The Parishes of Adbaston, Gnosall, High Offley & Knightley, Moreton and Norbury Sunday 30th November. (Advent Sunday)

Collect

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Romans 13: 11-14

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God.**

Matthew 24: 36-44

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew: Glory to you O Lord. 'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field: one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour. This is the Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you O Christ.

In our year's mind (St Lawrence, Gnosall) we remember: Teresa Mary Payne, Joan Eileen Webb, Cyril Evans, George Richardson, Nellie Elizabeth Walker.

Notices

This Week's Services- 30th November

Norbury 10:30am Benefice Service of Holy Communion.

Parking is available at Church Farm. Please drive through the gate and park on the left-hand side of the yard. Thank you.

Next Week's Services- 7th December

Gnosall 8am Holy Communion **10am** Benefice Zoom Worship

Coffee and Chat

Join us for Coffee and Chat 10:30-12:30 at St Lawrence Church. 1st Saturday of every month. All Welcome.

Bingo & Bangers Norbury Village Hall

Saturday 29th November Doors open 7.15 for 7.30pm start. Admission £6.00 (children £3.00) Includes Hot Dog in the interval Please bring your own drinks and glasses. *Proceeds to St. Peter's Church, Norbury.*

St. Peter's Church, Norbury Christmas Tree Festival Theme - Christmas Songs Saturday 13th - Sunday 14th December 10.00am - 4.00pm

Entry Free (donations appreciated) Refreshments available. Everyone will be very welcome. Please park at Church Farm

St. Lawrence Church Flowers

We will decorate the Church for Christmas on Monday 22nd December from 9am to 11am. Please bring your own flowers and greenery. Everyone welcome. Donations for flowers may be given to Helen Air.

Thank you

Christian Food is grateful to everyone across the Gnosall Benefice who contributed to the generous harvest donations this autumn. Your generosity means that we can face the winter able to support struggling families and individuals with some confidence. Our prayers and thanks, Cathy Lister

Eco Tip of the Month

Measure your carbon footprint. Take an audit of your individual or household carbon footprint and repeat each year to see if you can reduce it! There are lots of ways to do this, from switching energy suppliers to changes in your diet. Some great tools to use are available, for example the carbon calculators provided by Climate Stewards at climatestewards.org/carbon calculators, and Creation Care creationcare.org.uk, offers a specific resource for households giving ideas and helping you track your progress. As you look at different areas of your life, offer each area or action to God as an offering.

Just Giving Pages

We have a Just Giving page for 3 of our churches so far. Please scan the correct QR code if you would like to donate this way. Giving via Lichfield Diocese means Gift Aid is reclaimed on behalf of the church and all donations are passed to us without any fees or commission.

Gnosall



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Norbury

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