

## 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...**

The Falkland Islands

(extra-provincial to Canterbury)

with their Bishop, ✠ Timothy Thornton, Bp at Lambeth

The Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham (York),

with their Bishop, ✠ Paul Williams

The Diocese of Borg (Norway),

with their Bishop, ✠ Atle Sommerfeldt

**locally for the work of...**

Christian Aid,

and their local representative, Marion Longstaffe

**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

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

**THOSE WHOSE EARTHLY LIFE IS COMPLETE:**

**for the repose of the soul of the recently departed:**

Christine Hutton (18 Nov)

**our own loved ones whom we see no longer;**

**former members of this parish church;**

**and those in our year's mind:**

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

**THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS:**

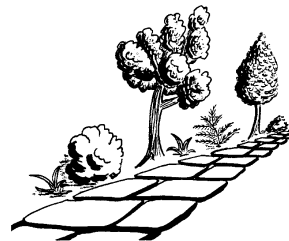
**joining our prayers with those of...**

The Blessèd Virgin Mary, S John of the Cross, and all the Apostles, Martyrs, and Saints...

THE PARISH OF AMBLECOTE HOLY TRINITY

13 December 2020

## THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### COLLECT

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.

### SERVICES TODAY

1000	PARISH MASS	C Z F
1630	Family @ 3.30 Nativity	Zoom
1800	Sung Vespers	C Z F

### READINGS FOR THE MASS

First Reading	Isaiah 61.1-4, 8-end
Responsorial Psalm	126
Second Reading	1 Thessalonians 5.16-24
The Holy Gospel	John 1.6-8, 19-28

### HYMNS FOR THE MASS Sung by the Cantors!

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

### RESPONSE TO THE PSALM

The Lord has done great things for us.  
and we rejoiced.

### READINGS FOR VESPERS : : SUNDAY at 6

Ps 68.1-19 / Malachi 3.1-4, ch4 / Philipians 4.4-7

# HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, AMBLECOTE

RCL – Yr B : Advent 3 / DEL – Yr 1 : 3rd wk of Advent

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### THIS WEEK:

**MON** 14 *S John of the Cross – Poet, Teacher of the faith, 1591*  
Vicar's Day Off

**TUE** Advent

15	0900	Morning Prayer	Z
	1700	Evening Prayer	Z

**WED** Advent

16	0900	Morning Prayer	Z
	1700	Evening Prayer	Z

**THU** 17 *Eglantine Jebb – Founder 'Save the Children', 1928*

**O Sapientia (O Wisdom)**

0900	Morning Prayer	Z
1100	Said Mass	C Z F
1300	Funeral: Christine Hutton	
1700	Evening Prayer	Z
1900	Study Group – Advent Lectio Divina	

**FRI** **O Adonai**

18	0900	Morning Prayer	Z
	1700	Evening Prayer	Z

**SAT** **O Radix Jesse (O Root of Jesse)**

19	0900	Morning Prayer	Z
	1100	Coffee Morning	Z
	1700	Evening Prayer (privately)	

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## SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY – 20 December 2020

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### O Clavis David (O Key of David)

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

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### MASS READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

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

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### INFORMATION ABOUT THE CHURCH

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Website www.holytrinityamblecote.org.uk

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# NOTICE BOARD

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## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS

Dec 13	4.30pm	Family @3.30 Nativity (Zoom) Mary Phillips has the details.
Dec 20	6.00pm	Meditative Service (Church and Zoom)
Dec 23	1 to 5pm	<b>Church open for prayers at the Crib</b>
Chr Eve	1 to 5pm	<b>Church open for prayers at the Crib</b>
	6.00pm	Carols for Christmas (Church) (Simultaneously on YouTube, a pre-recorded service)
	11.30pm	Midnight Mass (Church)
Christmas	– 9.30am	Mass for the Nativity (Church and Zoom)

### 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 Incarnation. Thank you.

### STUDY GROUP :: Thursdays at 7 by Zoom

Contact Fr Alan by phone or email for details of how to join in this or anything we do on Zoom. You would be most very welcome!

### OPERATION SANTA

Operation Santa were delighted and very thankful to receive our gifts. This Christmas they have an unbelievable number of children in great need. Thank you to everyone.

### 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.

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## 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.'

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