

INTERCESSIONS THIS WEEK

THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH: we pray for...

those who teach and guard the faith in this diocese:

- ✠ Hugh our Bishop
- ✠ Martin of Dudley
- ✠ Sarah, Archbishop-elect

our sisters and brothers in other places:

The Episcopal Anglican Church of Brazil –
Archbishop, ✠ Marinez Rosa Dos Santos Bassotto
Dio Southwell and Nottingham (York) – Bp, ✠ Paul Williams
Dio Borg (Norway) – Bp, ✠ Karl Alfsvåg

Our fellow Christians in Stourbridge:

The members of Wollaston Methodist Church
and their Minister, the Revd Michael Payne

SOCIETY AND THE WORLD: we pray for...

- The victims of genocide and war crime
- Peace throughout Palestine, Israel, Iran, Ukraine, Yemen, and Sudan
- Charles our King, and all who bear his authority, and for all world leaders
- All affected by fire, flood, famine, or earthquake
- Those seeking refuge in the UK
- For the thwarting of so-called 'Christian' nationalism

OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITIES: we pray for...

- Our parishioners, especially those living in Nuthatch Drive, Oakhill Drive, Old Hall Close, Orme Close, Palm Croft, and Patterdale Way
- The mentally ill and those who work alongside them to help them be part of society.

**and for God's blessing on all that is good
in our lives and relationships**

THOSE IN NEED KNOWN TO US:

We seek the healing and comforting of...

The Ray Family	Brenda Deeley
Eileen Potter	Jason Smith
Reuben Forrest	Lillian Pearson
Ernie and Joan Roberts	Michael Buck
Beki Vernon	Jean Latham
Catherine Harrison	John Easthope
Gilbert and Delia Jones	

**For all the elderly, frail and vulnerable, and all who have
lost the health and strength that once were theirs**

THOSE WHOSE EARTHLY LIFE IS COMPLETE:

The recently departed:

Susan Yarwood-Smith (8 Dec)

We commend to you those whose anniversaries of death occur:

15	Christine Corker (2021)	
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)
20	Helen Baker (2010)	Joan Woodall (2013)
	Ayton Cox (2017)	Muriel Fisher (2019)

**Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord:
and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS:

We join our prayers in fellowship with those of...

The Blessed Virgin Mary,
and all the holy Apostles, Martyrs, and Saints...

THE PARISH OF AMBLECOTE HOLY TRINITY

14 December 2025

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.

SERVICES TODAY

0800	Low Mass (traditional language)	
1000	FAMILY MASS	Zoom also
1630	Christingle Service	

READINGS FOR 8 and 10

First Reading	Isaiah 35.1-10
Responsorial Psalm	146.4-10
Second Reading	James 5.7-10
The Holy Gospel	Matthew 11.2-11

HYMNS at 10

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Int	19	Come, thou redeemer of the earth (omit)*
Grad	17	When came in flesh
Off	3	Come, thou long-expected Jesus
Comm	5	Hark a herald voice is calling
Rec	9	Lo, he comes on clouds descending

PSALM RESPONSE

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

READINGS FOR VESPERS at 6

Psalms 12 [14] / Isaiah 5.8-30 / Acts 13.13-41

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, AMBLECOTE

RCL – Yr A : 3 of Advent / DEL – Yr2 : 3rd wk of Advent

SERVICES THIS SUNDAY – 14 December 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

0800	Low Mass (traditional language)	
1000	PARISH MASS	Zoom also
1630	Christingle Service	

THIS WEEK:

MON Advent

15	0900	Morning Prayer
	0930	Amblecote School Rehearsal
	11-ish	Low Mass with hymns and devotions
	1700	Evening Prayer

TUE Advent

16	0900	Morning Prayer
	1330	Amblecote School Christmas Service
	1500	Bible Study
	1500	Carol Service at Hollybush House
	1700	Evening Prayer
	1800	Carol Singing at Sainsbury's

WED O Sapientia!

17	0900	Morning Prayer
	0930	Low Mass
	1400	Carol Service at Comberton
	1700	Evening Prayer
	1830	Mayor's Carol Service

THU O Adonai!

18	0900	Morning Prayer
	1100	Carols and Communion at The Brambles
	1230	Mothers' Union Christmas Meal
	1630	Evening Prayer
	1800	Scout Group meeting

FRI O Radix Jesse!

19 Vicar's Day off

SAT O Clavis David!

20	0900	Morning Prayer
	0930	Low Mass (1549 Rite)

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY – 21 December 2025

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - O Oriens!

