

## INTERCESSIONS FOR THIS WEEK

THE PARISH OF AMBLECOTE HOLY TRINITY  
12 December 2021

**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...**

The Church of the Province of Melanesia,  
with their Archbishop, ✠ Leonard Dawea  
The Diocese of Chester (York),  
with their Bishop, ✠ Mark Tanner  
The Diocese of Kuopio (Finland),  
with their Bishop, ✠ Jari Jolkkonen

**for our fellow Christians in Stourbridge...**

Especially those who coordinate the support for  
Christian Aid in our town,  
remembering Marion Longstaff

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

- Elizabeth our Queen  
and those who hold authority in her name
- Compassionate and honest governance
- The leaders of all nations; for wisdom and kindness
- The physical and mental healing of all affected by  
the COVID-19 virus
- Those whose research helps counter the new  
variants
- Greater care of the earth and her resources

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

- Our parishioners, especially those living in  
Suffolk Drive, Sunderland Drive, Tamar Rise,  
The Holloway, The Houx, and Thirlmere Walk
- Those without shelter, warmth or food in this cold  
and wet weather  
**And that God will bless all that is good  
in our lives and relationships**

**THOSE IN NEED KNOWN TO US:**

**for the healing and comforting of...**

Christine Corker	Susan Lyall
Sue Tucker	Catherine Gould
Jill Nicholls	Hilary Atkins
Elizabeth Wyatt	Charlie Secker
Eileen Potter	Winnie Tombs
Joyce Matthews	Fr Paul Tongue
Rose Hill	Pat Jones
Jacque Devlin	Jason, Simon
Ray Shakespeare	Sally
Adam Cartwright	

**THOSE WHOSE EARTHLY LIFE IS COMPLETE:**

**the recently departed:**

Susan Taylor (1 Dec)

**those in our year's mind;**

12 Mabel Hadley (2009)	
13 Bob Poole (1992)	
16 Richard Easthope (1978)	Judith Jackson (2016)
Michael Bristow (2017)	
17 Harold Quinton (2005)	
18 Joyce Hingley (2007)	Norman Ralph (2008)
Derrie Clarke, sr (2014)	Shaun Jones (2017)
Lorna Tandy (2018)	Margaret Howell (2019)

**THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS:**

**joining our prayers with those of...**

The Blessed Virgin Mary,  
S Lucy, S John of the Cross,  
and all God's Servants and Saints...



## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O Lord Jesus Christ,  
who at your first coming sent your messenger  
to prepare your way before you:  
grant that the ministers and stewards  
of your mysteries  
may likewise so prepare and make ready your way  
by turning the hearts of the disobedient  
to the wisdom of the just,  
that at your second coming to judge the world  
we may be found an acceptable people in your sight;  
for you are alive and reign with the Father  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

or

God for whom we watch and wait,  
you sent John the Baptist  
to prepare the way of your Son:  
give us courage to speak the truth,  
to hunger for justice,  
and to suffer for the cause of right,  
with Jesus Christ our Lord.

**ADVENT 3 – JOHN THE BAPTIST**

Jesus said, 'No one more important  
than John the Baptist has ever been born;  
yet the least in the kingdom of heaven  
is greater than he.'

**Amen. Come soon, Lord Jesus!**

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.

John the Baptist, by his preaching  
and by water poured,  
brought to those who heard his teaching  
news of hope restored:  
'Keep your vision strong and steady,  
and be ready for the Lord.'

**READINGS FOR THE MASS**

First Reading	Zephaniah 3.14-end
Responsorial Psalm	146.4-end
Second Reading	Philippians 4.4-7
The Gospel	Luke 3.7-18

**HYMNS FOR THE MASS**

**SOP**

Int	36	On Jordan's Bank
Grad	285	Blest are the pure in heart
Off	346	Take my life and let it be
PComm	330	I the Lord of sea and sky
Rec	168	There's a Spirit in the air

**PSALM RESPONSE:**

**I will praise the Lord, I will praise the Lord,  
as long as I live.**

# HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, AMBLECOTE

RCL – Yr C : Advent 3 / DEL – Yr 2 : 3rd wk of Advent

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## SERVICES THIS SUNDAY – 12 December 2021

### THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 0800 **Said Mass** (traditional language)  
1000 **PARISH MASS**  
1630 Christingle Service

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### THIS WEEK:

**MON** S Lucy – Martyr, 306  
13 Vicar's Day Off

**TUE** S John of the Cross – Poet, teacher of the faith, 1591  
14 0900 Morning Prayer  
1700 Evening Prayer  
1800 Carol Singing at Sainsbury's

**WED** Advent  
15 0900 Morning Prayer  
0930 **Said Mass**  
1700 Evening Prayer

**THU** Advent  
16 0900 Morning Prayer  
1100 **Said Mass**  
1400 Mothers' Union  
1630 Evening Prayer  
1800 Scout Group meeting

**FRI** **O Sapientia!**  
17 0900 Morning Prayer  
1700 Evening Prayer

**SAT** **O Adonai!**  
18 0900 Morning Prayer  
Evening Prayer *said privately*

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## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY – 19 December 2021

### THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – O Radix Jesse!

- 0800 **Said Mass** (traditional language)  
1000 **PARISH MASS**  
1800 Taizé Service for Advent

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### MASS READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

First Reading	Micah 5.2-5a
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 80.1-8
Second Reading	Hebrews 10.5-10
The Gospel	Luke 1.39-55

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# NOTICE BOARD

## WORSHIP IN CHURCH

The following rules **STILL** apply, as agreed by the PCC:

- **Masks will be worn – THEY ARE NOW MANDATORY**
- We will sing hymns with our masks on
- Anti-bac to be used
  - on entry and exit
  - prior to walking up for communion
  - after consuming the Sacrament
- A card will be placed by you on the seat that you have used prior to your leaving
- Post-service refreshments may be served while maintaining appropriate social distancing.

**ALL the above are particularly important as the infection rate is increasing rapidly day by day, and we now have variant omicron. Please get your covid booster jab!**

## CHRISTINGLE

**TODAY (Sunday 12 December) at 4.30pm**, is our annual Christingle service. Please do come and support us. All donations will benefit the Children's Society.

## CAROLS AT SAINSBURY'S

**On Tuesday 14 December at 6.00pm** for an hour or so we will be singing Carols at Sainsbury's in Withymoor. Do please come along and add your voice to encourage more giving to help the Children's Society.

## THE LONGEST NIGHT

This a Service of comfort and hope in a time of loss, loneliness and worry, on **Tuesday 21 December at 6pm**. Please come along and be a support for those whom the message and meaning of Christmas does not bring consolation.

## SERVICES ON CHRISTMAS EVE

There will be no Candlelit Carols this Christmas Eve, in order not to encourage the spread of the new variants of Coronavirus. However, there will be a service of Congregational Carols and the blessing of the Crib at 6.30pm. This, however, is subject to advice the Sunday before.

## DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Please can you help us with a donation towards the flowers for Christmas. The box will be on the table at the back of church. Many thanks.

## REPLENISH FOOD BANK and WOMEN'S REFUGE

On the first Sunday of each month we will be collecting for the food bank, and we are continuing to collect toiletries for the Refuge. Please place your gifts in the marked boxes at the back of church. Thank you.

## OPERATION SANTA

Thank you to everyone who contributed towards Operation Santa. As a result of which more children will be able to feel part of the Christmas festivities.

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