

St Luke Jersey

27th November 2022

First Sunday of Advent



Today's Readings

Isaiah 2:1-5. The prophet has a vision in which all people will stream to the Temple of the Lord, and he will establish a kingdom where there will be no more war.

Matthew 24:37-44. This passage is all about readiness. The time of the Lord's coming is not known, so the disciples are to remain awake and ready to greet him at any moment. There is a great sense of urgency.

Please See The Hymn Booklet For The Hymns

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The Order of Mass

As the bell rings we sing the hymn, the procession enters and the Harvest gifts are brought to the front of the church.

HARK the glad sound! The Saviour comes, The Saviour promised long! Let every heart prepare a throne, And every voice a song.

He comes the prisoners to release In Satan's bondage held; The gates of brass before him burst, The iron fetters yield.

He comes the broken heart to bind, The bleeding soul to cure, And with the treasures of his grace Enrich the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, Prince of peace, Thy welcome shall proclaim, And heaven's eternal arches ring With thy belovèd name.

The Greeting

ΑII

Priest In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you and also with you.

The Priest introduces today's celebration and invites us to confess our sins.

Penitential Rite remain standing
The following is sung

...Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

...Kyrie eleison.

All Kyrie eleison.

...Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

...Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

...Christe eleison.

All Christe eleison.

...Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

...Kyrie eleison.

All Kyrie eleison.

The Priest says a Prayer for Forgiveness

The Gloria

The following is sung

Gloria, (clap) gloria, (clap) in excelsis Deo. Gloria, (clap) gloria, (clap) in excelsis Deo.

Lord God, heavenly King, peace you bring to us; we worship you, we give you thanks, we sing our song of praise.

Jesus, Saviour of all, Lord God, Lamb of God you take away our sins, Oh Lord, have mercy on us all.

At the Father's right hand, Lord receive our prayer, for you alone are the Holy One, and you alone are Lord.

Glory Father and Son, Glory Holy Spirit, to you we raise our hands up high, we glorify your name.

Opening Prayer remain standing
The Priest says the prayer for the day

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

The Reading sit

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills.
All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say:

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.'

He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles.

Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war.

O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Reader This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation stano

The following is sung

Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel we turn to face the Gospel reader

Priest The Lord be with you All and also with you

Priest

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking

wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

After the Gospel

Priest This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily sit

The Affirmation of Faith *stand The following is sung*

All We believe, we believe, Lord, help our unbelief! (x2)

Prayer of Intercession Kneel or sit

The Priest introduces the intercession. After each petition will be said

Have mercy on us

All For the sake of the Earth and all this is in it.

Prayer for our Common Home

Turn us O God, from our desire to unroot ourselves from our home in the garden, and from our will to dominate your Earth. Call us again, to till and to keep. Gather us into the power of just relationships that heal and sustain. Enlighten us by your Spirit that renews the face of your Earth and safeguards a home for all. Amen.

We ask for Mary's never-ending intercession and say

All Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;

blessed art thou among women

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Priest concludes the intercession

The Peace stand

The Priest introduces the Peace, and then says

The Peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

The Preparations of the Gifts

The hymn is sung as gifts of bread and wine are prepared on the altar.

Awake, awake: fling off the night! For God has sent a glorious light; And we who live in Christ's new day Must works of darkness put away.

Let in the light; all sin expose To Christ, whose life no darkness knows. Before the cross expectant kneel; That Christ may judge, and judging heal.

Awake, and rise up from the dead, And Christ his light on you will shed. Its pow'r will wrong desires destroy, And your whole nature fill with joy.

Then sing for joy, and use each day; Give thanks for ev'rything alway. Lift up your hearts; with one accord Praise God through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

The Priest then invites us to join in the offering of the Eucharist

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that this our sacrifice may be

acceptable to God the almighty Father.

All May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and

glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church.

The Priest says the Prayer over the Gifts

The Eucharistic Prayer remain standing

Priest The Lord be with you All And also with you Priest Lift up your hearts

All We lift them to the Lord

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
All It is right to give him thanks and praise

At the end of the Preface, which we sing

Holy, holy, holy Lord,

God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

We may kneel or remain standing for the second part of the prayer.

After the words of Jesus in the Last Supper, the Priest says

Christ is the bread of life

The following is sung

When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your death, O Lord, until you come again.

The Prayer ends in praise of the Father and the following is sung - see 'Music for the Mass'

All Amen. Amen. (x2)

The Lord's Prayer

All Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done;

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation;

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

ΑII

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread and says

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in

one bread.

The following is sung - see 'Music for the Mass'

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word and I shall be healed.

The Priest leads those worshipping via the live stream in an Act of Spiritual Communion.

The Priest and people receive holy communion. Non-communicants are warmly invited to the altar for a blessing - please indicate this by bowing your head when you come to the communion rail.