0800	Low Mass (traditional language)	
1000	PARISH MASS	Zoom also
1800	Evening Service – Advent Vespers	Zoom only

MASS READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

First Reading	Isaiah 7.10-16
Responsorial Psalm	80.1-8,18-20
Second Reading	Romans 1.1-7
The Holy Gospel	Matthew 1.18-25

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NOTICE BOARD

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Please note that the Christingle Service is **TODAY at 4.30pm**. Please do come along and bring your families with you. Raising funds for the Children's Society.

CAROL SINGING AT SAINSBURY'S

We are carol singing at Sainsbury on **Tuesday 16 December for an hour or so from 6.00pm** to raise some funds for the very important work of The Children's Society among deprived and abused children.

CTS CAROLS IN TOWN

We will be singing Carols in town on **Saturday 20 December, 10.00am** outside Tesco and **11.00am** in The Ryemarket (exact location to be notified soon). Please share this in your usual ways and encourage as many people as possible to come and take part.

FOOD BANK

The Food Bank at this time would be grateful of any chocolate, mince pies or the like, but we need to ensure that there's no alcohol in mince pies etc. Please continue to place your donations in the box provided. Thank you.

KNIT AND NATTER – CRAFT AND CHATTER

NOT this week, but usually every Tuesday, 2pm to 3.30, you are invited to call into church with or without your knitting, or possibly with some other craft, for tea and a chat. Invite your neighbours, if they would appreciate some company.

BIBLE STUDY

The next Bible Study is on **TUESDAY 16 December at 3.00pm** and every other Tuesday in church. This is organised by Kally O'Connor, from whom more information can be sought.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the PCC will take place on **Wednesday 21 January at 7.00pm** for Mass, followed by business at 7.30. The Standing Committee will meet **by arrangement**.

THE MOTHERS' UNION

The MU will next meet on **Thursday 18 December at 12.30pm** for their Christmas meal at Clent Nurseries. You are warmly invited to come and join us, and tell Jane, Barbara or Sue J if so.

MEN'S GROUP

The Group will next meet at the Robin Hood Inn on **Wednesday 14 January at 8.00pm**.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS

Christmas Eve	Quiet Carols at 2
	Candle-lit Carols I at 4.30
	Candle-lit Carols II at 6
	MIDNIGHT MASS at 11.30
Christmas Day	Low Mass at 8
	Sung Mass at 9.30
28 December	Christmas 1
1 January 2026	The Naming
10 January	Saturday
	10am Mass only
	Sung Mass at 11
	Epiphany Revels at 7

DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Please help us out by putting your donations of cash in the box available.

DIARY 2025

DECEMBER

SU 21 ADVENT IV		II
8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	PARISH MASS	
6.00pm	Evening Service	
Mo 22	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
Tu 23	2.00pm Knit and/or Natter	
We 24 Christmass Eve		
2.00pm	Quiet Carols – Take Breath	
4.30pm	Carols by Candlelight I	
6.00pm	Carols by Candlelight II	
11.30pm	MIDNIGHT MASS and First Communion of Christmas	
TH 25 CHRISTMASS DAY		I
8.00am	Low Mass of the Nativity	
9.30am	SUNG MASS OF THE NATIVITY	
FR 26 S STEPHEN, FIRST MARTYR		II
SU 28 CHRISTMAS SUNDAY		II
	NO Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	PARISH MASS	
Mo 29	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
We 31	9.30am Low Mass 2.00pm Service of the Word at Hollybush House	

DIARY 2026

JANUARY 2026

TH 1 THE NAMING AND CIRCUMCISION OF JESUS		I
11.00am	SUNG MASS OF THE NAMING	
SU 4 EPIPHANY SUNDAY		II
8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	PARISH MASS	
6.00pm	Evening Service	
Mo 5	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
Tu 6	2.00pm Knit and/or Natter 3.00pm Bible Study in church	
We 7	9.30am Low Mass	
Th 8	6.00pm Scout Group Meets	
Sa 10	7.00pm EPIPHANY REVELS	
SU 11 THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST		II
8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	FAMILY MASS	
4.00pm	Sung Evensong	
Mo 12	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions 2.00pm Kneeler Group	
Tu 13	2.00pm Knit and/or Natter	
We 14	9.30am Low Mass 8.00pm Men's Group	Robin Hood Inn
Th 15	2.00pm Mothers' Union 6.00pm Scout Group Meets	
SU 18 EPIPHANY II		II
8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	PARISH MASS	
6.00pm	Evening Service	

