

The Parish of St. Andrew, Kingsbury

SUNG MASS on the FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, 1st December 2024, 10.30am *Year C*

Welcome to Mass today!

Before the Mass: SPEAK TO GOD

During the Mass: LET GOD SPEAK TO YOU

After the Mass: SPEAK TO ONE ANOTHER

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR MOBILE PHONES

A bell is rung and all **STAND** as the Priest approaches the altar with the ministers and venerates it. The ENTRANCE HYMN is sung:

tune: Franconia (NEH.341)

1.

**The advent of our God
With eager prayers we greet,
And singing haste upon the road
His glorious gift we meet.**

2.

**The everlasting Son
Scorns not the Virgin's womb;
That we from bondage may be won
He bears a bondsman's doom.**

3.

**Daughter of Sion, rise
To meet thy lowly King;
Let not thy stubborn heart despise
The peace he comes to bring.**

4.

**On clouds of dazzling light,
As Judge he comes again,
His scattered people to unite,
With him in heaven to reign.**

5.

**Let evil flee away,
Ere that great hour shall dawn,
Let this old Adam day by day
The new Man all put on.**

6.

**Praise to the incarnate Son,
Who comes to set us free,
With Father and with Spirit One,
To all eternity.**

words: C. Coffin (1676-1749) (NEH 14)

The Introductory Rites

Sign of the Cross

All make the Sign of the Cross as the Priest says:

**✠ In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Greeting

**The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.**

The priest introduces the Mass and then invites the people to call to mind their sins:

**I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done
and in what I have failed to do,**

And, striking their breast, they say:

**through my fault,
through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;**

**therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

The absolution is given by the Priest:

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

Amen.

Then is sung:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

The Collect of the Day

The Priest sings:

Let us pray.

A short silence is kept.

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. **Amen.**

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

Jeremiah 33:14-16

'I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David.'

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is

the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 25(24):4-5b. 8-9,10,14

The choir sings the response and then all repeat:

R/. To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

O LORD, make me know your ways.

Teach me your paths.

Guide me in your truth, and teach me;

for you are the God of my salvation. **R/.**

Good and upright is the Lord;

therefore he shows the way to sinners.

He guides the humble in right judgement;

to the humble he teaches his way. **R/.**

All the LORD's paths

are mercy and faithfulness,

for those who keep

his covenant and commands.

The LORD's secret is for those who fear him;

to them he reveals his covenant. **R/.**

Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2

'May the Lord establish your hearts for the coming of Christ.'

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

Brothers and sisters: May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Finally, then, brothers and sisters, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God, just as you are doing, that you do so more and more.

For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

STAND

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia 5 - Psalm 85 (84):8

The Choir sings:

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Show us, O Lord, your mercy,
and grant us your salvation.

Alleluia!

Turn to face the priest as he sings:

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

✠ A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Gospel

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

'Your redemption is drawing near.'

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.

'But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape

all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Then is sung:

Alleluia!

The Homily

After the introduction, SIT.

At the end of the homily a brief silence is kept for recollection.

The Profession of Faith

The Nicene ("Niceno-Constantinopolitan") Creed

STAND

**I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,**

At the words that follow, all bow their head:

**and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic
and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism
for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward
to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayer of the Faithful

The Priest introduces the prayers.

The response to the prayers is:

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

The following may be included:

✠ Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord,
**And let light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace and rise in glory.**

When bidden, the people sing: **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 the hour
of our death. Amen.**

*The Priest then concludes the Prayers and all
respond:* **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Offertory

*REMAIN STANDING as the OFFERTORY HYMN is
sung, during which the gifts of bread and wine are
presented to the Priest.*

*A cash collection is taken.
Alternatively, a donation can be
made via the electronic Giving
Station near the main door or
by scanning this QR code with
your smartphone's camera.*



tune: Evelyns (NEH 338)

1.

**At the name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now:
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.**

2.

**At his voice creation
Sprang at once to sight,
All the angel faces,
All the hosts of light,
Thrones and dominations,
Stars upon their way,
All the heavenly orders,
In their great array.**

3.

**Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners
Unto whom he came,
Faithfully he bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious,
When from death he passed:**

4.

**Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,**

**Through all ranks of creatures,
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast;
Filled it with the glory
of that perfect rest:**

5.

**In your hearts enthrone him;
There let him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true:
He is God the Saviour,
He is Christ the Lord,
Ever to be worshipped,
Trusted, and adored.**

words: Caroline M. Noel 1817-77

REMAIN STANDING as the Priest turns to say:

Pray, my brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Prayer over the Offerings

The Priest sings:

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make, gathered from among your gifts to us, and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below gain for us the prize of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Priest sings:

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just.

The Priest continues with the Preface, praising God, and then all sing:

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
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.**

The Priest continues the Eucharistic Prayer.

*At the elevation of the Host and the Chalice, the people acclaim: **My Lord and my God.***

After the words of Consecration, the Priest sings:

The mystery of faith:
**We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.**

*At the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer the people sing: **Amen.***

The Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer

The Priest sings:

At the Saviour's command
and formed by divine teaching,
we dare to pray:

**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.**

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Priest says:

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

Please share the peace by simply turning to your neighbours and waving a greeting.

Breaking of the Bread

Then is sung:

Lamb of God, **you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, **you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, **you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

The Priest receives communion and then says:

Communion Antiphon

Psalm 84:13

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

A bell is rung and the people receive communion.

Communion will be offered kneeling at the Altar rail.

Inform the Priest if you require a gluten free wafer.

The Chalice is available for those who wish to receive from it.

If you are not making your communion please come to the Priest, carrying this service booklet, and bow your head for a blessing.

Please return to your seats through the left or right chapels.

During Communion, the Choir sings an anthem and then the COMMUNION HYMN is sung:

tune: Helmsley (NEH 9)

1.

**Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia! (three times)
God appears, on earth to reign.**

2.

**Every eye shall how behold him
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at naught and sold him,
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,
Deeply wailing (three times)
Shall the true Messiah see.**

3.

**Those dear tokens of his Passion
Still his dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation
To his ransomed worshippers:
With what rapture (three times)
Gaze we on those glorious scars!**

4.

**Yea, Amen, let all adore thee,
High on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory,
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly! (three times)
Alleluia! Come, Lord, come!**

words: C. Wesley 1707-88

Silence is then kept for reflection.

Prayer after Communion

The Priest sings:

Let us pray.

STAND

May these mysteries, O Lord, in which we have participated profit us, we pray, for even now, as we walk amid passing things, you teach us by them to love the things of heaven and hold fast to what endures. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Concluding Rites

REMAIN STANDING as the Advent Wreath is blessed. Then is sung:

Advent Wreath Hymn
tune: Angel Voices (NEH 336)

**Advent candles tell their story
as we watch and pray,
longing for the Day of Glory,
'Come, Lord, soon,' we say.
Pain and sorrow, tears and sadness,
changed for gladness on that Day.**

*The first candle is lit and this response is used:
Jesus is the light of the world.*

A light no darkness can ever put out.

Heavenly Father, as we begin this season of Advent, give light to our eyes and peace to our hearts. May the Lord find us watching and waiting in joy when He comes. We pray in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

SIT for the notices.

Blessing

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

May the almighty and merciful God, by whose grace you have placed your faith in the First Coming of his Only Begotten Son and yearn for his coming again sanctify you by the radiance of Christ's Advent and enrich you with his blessing. **Amen.**

As you run the race of this present life, may he make you firm in faith, joyful in hope and active in charity. **Amen.**

So that, rejoicing now with devotion at the Redeemer's coming in the flesh, you may be endowed with the rich reward of eternal life when he comes again in majesty. **Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Dismissal

Go forth, the Mass is ended.
Thanks be to God.

