

The Parish Church of St Anne, Kew



SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

10th December 2017

10am Sung Eucharist

Welcome to St Anne's Church for our Sung Eucharist.

Young people are invited to join the Junior Church in the Hall, and very young people may wish to use the crèche. All that you need for today's service is contained in this booklet which we invite you to take home.

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THE GATHERING

Advent Antiphon

O Radix Jesse

O Radix Jesse, quistas in signum populorum,
O Root of Jesse, standing as an ensign before the peoples,
super quem reges continebunt os suum,
before whom all kings are mute,
quem gentes deprecabuntur:
to whom the nations will do homage:
Veni ad liberandum nos, jam noli tardare.
Come quickly to deliver us.

Entrance Hymn

**On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Announces that the Lord is nigh;
Come then and hearken, for he brings
Glad tidings from the King of kings.**

**Then cleansed be every Christian breast,
And furnished for so great a guest!
Yea, let us each our hearts prepare
For Christ to come and enter there.**

**For thou art our salvation, Lord,
Our refuge and our great reward;
Without thy grace our souls must fade,
And wither like a flower decayed.**

**Stretch forth thine hand to heal our sore,
And make us rise, to fall no more;
Once more upon thy people shine,
And fill the world with love divine.**

**All praise eternal Son to thee
Whose advent sets thy people free,
Whom, with the Father, we adore,
And Spirit blest, for evermore.**

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

The Greeting

Priest: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

The Advent wreath candle is lit.

God our Father, you spoke to the prophets of old of a Saviour who would bring peace. You helped them to spread the joyful message of his coming kingdom. Help us, as we prepare to celebrate his birth, to share with those around us the good news of your power and love. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the light who is coming into the world. **Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

Priest: When the Lord comes, he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

1 Corinthians 4:5

**All: Father eternal, giver of light and grace,
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in what we have thought,
in what we have said and done,
through ignorance, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We have wounded your love
and marred your image in us.
We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us, forgive us all that is past
and lead us out from darkness
to walk as children of light. Amen.**

Priest: Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Kyrie Eleison

**Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy**

**Christ have mercy
Christ have mercy
Christ have mercy**

**Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy
Lord have mercy**

The Collect

Let us pray.

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness

we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

All: Amen.

Junior Church members now leave for their own instruction in the hall. If you are sitting next to someone you don't know use this moment to introduce yourself.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 40:1-11

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the Lord blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!' See, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

Reader: May your word live in us.

All: And bear much fruit to your glory.

Psalm

85:1-2, 8-end

**Lord, you were gracious | to your | land; ♦
you re|stored the | fortunes of | Jacob.**

**You forgave the of|fence of your | people ♦
and | covered | all their | sins.**

**I will listen to what the Lord | God will | say, ♦
for he shall speak peace to his people and to the faithful,
that they | turn not a|gain to | folly.**

Truly, his salvation is near to | those who | fear him, ♦
that his | glory may | dwell • in our | land.

Mercy and truth are | met together, ♦
righteousness and | peace have | kissed each | other;

Truth shall spring | up • from the | earth ♦
and | righteousness look | down from | heaven.

The Lord will indeed give | all that is | good, ♦
and our | land will | yield its | increase.

Righteousness shall | go before him ♦
and direct his | steps in • the | way.

Second Reading

2 Peter 3:8-15a

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed. Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home. Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

Reader: May your word live in us.

All: **And bear much fruit to your glory.**

Gradual Hymn

Lord, thy word abideth,
And our footsteps guideth;
Who its truth believeth,
Light and joy receiveth.

When our foes are near us,
Then thy word doth cheer us,
Word of consolation,
Message of salvation.

**When the storms are o'er us,
And dark clouds before us,
Then its light directeth,
And our way protecteth.**

**Who can tell the pleasure,
Who recount the treasure
By thy word imparted
To the simple-hearted?**

**Word of mercy, giving
Succour to the living;
Word of life, supplying
Comfort to the dying.**

**O that we discerning
Its most holy learning,
Lord, may love and fear thee
Evermore be near thee!**

Gospel Reading
Mark 1:1-8

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,
And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: and also with you.

Priest: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, 'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight" ', John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

**All: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit
and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic
and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

The Prayers of the Faithful

Watchful at all times,
let us pray for strength to stand with confidence
before our Maker and Redeemer.

