is an international campaign. It takes place each year from 25 November to 10 December. Throughout the campaign, Mothers' Union joins with many other organisations, globally, to raise awareness of, and call for an end to gender based violence in *all* forms and in *all* societies. The focus this year is to stop violence against women and children.

A prayer station has been set up at the back of church. It features several people who work hard to support women and children in need and some of those who have been helped. These are just a few representatives of thousands if not millions around the world.

There is a verse and prayer for each day throughout the 16 Days. I have aimed to make the captions child friendly, but a few prayers have some frank vocabulary. Please don't hesitate to ask me for more information.

**Sue Watterson**  
**Mothers' Union Branch Leader**  
**(0151) 428 8406 and 07707 901 279**  
**[suewatterson@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:suewatterson@hotmail.co.uk)**

**National Domestic Violence Helpline**  
**0800 200 0247**  
**[www.nationaldomesticviolencehelpline.org.uk](http://www.nationaldomesticviolencehelpline.org.uk)**

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### Prayer List

Please contact **David Anderton** to add names of those who are sick to the Prayer List, ensuring that the person concerned has agreed to be included. To keep the list current, names will be included for 4 consecutive weeks, after which they will be removed unless a request is made for the names to remain for a further period.

**David Anderton - (0151) 722 9823**  
**[d.anderton68@btinternet.com](mailto:d.anderton68@btinternet.com)**

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### Notices

Please send items to be included in the Notices for **Sunday 15 and 22 December 2019** to David Anderton to arrive **before 5.00 p.m.** on **Tuesday 10 December 2019**.

### Advent Challenge

The four weeks leading up to Christmas. A time of rush, stress, worry? It doesn't have to be. Take time to do our Advent Challenge. Be a blessing to others this Christmas.

#### Week 2

Find time this week to call on someone whose home has become a prison, an isolated young mum, an elderly housebound person, or a lonely neighbour. These people are all around us. We only have to open our eyes to become more aware of them.

**'I was in prison and you came to visit me'**

**Matthew 25: 36**

**Barbara Critchley**

**[barbara.critchley24@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.critchley24@gmail.com)**

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#### CHAT

Wednesday 11 December from 2.00 - 4.00 p.m. Come and have a Christmas cupper with cake etc. while you chat. There will be craft for those who want it and maybe a carol. Margaret, Wendy, Sue and Dilys look forward to seeing you.

**Margaret Thwaite**

**[margaret@thethwaites.co.uk](mailto:margaret@thethwaites.co.uk)**

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#### 6,7,8 and Christingle

6,7,8 will be helping out with the Christingle refreshments after the service on **Sunday 15 December**. There will be no 6,7,8 **tonight** (Sunday 8 December). So come and join us straight after the service on Sunday 15 December.

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#### Books and CDs Wanted

Are you having a clear out of books and CD's before Christmas? if so please pass them on to us or ring to arrange collection as we are holding a book sale and coffee morning in February and would value any donations.

**Barbara Critchley**

(0151) 722 9643

**Diane Deacon**

(0151) 280 3636

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#### Children's Society House Boxes

Many thanks to those who have returned their House Boxes. I have now banked a further £386 for the Children's Society. Please remember when returning your box to have your name on it so that I can return it to you and inform you of how much you have collected. The Christingle service is on December 15th at 5pm.

**Delia Owen**

**[deliaowen@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:deliaowen@hotmail.co.uk)**

	<b>Monday 9 December</b>
<b>10.00 a.m.</b>	Storytime at All Hallows Church Hall
	<b>Tuesday 10 December</b>
<b>12.00 noon</b>	Mothers' Union Christmas Meal at Hope University
<b>7.00 p.m.</b>	Vestry Hour
	<b>Wednesday 11 December</b>
<b>9.30 a.m.</b>	Churchyard Gardening
<b>2.00 p.m.</b>	CHAT in the Church Hall
<b>6.30 p.m.</b>	Community Event in the Church Hall Car Park
	<b>Thursday 12 December</b>
<b>10.45 a.m.</b>	Holy Communion (BCP)
<b>1.45 p.m.</b>	Pram Club
<b>8.00 p.m.</b>	Christmas Choir Practice
	<b>Friday 13 December</b>
	<b>Saturday 14 December</b>
<b>8.00 a.m.</b>	Men's Breakfast
	<b>Sunday 15 December</b>
	<b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>
<b>9.00 a.m.</b>	Holy Communion with prayers for reconciliation and healing Matthew 11: 2-11 and James 5: 7-10
<b>11.00 a.m.</b>	Holy Communion with prayers for reconciliation and healing
<b>5.00 p.m.</b>	Christingle
<b>6.40 p.m.</b>	ToAst Social

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#### Operation Christmas Child

Jayne Cullen and Sue Harrison and girls took 88 shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child to the warehouse last week. I would like to thank everyone who supported this charity this year your kindness will be much appreciated.

