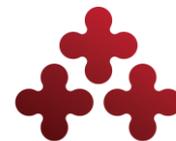


MiniNews

1st Sunday of Advent
Sunday 27th November 2022



ALL SAINTS

Today's Mass

Collect

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now and in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that, on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Setting:

Latona/Messe solennelle, Vierge

Anthem:

Let all mortal flesh keep silence, *arr Bairstow*

Hymns

32	O Come, o come Emmanuel
334	Awake, awake, fling off the night
31	Lo, he comes with clouds descending

Parish Notices

Advent

The Season of Advent begins today. The seasonal colour is purple and our music and liturgies change as we await the coming of Jesus both as a child and at the end of all things. Our Advent icons have returned with images from the Hebrew Scriptures, John the Baptist, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and Christ.

Farewell of Fr Ryan

Please stay after the service for refreshments as we say farewell to Fr Ryan, with tea and cake.

Advent Carols

Tonight at 7pm we have our Advent Carols. This is a beautiful service with carols and readings that draw us into the mystery of God's coming into our world. Everyone is welcome.

Bishop Nick arriving

From Monday, +Nick Holtam will be joining us, to lead the ministry team and provide support. He will also be joining regularly on Sunday mornings. For all pastoral and admin matters please contact Fr Lee, the wardens (on their new emails addresses!), or our office.

Queer Theology – Thursday 1st December

In a change to our planned programme, we are delighted to welcome Chrissie Chevasutt as the speaker

for our final lecture in the series. Chrissie is an Outreach Worker to the trans, intersex and non-binary community at St Columba's United Reformed Church in Oxford. Chrissie will share their perspectives to help the Church understand what it means to be trans in all its forms, to raise awareness of needs, issues and rights for trans and non-binary people so that the Church is better informed and can offer appropriate support. Look out for more details of a new series of lectures in the new year!

Community Carol Services

We are delighted to be hosting a number of carol services in the church in the run up to Christmas: NHS Sussex Partnership (Saturday 3rd), Brighton & Hove District Scouts (Monday 5th, 7pm); St Christopher's School (Wednesday 7th, 11am); Brighton & Hove School for Girls (Tuesday 13th), St Andrew's School (Wednesday 14th, 6pm).

Nine Lessons and Carols

Will be on Sunday 18th December at 7pm. Come along to this Christmas staple, featuring well-loved carols, beautiful choral music, and readings that proclaim the birth of Jesus.

Messy Christingle

Please join us at 3pm on Sunday 4th December for our Messy Christingle, where we'll be exploring the joy of Christ, the light of the world, coming into the world. This service is aimed at families, but all are welcome.

Christmas Services

We have two services on Christmas Eve: a children's crib service at 3pm and Midnight Mass at 11.30pm. Mass will be at 10am Christmas day. We look forward to celebrating Christmas with you!

For our Prayers

For those who are sick: Sylvia; Mary Ridd; Fleur Boxell; Robert Pendlebury; David James; June Elves; Trish Abela; Simon Hicks; Sue TB; Mike Miller; and Francesca. For those who have recently died, including Carol Thomas; and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time: Joyce Fairburn Youd; Enid Smith; Phillip Tyler; David Stuart Clark; Charles Tatton-Brown; Barbara Dilworth; Eric Pywell; Leonard Young; Angela Anderson; Georgina Somerset; Mary Fedak; and Guy Gargiulo.

Next Sunday's Readings: The Second Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 11.1-10; Psalm 72.1-7, 18-19; Romans 15.4.13;
Matthew 3.1-12.

Today's Readings

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths'. For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Isaiah 2.1-5

The reading from the letter to the Romans

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.

Romans 13.11-end

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

'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.

Matthew 24.36-44

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