*Alma Redemptoris Mater
tune: Yorkshire (NEH 24)*

**Mother of Christ,
hear thou thy people's cry
Star of the deep
and Portal of the sky!**

**Mother of Him who thee
from nothing made.
Sinking we strive
and call to thee for aid:
O, by that joy
which Gabriel brought to thee,
Thou Virgin first and last,
let us thy mercy see.**

The Angel of the Lord
brought tidings unto Mary
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Let us pray: Pour forth we beseech Thee, O Lord, thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, thy Son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may, by his Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

*The FINAL HYMN is sung:
tune: Cross of Jesus (NEH 3)*

1.

**Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us;
Let us find our rest in thee.**

2.

**Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.**

3.

**Born thy people to deliver;
Born a child and yet a King;
Born to reign in us for ever;
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.**

4.

**By thy own eternal Spirit,
Rule in all our hearts alone:
By thy all-sufficient merit,
Raise us to thy glorious throne.**

words: Charles Wesley 1707-88

NOTICES THIS WEEK:

ST. ANDREW'S SATURDAY

Thank you to all who supported our Patronal Festival and Party yesterday – a great end to the Church's year, a great celebration of our Patron and a great end to our 90th anniversary celebrations!

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Tuesday's trip to Winchester will leave St. Andrew's at 10am. A few spare seats available.

OGILVY COURT

Holy Communion on Wednesday at 11am – all welcome!

THE NEW LECTIONARY

From today, churches in England, Wales and Scotland are changing Bible translations used in services from the Jerusalem Bible to the English Standard Version (ESV). As well as noting a new translation the response has changed at the end; the reader now required to say: 'THE word of the Lord'.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH

St. Luke's Hospice, located in Kenton, is the local hospice for people of Harrow and Brent. The hospice provides patients and families with compassionate end-of-life care. The focus is on quality of care and value of life. In some cases care is provided in the patients own home.

www.stlukes-hospice.org

COMMUNION REMINDER

The Sidespeople no longer indicate when rows of people should come up for Communion; PLEASE take the initiative.

And remember not to stand in the gaps at either end of the Communion rails BUT DO fill in the centre portion, where there is no rail.

SUNDAY SIDESPEOPLE

Please note that following the recent changes:

- The Churchwarden is responsible for turning on the lights for service (Pastoral Assistant covers in her absence)
- The Churchwarden is responsible for counting attendance at service

Sidespeople continue to be responsible for:

- Welcoming people
- Taking the collection
- Communion direction at 'the gate'
- Blowing out candles and collecting candle money after Mass

Christmas Concert

18TH OF DECEMBER 2024
AT 6 PM

An Unforgettable and Joyous Evening with Well known and not so Well known Festive Songs from fantastic Performers from the Parish and truly special Guest Performers.

DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 PM	ENTRY PRICE £10 (AGE RESTRICTION 10 YEARS OLD)	TICKET PRICE INCLUDES MULLED WINE AND MINCE PIE
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St Mary's Willesden Christmas Bazaar

Saturday 7th December
12.30 to 4 pm

St Mary's Parish Centre
Neasden Lane NW10 2TS

☆☆ Stalls, including... ☆☆☆

- ☆☆ Refreshments ☆
- ☆☆ Tombola ☆
- ☆☆ Gifts and Cards ☆
- ☆☆ Bric a Brac ☆
- ☆☆ Home Baking ☆

and

☆☆ Christmas Raffle ☆☆☆

Lovely Christmassy Prizes!




Please stay for refreshments after Mass today

Do leave a 50p donation IF YOU ARE ABLE

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The Parish Church of St Andrew's, Kingsbury

*You are warmly invited to
celebrate Christmas with us ...*

Sunday, 22nd December

4.30pm Carol Service

followed by seasonal refreshments

Tuesday, 24th December

**11pm First Mass
of Christmas**

Wednesday, 25th December

**THE NATIVITY
OF THE LORD**

9.45 am Morning Prayer

**10.30am Sung Mass
on Christmas Day**

Thursday, 26th December

Feast of St Stephen, first martyr

12 noon Mass

Friday, 27th December

Feast of St John, apostle & evangelist

12 noon Mass

followed by 'Open Vicarage' until 3pm

Saturday, 28th December

Feast of the Holy Innocents

10am Mass

Sunday, 29th December

**The Holy Family
of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.30am Sung Mass

followed by refreshments in Church

Wednesday, 1st January 2025

Mary the Mother of God

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.30 am Sung Mass

Thursday, 2nd January

Ninth Day of Christmas

10am Mass

Sunday, 5th January

**The Epiphany
of the Lord**

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.30am Sung Mass

followed by refreshments

FOR OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:



We pray for: Sarah, Bishop of London, Jonathan, Bishop of Fulham, Catherine, Archdeacon of Northolt, and Sophie, Area Dean of Brent and James, Assistant Area Dean

For the sick and have asked for our prayers, amongst them: Henrietta Arah, Everton Barton, Ken Black, Wendy Barrett, Princess Cole, Susan Currie, Sylvia Cox, Kian Donovan, Eleanor Dove

For those who have asked for our continued prayers, amongst them: Ibrahim Amankwah, Cherrittah Beata, Delphine Benjamin, Simon Bento, Pat & Cedric Best, Sandra and Rihana Boateng, Angela Buncombe, Shelika Campbell, Auldeen Charles, Tariq Disu, Robinson Egbon, Wendy Richards

Pray for the recently departed: Gloria Graham

For those whose anniversary of death occurs this week:

1st: Carmen Stephenson (2013), Pamela Gittings (2014), Sarah Eynstone *priest* (2016) | **2nd:** Clara Charlton (1954), Edward Boateng (1993), Bob Pettet (1998), Elizabeth Owusu (2022) | **3rd:** Joy Trench (2002), Sandra Ong (2022) | **5th:** Dorothy Newhouse (2006), Nelson Mandela (2013) | **7th:** Alfred Fean, Joseph Allen (1959), Dorothy Bridges (1980), George Betteridge (1996), Freda Baron (2013), Osbourne Watson (2020), Brenda Elliott (2022)

Prayers for the week:

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.

To you, O God most high, we lift our hearts,
voicing our praise, confessing our sins and
seeking your pardon. To you we come for
grace, to you we render our thanks and to
you we ascribe all honour and glory, now and
forever. Amen. *Isaac Watts (1674-1748)*

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.
cf. Psalm 24:1-3

EVENTS & SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Monday, 2nd December

Gospel: Matthew 8:5-11
Pray for: victims of crime
Residents of: Arlington Crescent,
Anton Place, Aylesbury Street

Tuesday, 3rd December

St Francis Xavier, priest

8.30am Morning Prayer

10am Winchester Cathedral Market Trip

Gospel: Luke 10:21-24
Pray for: our parish trip
Residents of: Barnhill Road,
Birchen Close, Birchen Grove

Wednesday, 4th December

8.30am Morning Prayer

11am Holy Communion at Ogilvy Court

Gospel: Matthew 15:29-37
Pray for: the staff and residents of Ogilvy Court
Residents of: Blackbird Hill,
Bowater Road, Braemar Avenue

Thursday, 5th December

8.30am Morning Prayer

9.30am Rosary | 10am Mass

Gospel: Matthew 7:21,24-27
Pray for: Brent Council & our Eard Councillors
Residents of: Bruno Place,
Buddings Circle, Cambridge Close

Friday, 6th December

St Nicholas, bishop

8.30am Morning Prayer

Church Cleaning
& Flower arranging

Gospel: Matthew 9:27-31
Pray for: those with addictions
Residents of: Chalkhill Road,
Chalklands, Chesham Street

Saturday, 7th December

9.30am Fr Jason is saying the Mass
at St. Mary's, Willesden – all welcome

Gospel: Matthew 9:27-31
Pray for: our neighbouring parishes
Residents of: Church Drive,
Church Lane, Claygate Court

Sunday, 8th December

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9.45am Morning Prayer

10.30am Sung Mass

Gospel: Luke 3:1-6
Pray for: parish and people
Residents of: Coombe Road,
Cherrylands Close, Daisy Close,
Deanscroft Avenue