**Jayne Cullen**

**[jaynes40th@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jaynes40th@yahoo.co.uk)**

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#### Storytime

On **Monday 9 December** we have local children's author, Rebecca Fan Bliston, coming to read her latest book to us, The Maghull Monkey. Please come and join us at 10.00 a.m. at All Hallows' Church Hall. Storytime is for children new-born up to age 4 and their parents and carers.

**Elizabeth Morris**

**[elizabeth\\_morris@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:elizabeth_morris@hotmail.co.uk)**

**A Prayer for the  
2019 General Election**

God of grace and truth,  
send your Spirit to guide us  
as we discover your will for our country.  
Help us to discuss the issues before us  
with courtesy, truth and mutual respect,  
and grant that all who stand for parliament  
will seek to serve the common good,  
through him who came not to be served  
but to serve,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

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**Men's Breakfast**

Our final gathering of the year is on **Saturday 14 December**. As usual we start at 8.00 a.m. prompt and finish around 9.15 a.m. Our final subject for the year is to be Jonah - Running away from God landed him in deep water!! Can you evade God? Text - Jonah 1 and 2 (the whole book). Our speaker will be Keith Caulkin. Join us for breakfast, followed by a time of sharing, our talk, prayer time and we finish by singing a hymn together. It is a great way to start the weekend. Any queries, speak to Paul Austin, Aidan Holmes, John McLoughlin or Peter Jennins.

**Peter Jennins**  
[peter@jennins.com](mailto:peter@jennins.com)

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**Ignite Youth Night**

*Ignite* at Life Church Bebington is **tonight on Sunday 8 December** and sees secondary school pupils come together from across Merseyside for a night full of worship and great teaching. We will meet in the **Church Hall car park at 6.40 p.m.** for lifts (expected back 9.30 p.m.).

**Stuart McClelland - (0151) 722 6447**  
[mccllelland6@btinternet.com](mailto:mccllelland6@btinternet.com)

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**Notices**

Do you know anyone who receives these Notices by email? If you do, please could you ask them to send an email to:

**Kate McArthur**  
[katemcarthur1@hotmail.com](mailto:katemcarthur1@hotmail.com)

to rebuild the circulation list. This is a different email address to that previously used.

**Ruth Scott**  
[office.allsaintschildwall@gmail.com](mailto:office.allsaintschildwall@gmail.com)

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**Special Service**

This month's Special Service will take place this afternoon at 3.00 p.m. at St. David's, Childwall. All are welcome to attend this informal service along with family members and carers and enjoy fellowship over a cup of tea afterwards.

**Mark Turner - [mark.s.turner@sky.com](mailto:mark.s.turner@sky.com)**

**Childwall Community Christmas Tree**

The Community Tree Lights will be switched on at 7.00 p.m. on **Wednesday 11 December** in All Saints Church Hall Car Park, Childwall Abbey Road. Carols from 6.45 p.m. led by Childwall C of E Year 6 Choir. Please join us for this community event. If you could help as a **Steward** from 6.30 p.m., please contact:

**Rev. Andrew Colmer**

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**All Saints Bake Off**

Save the date - **Saturday 11 January 2020** from 2.00 - 4.00 p.m. in the Church Hall. More information to follow.

**Barbara Kelly**  
[b.a.kelly112@gmail.com](mailto:b.a.kelly112@gmail.com)

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**Real Christmas Eve Kits**

Each year All Saints Playgroup Fundraising Committee volunteers produce a Real Christmas Eve Kit to raise funds for playgroup. The personalised Kits contain some exciting treats and educate children about the real reason that we celebrate Christmas. The last date for ordering is **tonight (Sunday 8 December)** and the Kits will be ready for collection week commencing Monday 9 December.

The Kits cost £5 and every penny goes to our Playgroup. Payment can be made in cash or if you have a PayPal account, we can email a link for you to pay via that method.

If you would like to order any for your children/grandchildren/friends or neighbours then please include in an email the child/children's names to:

**Sue Gibbs - [suegibbs69@gmail.com](mailto:suegibbs69@gmail.com)**  
**Rhia Preston - [rhiapreston@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:rhiapreston@hotmail.co.uk)**

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**Thank you from the Boys' Brigade**

A huge thanks to everyone who was able to support the Boys' Brigade Christmas Extravaganza on Friday 29th November. We raised £950 for our youth ministry which we're thoroughly pleased with! Thank you.

**Andrew McCaldon**  
[andrew.mccaldon@outlook.com](mailto:andrew.mccaldon@outlook.com)

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**Giving to All Saints**

All Saints is very grateful for every donation received. If you would like to become a regular giver, or do give, but do not yet 'Gift Aid' your donation (worth an extra 25p in every £1!), then please ask a sides person for information. Forms are also available at the back of Church.

Thank you to everyone who supports All Saints.

**Ruth Scott - (0151) 538 5973**  
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