Mo 19	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
Tu 20	2.00pm Knit and/or Natter 3.00pm Bible Study in church	
We 21	9.30am Low Mass 2.00pm Service of the Word at Comberton CH 7.00pm PCC Meeting	
Th 22	6.00pm Scout Group Meets	
SU 25 CONVERSION OF S PAUL		II
8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	PARISH MASS	
6.00pm	Evening Service	
Mo 26	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
Tu 27	2.00pm Knit and/or Natter	
We 28	9.30am Low Mass	
Th 29	11.00am Holy Communion at The Brambles CH 6.00pm Scout Group Meets	
FEBRUARY		
SU 1 THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION		I
8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	FAMILY MASS	
6.00pm	Evening Service	
Mo 2	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
Tu 3	2.00pm Knit and/or Natter 3.00pm Bible Study in church	
We 4	9.30am Low Mass	
Th 5	6.00pm Scout Group Meets	
SU 8 SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT		II
8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	PARISH MASS	
4.00pm	Wholeness and Healing	
Mo 9	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions 2.00pm Kneeler Group	
Tu 10	2.00pm Knit and/or Natter	
We 11	9.30am Low Mass	
Th 12	6.00pm Scout Group Meets	
SU 15 NEXT BEFORE LENT		II
8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	PARISH MASS	
6.00pm	Evening Service	
Mo 16	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
Tu 17	2.00pm Knit and/or Natter 3.00pm Bible Study in church	
WE 18 ASH WEDNESDAY		I
10.00am	LOW MASS with ashing	
7.00pm	SUNG MASS with ashing	
Th 19	2.00pm Mothers' Union 6.00pm Scout Group Meets	
SU 22 LENT I		II
8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
10.00am	PARISH MASS	
6.00pm	Evening Service	
Mo 23	11.00am Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	

Tu 24	2.00pm	Service of the Word at Hollybush House
	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter
We 25	9.30am	Low Mass
	2.00pm	Service of the Word at Comberton CH
	7.00pm	Standing Committee
Th 26	11.00am	Holy Communion at The Brambles CH
	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets

MARCH

SU 1	LENT II		II
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
	10.00am	PARISH MASS	
	6.00pm	Evening Service	
Mo 2	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
Tu 3	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter	
	3.00pm	Bible Study in church	
We 4	9.30am	Low Mass	
	8.00pm	Men's Group	Robin Hood Inn
Th 5	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets	
SU 8	LENT III		II
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
	10.00am	PARISH MASS	
	4.00pm	High Mass – 1549 BCP	
Mo 9	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
	2.00pm	Kneeler Group	
Tu 10	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter	
We 11	9.30am	Low Mass	
Th 12	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets	
Sa 14	7.00pm	Bingo and Chips	
SU 15	MOTHERING SUNDAY		II
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
	10.00am	FAMILY MASS	
	6.00pm	Evening Service	
Mo 16	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
Tu 17	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter	
	3.00pm	Bible Study in church	
We 18	9.30am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
	2.00pm	Service of the Word at Comberton CH	
	7.00pm	PCC Meeting – Scrutiny of accounts	
Th 19	2.00pm	Mothers' Union	
	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets	
SU 22	PASSION SUNDAY		II
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
	10.00am	PARISH MASS	
	6.00pm	Evening Service	
Mo 23	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions	
Tu 24	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter	
We 25	9.30am	Low Mass	
	2.00pm	Service of the Word at Hollybush House	
Th 26	11.00am	Holy Communion at The Brambles CH	
	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets	
SU 29	PALM SUNDAY		II
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)	
	10.00am	PARISH MASS	
	6.00pm	Evening Service	

Mo 30 Holy Monday

11.00am	CHRISM MASS at the Cathedral
7.00pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Tu 31 Holy Tuesday

2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter
3.00pm	Bible Study in church
7.00pm	Low Mass with address

APRIL

We 1 Holy Wednesday

7.00pm	Low Mass with address
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TH 2 MAUNDY THURSDAY

11.00am	Low Mass of Maundy Thursday followed by a soup and roll lunch
8.00pm	COMMEMORATION OF THE LAST SUPPER with washing of feet, stripping of the altars, vigil of readings until midnight and compline

FR 3 GOOD FRIDAY

10.00am	Ecumenical Walk of Witness
10.30am	Easter Garden making
2.00pm	THE THIRD HOUR
6.00pm	VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

SA 4 EVE AND VIGIL OF EASTER

9.15am	Sacrament of Reconciliation
8.00pm	Vigil of readings, New Fire, Exsultet, SUNG MASS OF THE RESURRECTION with renewal of Baptismal vows, and First Communion of Easter

SU 5 EASTER DAY

8.00am	Low Mass of the Resurrection
10.00am	PARISH MASS OF THE RESURRECTION
6.00pm	Evening Service