During Communion, the choir will sing an anthem and we will all remain seated to sing the hymn.

Let all mortal flesh keep silence And with fear and trembling stand; Ponder nothing earthly-minded, For with blessing in his hand Christ our God to earth descendeth, Our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary, As of old on earth he stood, Lord of lords, in human vesture, In the body and the blood: He will give to all the faithful His own self for heavenly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven Spreads its vanguard on the way, As the Light of light descendeth From the realms of endless day, That the powers of hell may vanish As the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph; Cherubim with sleepless eye, Veil their faces to the Presence, As with ceaseless voice they cry, Alleluya, Alleluya, Alleluya, Lord most high!

Prayer after Communion stand

Blessing and Dismissal stand

Priest The Lord be with you and also with you.

Priest ...and the blessing of God almighty, ★ the Father, the Son, and the

Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Priest Go in the peace of Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

The hymn is sung as the Priest and servers depart.

From Heaven, You came helpless babe

Entered our world, your glory veiled

Not to be served but to serve

And give Your life that we might live

This is our God, The Servant King

He calls us now to follow Him

To bring our lives as a daily offering

Of worship to The Servant King

There in the garden of tears

My heavy load he chose to bear

His heart with sorrow was torn

"Yet not My will but Yours", He said *This is our God, ...*

Come see His hands and His feet

The scars that speak of sacrifice

Hands that flung stars into space

To cruel nails surrendered *This is our God, ...*

So let us learn how to serve

And in our lives enthrone Him Each other's needs to prefer For it is Christ we're serving *This is our God, ...*

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Notices for the Week

- 1. 'Prelude' update: it seems we've made about £1400 so far! A great result indeed. And there are still a few squares on the £100 note competition let's see if we can fill them up today!
- 2. The Advent Carol Service is this afternoon at 1600. Beautiful music and readings guaranteed! Make sure you're there!
- 3. Fr Nick will be away from Tuesday till Saturday this week, so the only Mass this week will be tomorrow, **Monday**, at 1000.
- 4. As Advent progresses, so it will continue to be filled with delight on the musical front! On Sunday, 4 Dec, we've got Bach's 'Wachet auf', the week after, 11 Dec, 'Come and sing (or listen) Messiah' and the week after that, 18 Dec, the Christmas Carol Service. So there's lots to look forward to. See the separate leaflet for full details.
- 5. Walsingham 2023. The Parish Pilgrimage will be from 6-9 October. Booking is open now and places are filling up fast. See Fr Nick soon to get your name down, or for more information about this wonderful pilgrimage to a wonderful place.



Christmas Gifts! As in previous years, we are appealing for Christmas gifts for the residents of the Women's Refuge. However, unlike in previous years, we've been given some guidance about what they would like to receive. Ideally, they would like gift vouchers for local shops – food, clothing and toy shops. They make the very valid point that such gifts empower residents and enable them to buy what they would like or need for Christmas. So if you would like to purchase one or more vouchers (of any value), then we'll have a collection point at the back of church for the next two Sundays. Alternatively, they may be dropped into the office from 0900-1300 Mon-Fri.

And more Christmas Gifts! For the first time, we're also going to try to collect some gifts for the children of Eden Children's Home. There's a special Christmas tree at the back of church: if you want to participate in this, please take a tag, which gives details of the age and gender of the child concerned, buy a present, wrap it, and bring it back to church by 11 Dec. Please bring them back by 11 Dec.

It goes without saying that your generosity will be gratefully received. Thank you.

Of your charity, please pray for

Those who are sick

Mark, George, Annette, Susan, Reg, Zach, Paul, Richard, Ann, David, Ian, Maureen, Roderick, Oisin, Christine, Michael, Ffion, Irene, Rita, Marian

The recently departed

Lynda Lawlor

Anniversaries of death this week

27 John Jennings, 28 William Wilson, 29 Margaret Le Monnier, Frank Sheppard, 30 Annie Creer, John Donofield

Music - Advent Carol Service

Today at 16:00 Music by the choir of St Luke's:

Victoria, Ave Maria Campion, Never weather beaten sail Carter, Mary's Magnificat, Mendelssohn, How lovely are the messengers Wood, O thou the central orb.



Admission free and all are welcome.

Pray for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine.
We pray for peace and laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

We make this prayer in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen

Service Times this Week

SUNDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

Advent 1

0830 Mass

1000 Family Mass *

1600 Advent Carol Service

MONDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

0930 Morning Prayer

1000 Mass *

1730 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 29TH November

No Services

WEDNESDAY 30TH NOVEMBER

No Services

THURSDAY 1ST DECEMBER

No Services

SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER

No Services

SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER

Advent 2

0830 Mass

1000 Parish Mass *

Services marked * will be live streamed

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