

INTERCESSIONS FOR THIS WEEK

THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH: *we pray for those who teach and guard the faith in this diocese:*

- ✠ John, our Bishop
- ✠ Martin of Dudley
- ✠ Justin of Canterbury

for our sisters and brothers in other places...

For the mission agencies and their ministry throughout the Anglican Communion, including the Mothers' Union around the world.

The Diocese of Moray, Ross and Caithness (SEC), with their Bishop, ✠ Mark Strange (*Primus of the SEC*)

The Diocese of Durham (York), with their Bishop, ✠ Paul Butler

The Diocese of Oslo (Norway), with their Bishop, ✠ Kari Veiteberg

SOCIETY AND THE WORLD: *we pray for...*

- Elizabeth our Queen and her government
- All involved in our very final Brexit negotiations
- The leaders of all nations, for wisdom and kindness
- The healing of all affected by the COVID-19 virus, and all involved with seeking its cure
- Repentance of our racism
- All affected by war and tyranny
- Planet Earth, and the cause of Justice, Peace, and the Integrity of Creation

OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITIES: *we pray for...*

- Our parishioners, especially those living in Brompton Drive, Broomhill Close, Burghley Walk, Burns Close, Buttermere Close, and Cameo Drive
- The youngest people in our parish, for their welfare and safety

THOSE IN NEED KNOWN TO US:

for the healing and comforting of...

Winnie Tombs	Trevor & Jan Morris
Joyce Matthews	Rose Hill
John Williams	Pat Jones
Jean Geeves	Pat Green
Jason	Ingrid Fabisiak
James Stephens	Jacque Devlin

and those who (normally would) receive the Blessed Sacrament at home

THOSE WHOSE EARTHLY LIFE IS COMPLETE:

for the repose of the soul of the recently departed; our own loved ones whom we see no longer; former members of this parish church; and those in our year's mind:

20 Helen Baker (2010)	Joan Woodall (2013)
Ayton Cox (2017)	Muriel Fisher (2019)
21 Mary Gordon (2001)	Luke Bailey-Jones (2009)
23 Kathleen Buck (2001)	Peter Deeley (2002)
Dorothy Chilton (2009)	Vera Lewis (2011)
Vicky Waugh (2014)	
25 Anne Robinson (2004)	James Grainger (2017)
Garry Horton (2019)	
26 Alan Homer (2019)	

THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS:

joining our prayers with those of...

The Blessed Virgin Mary, S Joseph her Spouse, and all the Holy Apostles, Martyrs, and Saints...

THE PARISH OF AMBLECOTE HOLY TRINITY
20 December 2020

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



COLLECT

God our redeemer,
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of your Son:
grant that, as she looked
for his coming as our saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he comes again as our judge;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

or

Eternal God,
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,
so we wait for his coming in glory;
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age
to see, with her, our great salvation
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

SERVICES TODAY

1000	PARISH MASS	C Z F
1800	Meditative Service for Advent	C Z

READINGS FOR THE MASS

First Reading	2 Samuel 7.1-11,16
Canticle	Magnificat
Second Reading	Romans 16.25-end
The Holy Gospel	Luke 1.26-38

HYMNS FOR THE MASS *Sung by the Cantors!*

Int	The Advent of our God
Grad	Hark the glad sound
Off	Long ago, prophets knew
PCom	Bread of heaven on thee we feed
Rec	Lo! He comes with clouds descending

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

My song shall proclaim your steadfast love, O Lord.

READINGS FOR VESPERS : : SUNDAY at 6

Ps 113 / Zechariah 2.10-end / Luke 1.39-55

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, AMBLECOTE

RCL – Yr B : Advent 4 / DEL – Yr 1 : 4th wk of Advent

SERVICES THIS SUNDAY – 20 December 2020

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – O Clavis (Key of) David!

1000 **PARISH MASS** C Z F
1800 Meditative Service for Advent C Z

THIS WEEK:

MON **O Oriens! (O Morning Star!)**

21 Vicar's Day Off

TUE **O Rex Gentium! (O King of the Peoples!)**

22 0900 Morning Prayer Z
1700 Evening Prayer Z

WED **O Emmanuel!**

23 0900 Morning Prayer Z
1300 **OPEN CHURCH – till 5**
1730 Evening Prayer Z

THU **Eve and Vigil of Christmas**

24 0900 Morning Prayer Z
1100 **Said Mass** C Z F
1300 **OPEN CHURCH – till 5**
1800 Carols for Christmas C
With a version on YouTube
2330 **MIDNIGHT MASS AND FIRST
COMMUNION OF CHRISTMAS** C Z

THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY

25 0845 Morning Prayer C Z
0930 **SOLEMN MASS OF THE NATIVITY** C
1700 Evening Prayer Z

SAT **S STEPHEN – FIRST MARTYR**

26 0900 Morning Prayer Z
1100 Mass of S Stephen

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY – 27 December 2020

S JOHN – APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

1000 **PARISH MASS** C Z F
1800 Sung Vespers Z

MASS READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

First Reading Exodus 33.7-11a
Responsorial Psalm 117
Second Reading 1 John 1
The Holy Gospel John 21.19b-end

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NOTICE BOARD

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS

Dec 23 1 to 5pm Church open for prayers at the Crib
Chr Eve 1 to 5pm Church open for prayers at the Crib
6.00pm Carols for Christmas
11.30pm Midnight Mass
CHRISTMAS – 9.30am Solemn Mass of the Nativity

MIDNIGHT MASS

In order to remain compliant with the rules in force for the churches, we remain limited to 32 or so at the midnight service. This will be a ticketed event, so if you want to be at the service, please ask for a ticket: today from the churchwarden, during the week from the Vicar.

Choose to attend either Midnight Mass or the Christmas morning Mass, but NOT both. Thank you.

FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS

We still want to florally decorate the church for Christmas, especially to make our visitors on Wednesday and Thursday feel welcome. If you would like to donate towards these, please see Sheila Hill.

OPEN CHURCH : : Wed 24th Christmas Eve 1pm- 5pm

We need some willing volunteers to staff the open church sessions so that we can warmly welcome those who wish to pray at the crib and light a Christmas Candle. Please sign up and make this part of your preparation for the Feast of the Nativity. Thank you.

THE STOURBRIDGE FOODBANK

The foodbank is really struggling at present with the demands upon it caused by prevailing events. Please be as generous as you can. Monetary gifts may also be left for them (in an envelope please, marked Foodbank). **THANK YOU.**

LOCAL WOMEN'S REFUGE

The Refuge is similarly in great need of toiletries and similar things. If you can help with these, the box for them will also be out on Sundays.

ADVENT 4 – MARY

Jesus said,
'Anyone who does what my Father in heaven wants
is my brother or sister or mother.'
I am the servant of the Lord.
Let it be to me according to his word.

Jesus is the light of the world.
A light no darkness can ever put out.

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.

Mary's gift, beyond all telling,
was to give Christ room.
She gave God a human dwelling
in a mother's womb.
Who could guess the final story?
- cross and glory; empty tomb!
