



3rd February 2019

## Candlemas

ALL SAINTS  
CHURCH  
DENMEAD



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### Today's Services

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30am Parish Communion

6.00pm Healing Service

### President / Preacher

Revd Emma Racklyeft

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Peter Mitchell

### Today's Readings

8.00am Hebrews 2: 14-end

Luke 2: 22-40

9.30am Malachi 3: 1-5

Hebrews 2: 14-end

Luke 2: 22-40

### Intercessions:

Karen Gaskin

### Flowers:

Joan Woodland

### Vicar's day off this week:

Friday 8th February

Welcome to All Saints!

Refreshments are served in the hall after the 9.30am service every week. Please join us to have a chat, meet new friends and catch up with current ones.

Children are welcome in Sunday School or there are quiet activities at the back of church for them to enjoy.

If you are a newcomer please have a word with the Clergy, Churchwardens or Sidespeople.

We look forward to meeting you.

## Luke 2: 22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons."

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying,

*"Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel."*

And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too."

There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

## GENERAL NOTICES

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Please also check out and like our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/allsaintsdenmead](http://www.facebook.com/allsaintsdenmead)

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### Wedding Preparation Day

A huge thank you to all who helped with and supported the Wedding preparation Day on Sunday. We had eight couples attend, all of whom will be married at All Saints over the course of this year. We ate well, talked a lot and spent time looking at what Christian marriage is about. Please do pray for the couples (photos on the board at the back of church) as they prepare for their weddings. Many thanks. *Revd Emma*

**Thank you** very much to all who have given so much support and help over recent months and to everyone who came to Mike's funeral and helped make it such a wonderful celebration of his life. *Merrill Partridge*

The **Sanctuary Guild AGM** will be held tomorrow **Monday 4th February** at **2.00pm** in the **Heath Room and Church Hall**. Any church members who would like to join us to help with flower arranging in the church are very warmly welcomed.  
*Lesley Hallett* (9225 6910)

The PCC is meeting on Sat 9th Feb to play and plan for the coming year. Please hold us in your prayers.

**Calling all men - Wednesday 13th February** at **6.30pm**. Following last year's successful event the Men's Group are again holding a skittles and curry evening at the Barley Mow pub in Walderton, West Sussex. The cost to cover a curry and the hire of the skittle alley is £12. We will meet in the church car park at 6.30pm and transport will be arranged. If you would like to join us please sign the list at the back of church or email [denmeadbarges@aol.com](mailto:denmeadbarges@aol.com)

### News from Revd Sandie

Sandie and Geoff have this week moved to their new home on the Isle of Wight. If you would like to know their new address please contact Claire in the Church Office.

### ELECTORAL ROLL

**Every six years the church has to start afresh with our Electoral Roll. This means every single person who would like to be on the roll must take a form from the back of church, complete and return to the church office by 18th March 2019. If you are a regular worshipper here at All Saints or live in the parish you are very welcome to be on our Electoral Roll. This allows you to attend and vote at the APCM (annual church meeting) each year. Many thanks. *Revd Emma***

**Messy Church** takes place once a month and is a fun filled afternoon of craft, singing, prayer and games, focussed around a Bible story or theme. It is aimed at Primary aged children and their families. It runs every third Saturday from 3.30 to 5.30pm in the Church Hall. We are currently looking for volunteers to join the team and help with planning and running the sessions. If you would like to find out more please speak to *Revd Emma*.

### Pastoral Care

A big thank you to Nicola Ellis for all the work she has done in recent years leading the Pastoral Care Team. Nicola has now stepped back from this role and Karen Gaskin has agreed to be our new Pastoral Care Team Leader. If you notice that a member of our congregation has not attended church as they usually do, or if you hear that someone is unwell or in hospital, or struggling in some way, please let Revd Emma know or contact the church office and leave a message for Karen, so that we can arrange support visits as needed.

### GDPR FORMS

If you attend All Saints and want Revd Emma and the PCC to keep in touch with you, we now under the General Data Protection Regulations law of 2018, must have your written consent to allow us to telephone, email or write to you. There are copies of the GDPR form at the back of the church. These give you options for what level of contact you wish to receive from us. Please take one, complete it and return it to Claire in the Church Office. Many thanks.

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### Next week's services—Sunday 10th February

8.00am	Holy Communion
9.30am	Family Praise
6.00pm	Evensong

### Next week's readings

8.00am	1 Corinthians 15: 1-11	Luke 5: 1-11
9.30am	Family Praise Team (no Baptism this month)	

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**If you have any information for the Church Notices please send to the Office email: [office@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk](mailto:office@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk) or place in the P pigeonhole by noon on Wednesday.**