

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Father, [in this holy night] your Son our Saviour was born in human flesh. Renew your Church as the Body of Christ.  
Holy God  
**hear our prayer.**

[In this holy night] there was no room for your Son in the inn. Protect with your love those who have no home and all who live in poverty.  
Holy God  
**hear our prayer.**

[In this holy night] Mary, in the pain of labour, brought your Son to birth. Hold in your hand [... and] all who are in pain or distress.  
Holy God  
**hear our prayer.**

[In this holy night] your Christ came as a light shining in the darkness. Bring comfort to [... and] all who suffer in the sadness of our world.  
Holy God  
**hear our prayer.**

[In this holy night] the angels sang, 'Peace to God's people on earth.' Strengthen those who work for peace and justice in [... and in] all the world.  
Holy God  
**hear our prayer.**

[In this holy night] shepherds in the field heard good tidings of joy. Give us grace to preach the gospel of Christ's redemption.  
Holy God  
**hear our prayer.**

[In this holy night] strangers found the Holy Family, and saw the baby lying in the manger. Bless our homes and all whom we love.  
Holy God  
**hear our prayer.**

[In this holy night] heaven is come down to earth, and earth is raised to heaven. Hold in your hand [... and] all those who have passed through death in the hope of your coming kingdom.  
Holy God  
**hear our prayer.**

[In this holy night] Christians the world over celebrate Christ's birth. Open our hearts that he may be born in us today.  
Holy God  
**hear our prayer.**

Father, [in this holy night] angels and shepherds worshipped at the manger throne. Receive the worship we offer in fellowship with Mary, Joseph and the saints through him who is your Word made flesh, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**



## THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God,  
you have given us your only-begotten Son  
to take our nature upon him  
and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin:  
grant that we, who have been born again  
and made your children by adoption and grace,  
may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

or

Lord Jesus Christ,  
your birth at Bethlehem  
draws us to kneel in wonder  
at heaven touching earth:  
accept our heartfelt praise  
as we worship you,  
our Saviour and our eternal God.

### SERVICES TODAY

8.00am **Said Mass of the Nativity**  
10.00am **FAMILY MASS OF THE NATIVITY**

### READINGS FOR THE MASS

	<b>Midnight (III)</b>	<b>Morning (I)</b>
First Reading	Isaiah 52.5-7	Isaiah 9.2-7
Responsorial Psalm	98	96
Second Reading	Romans 1.1-7	Titus 2.11-14
The Holy Gospel	John 1.1-14	Luke 2.1-20

### HYMNS FOR THE SERVICES

*are on the hymn boards*

### PSALM RESPONSE

*Midnight*

**All the ends of the earth  
have seen the salvation of our God.**

*Morning*

**O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**



# HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, AMBLECOTE

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**SERVICES THIS SUNDAY – 25 December 2022**

**THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST – Christmas Day**

8.00am Said Mass of the Nativity

10.00am **FAMILY MASS OF THE NATIVITY**

## **THIS WEEK:**

**S STEPHEN'S DAY** Deacon and First Martyr

26 1100 Said Mass of S Stephen

**TUE** **S John – Apostle and Evangelist**  
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**WED** **The Holy Innocents**  
28 No Mass today

**THU** **S Thomas Becket – Archbishop, Martyr, 1170**  
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**FRI** **Friday after Christmas**  
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**SAT** **John Wyclif – Reformer, 1384**  
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**SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY – 1 January 2023**

**THE NAMING AND CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS**

8.00am Said Mass (Traditional Language)

10.00am **FAMILY MASS OF THE NAMING**

## **MASS READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

First Reading Numbers 6.22-end

Responsorial Psalm 8

Second Reading Galatians 4.4-7

The Holy Gospel Luke 2.15-21

## **CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE VICAR**

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## **INFORMATION ABOUT THE CHURCH**

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# NOTICE BOARD

**THE CHURCH BUILDING IS OPEN FOR PRAYER AND  
QUIET BETWEEN 9am AND 5.30pm EVERY DAY**

## **THANK YOU**

Many thanks for the cards and gifts you have given me to mark the joy of the season. All very much appreciated.

## **MEMORIAL TREE**

You will notice that there is a tree near the candle stand. You are invited to write the name of a loved one who you wish to remember over Christmas and put it on a branch. These names will be remembered at Mass.

## **THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY**

The Christingle Service raised £162.05, and the singing of Carols at Sainsbury's £148.66, a grand total of £310.71. Thank you all very much indeed if you helped towards this splendid figure.

## **OTHER CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

26 Dec 11.00am Mass of St Stephen

1 Jan **NEW YEAR'S DAY 2023**

8.00am Said Mass of the Naming

10.00am **SUNG MASS OF THE NAMING**

2 Jan No 11am Service

## **WARM PLACES**

Our Church building will be heated on Sundays for our services, so if you need a warm place to be during the colder days, please do feel able to come inside. There will be tea and coffee with some milk in the kitchenette, with a kettle. Do help yourself.

## **COATS, HATS, SCARVES AND GLOVES**

We are making a collection of clean and useable coats, hats, scarves and gloves. Please do bring some along with you any Sunday morning, and hand to a churchwarden.

**IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF ANY OF THESE PLEASE DO  
TAKE THEM!**

## **THE FOOD BANK and WOMEN'S REFUGE**

The boxes are out at the back for donations for the Food Bank and the Women's Refuge. Please bring your donations any week. Thank you.

## **FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS**

Many thanks to all those who have helped clean and prepare the church for our Christmas celebrations.