Mo 6 11.00am **Low Mass** with hymns and Devotions

Tu 7 2.00pm Knit and/or Natter

We 8 9.30am **Low Mass** 8.00pm Men's Group Robin Hood Inn

Th 9 6.00pm Scout Group Meets

SU 12 EASTER II

8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)
10.00am	PARISH MASS
4.00pm	Taize Service

Mo 13 11.00am **Low Mass** with hymns and Devotions 2.00pm Kneeler Group

Tu 14 2.00pm Knit and/or Natter 3.00pm Bible Study in church

We 15 9.30am **Low Mass** 2.00pm Service of the Word at Comberton CH

Th 16 2.00pm Mothers' Union 6.00pm Scout Group Meets

SU 19 EASTER III

8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)
10.00am	PARISH MASS
6.00pm	Evening Service

Mo 20 11.00am **Low Mass** with hymns and Devotions

Tu 21 2.00pm Knit and/or Natter

We 22 9.30am **Low Mass**

Th 23	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
SU 26	EASTER IV		II	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	PARISH MASS		
	11.15am	Annual Parochial Church Meeting		
	6.00pm	Evening Service		
Mo 27	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions		
Tu 28	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter		
	3.00pm	Bible Study in church		
We 29	9.30am	Low Mass		
	2.00pm	Service of the Word at Hollybush House		
Th 30	11.00am	Holy Communion at The Brambles CH		
	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
MAY				
Fr 1	PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM till 4th			
SU 3	EASTER V		II	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	PARISH MASS		
	6.00pm	Evening Service		
Mo 4	BH No Low Mass			
Tu 5	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter		
We 6	9.30am	Low Mass		
Th 7	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
SU 10	EASTER VI		II	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	FAMILY MASS		
	4.00pm	Memorial Service		
Mo 11	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions		
	2.00pm	Kneeler Group		
Tu 12	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter		
	3.00pm	Bible Study in church		
We 13	9.30am	Low Mass		
	8.00pm	Men's Group		Robin Hood Inn
TH 14	ASCENSION DAY			
	11.00am	SUNG MASS of the Ascension	I	
	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
Sa 16	7.00pm	Christian Aid Quiz Night		
SU 17	ASCENSION SUNDAY		II	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	PARISH MASS		
	6.00pm	Evening Service		
Mo 18	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions		
Tu 19	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter		
We 20	9.30am	Low Mass		
	2.00pm	Service of the Word at Comberton CH		
	7.00pm	PCC Meeting		
Th 21	2.00pm	Mothers' Union		
	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
SU 24	DAY OF PENTECOST		I	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	PARISH MASS		
	6.00pm	Evening Service		
Mo 25	BH No Low Mass			
Tu 26	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter		
	3.00pm	Bible Study in church		
We 27	9.30am	Low Mass		
	2.00pm	Service of the Word at Hollybush House		
Th 28	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
SU 31	TRINITY SUNDAY		I	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	PARISH MASS		
	6.00pm	Evening Service		
JUNE				
Mo 1	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions		
Tu 2	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter		
We 3	9.30am	Low Mass		
Th 4	CORPUS CHRISTI		II	
	11.00am	SUNG MASS of Corpus Christi		
	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
SU 7	TRINITY I		II	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	FAMILY MASS		
	6.00pm	Evening Service		
Mo 8	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions		
	2.00pm	Kneeler Group		
Tu 9	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter		
	3.00pm	Bible Study in church		
We 10	9.30am	Low Mass		
Th 11	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
Fr 12	DIVINE COMPASSION OF CHRIST		II	
	9.30am	Low Mass of the Divine Compassion		
SU 14	TRINITY II		II	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	PARISH MASS		
	4.00pm	Sung Evensong		
Mo 15	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions		
Tu 16	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter		
We 17	9.30am	Low Mass		
	2.00pm	Service of the Word at Comberton CH		
	7.00pm	Standing Committee		
Th 18	2.00pm	Mothers' Union		
	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
SU 21	TRINITY III		II	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	PARISH MASS		
	6.00pm	Evening Service		
Mo 22	11.00am	Low Mass with hymns and Devotions		
Tu 23	2.00pm	Knit and/or Natter		
	3.00pm	Bible Study in church		
We 24	9.30am	Low Mass		
	2.00pm	Service of the Word at Hollybush House		
Th 25	11.00am	Holy Communion at The Brambles CH		
	6.00pm	Scout Group Meets		
SU 28	TRINITY IV		II	
	8.00am	Low Mass (<i>traditional language</i>)		
	10.00am	PARISH MASS		
	6.00pm	Evening Service		