

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 Church of the Province of Central Africa, with their Archbishop, ✠ Albert Chama
The Diocese of Oslo (Norway), with their Bishop, ✠ Karl Veiteberg
The Diocese of Durham (York), with their Bishop, ✠ Paul Butler
The Diocese of Moray, Ross, Caithness (SEC), with their Bishop, ✠ Mark Strange (Primus SEC)

for our fellow Christians in Stourbridge...

Especially those who staff the Life Debt Advice Centre, and its CTS representative, Julia Savage

For a proper preparation for the Mysteries of the Incarnation

SOCIETY AND THE WORLD: we pray for...

- Elizabeth our Queen and those who hold authority in her name
- Greater honesty and integrity from politicians
- The leaders of all nations; for wisdom and kindness
- Those whose research helps counter the new variants of Covid
- Greater care of the earth and her resources

OUR PARISH AND COMMUNITIES: we pray for...

- Our parishioners, especially those living in Trefoil Gardens, Trinity Road, Troutbeck Drive, Vale Street, Vicarage Close, and Vicarage Road
- Those serving prison sentences
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...

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

THOSE WHOSE EARTHLY LIFE IS COMPLETE:

the recently departed:

Susan Taylor (1 Dec)	Christine Corker (15 Dec)
Kelly Wesson (27 Nov)	

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)
22 Alice Wood (1992)	
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)	

THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS:

joining our prayers with those of...

The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Apostles, Martyrs, and all God's Servants and Saints...

THE PARISH OF AMBLECOTE HOLY TRINITY
19 December 2021



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

COLLECT OF THE DAY

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.

ADVENT 3 – MARY, MOTHER OF OUR LORD

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!

READINGS FOR THE MASS

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

HYMNS FOR THE MASS

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Int	186	Tell out my soul
Grad	342	Breathe on me, breath of God
Off	182	Her virgin eyes saw God incarnate born
PComm	310	We hail thy presence glorious
Rec	11	O come, O come, Emmanuel

PSALM RESPONSE:

**Show the light of your countenance,
O Lord God of hosts, and we shall be saved.**

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, AMBLECOTE

RCL – Yr C: Advent 4 / DEL – Yr 2: 4th wk of Advent

SERVICES THIS SUNDAY – 19 December 2021

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – O Radix Jesse!

- 0800 **Said Mass** (traditional language)
1000 **PARISH MASS**
1200 Holy Baptism
1800 Taizé Service for Advent

THIS WEEK:

MON **O Clavis David!**

20 Vicar's Day Off

TUE **O Oriens!**

- 21 0900 Morning Prayer
1100 Carols @ The Brambles
1700 Evening Prayer
1800 The Longest Night

WED **O Rex Gentium!**

- 22 0900 Morning Prayer
0930 **Said Mass**
1700 Evening Prayer

THU **O Emmanuel!**

- 23 0900 Morning Prayer
1100 **Said Mass**
1430 Carols @ Hollybush House
1700 Evening Prayer

FRI **Eve and Vigil of Christmas**

- 24 0900 Morning Prayer
0930 Confessions will be heard (till 10)
1830 Congregation Carols by reservation
2300 **MIDNIGHT MASS**

SAT **THE FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD**

- 25 0930 **SUNG MASS OF THE NATIVITY**

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY – 26 December 2021

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS – S STEPHEN

- 1000 **PARISH MASS OF S STEPHEN**

MASS READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

- First Reading Acts 7.51-end
Responsorial Psalm 119.161-168
Second Reading Galatians 2.16b-20
The Gospel Matthew 10.17-22

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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: they protect those around us from air-borne particles**
- We will sing hymns with our masks on as far as possible
- Anti-bac to be used
 - on entry and exit
 - prior to walking up for communion
- 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!

CHRISTINE CORKER

Christine sadly passed away after a period of illness not covid-related. We hold Fr John, and their daughters Helen and Susan in our prayers at this time of grief and loss.

CHRISTINGLE AND CAROLS AT SAINSBURY'S

Thank you to those of you who supported these. The monies collected and donations are as follows:

Christingle: c£30.00
Sainsbury's: £110.00
Donations: c£40.00

THE LONGEST NIGHT

This is a service of comfort and hope in a time of loss, loneliness and worry, **this coming 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.