That God may bring in his kingdom with justice and mercy,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

That God may establish among the nations
his sceptre of righteousness,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

That we may seek Christ in the Scriptures
and recognize him in the breaking of the bread,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

That God may bind up the brokenhearted,
restore the sick and raise up all who have fallen,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

That the light of God's coming may dawn
on all who live in darkness and the shadow of death,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

That, with all the saints in light,
we may shine forth as lights for the world,
let us pray to the Lord:

Lord, have mercy.

We commend ourselves and all for whom we pray
to the mercy and protection of our heavenly Father:

Almighty God,
as your blessed Son Jesus Christ
first came to seek and to save the lost;
so may he come again to find in us
the completion of his redeeming work;
for he is now alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

In the tender mercy of our God,
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,
to give light to those who dwell in darkness
and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

All: The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Preparation of the Altar

During the hymn there will be a collection for those who do not give by standing order. The gifts of the people are gathered and presented. The altar is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

Offertory Hymn

**Wake, O wake! with tidings thrilling
The watchmen all the air are filling,
Arise, Jerusalem, arise!
Midnight strikes! no more delaying,
'The hour has come!' we hear them saying.
Where are ye all, ye virgins wise?
The Bridegroom comes in sight,
Raise high your torches bright!
Alleluia!
The wedding song
Swells loud and strong:
Go forth and join the festal throng.**

**Sion hears the watchmen shouting,
Her heart leaps up with joy undoubting,
She stands and waits with eager eyes;
See her Friend from heaven descending,
Adorned with truth and grace unending!
Her light burns clear, her star doth rise.
Now come, thou precious Crown,
Lord Jesu, God's own Son!
Hosanna!
Let us prepare
To follow there,
Where in thy supper we may share.**

**Every soul in thee rejoices;
From men and from angelic voices
Be glory given to thee alone!
Now the gates of pearl receive us,
Thy presence never more shall leave us,
We stand with angels round thy throne.
Earth cannot give below
The bliss thou dost bestow.
Alleluia!
Grant us to raise,
To length of days,
The triumph-chorus of thy praise.**

The response to the offertory prayers – Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: and also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good to give you thanks and praise, almighty God and everlasting Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, for when he humbled himself to come among us in human flesh, he fulfilled the plan you formed before the foundation of the world to open for us the way of salvation. Confident that your promise will be fulfilled, we now watch for the day when Christ our Lord will come again in glory. And so we join our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven to proclaim your glory, for ever praising you and singing:

**All: Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ; who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying; Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Great is the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Anne our patron and all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Priest: As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

**All: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.**

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Priest: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All: Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Giving of Communion

The priest says the invitation to communion

Priest: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are they who are called to his supper;

**All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

All: Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.

The people receive communion as guided by the sidesmen.

Communicant members of other denominations are welcome to receive Holy Communion at this service, or to come forward to receive a blessing. During the distribution the choir sings an anthem.

After all have received Corporate silence is kept.

Post Communion Sentence

The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness and let us put on the armour of light.

Post Communion Hymn

**Thy kingdom come! on bended knee
The passing ages pray;
And faithful souls have yearned to see
On earth that kingdom's day.**

**But the slow watches of the night
Not less to God belong;
And for the everlasting right
The silent stars are strong.**

**And lo, already on the hills
The flags of dawn appear;
Gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,
Proclaim the day is near:**

**The day in whose clear-shining light
All wrong shall stand revealed,
When justice shall be throned in might,
And every hurt be healed;**

**When knowledge, hand in hand with peace,
Shall walk the earth abroad:
The day of perfect righteousness,
The promised day of God.**

Prayer after Communion

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**All: Father of all,
we give you thanks and praise,
that when we were still far off
you met us in your Son and brought us home.
Dying and living, he declared your love,
gave us grace, and opened the gate of glory.
May we who share Christ's body live his risen life;
we who drink his cup bring life to others;
we whom the Spirit lights give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope that you have set before us, so we and all
your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Notices are given and the children present their work.

THE DISMISSAL

Priest: Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

Our Lord says, 'I am coming soon.'

All: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

May the Lord, when he comes, find us watching and waiting.

All: Amen.

Advent Antiphon

O Clavis David

O Clavis David, et sceptrum domus Israel,

O Key of David and sceptre of the house of Israel,

qui aperis et nemo claudit,

you open and no one can close,

claudis et nemo aperit:

and close and no one can open:

Veni, et educ vinctum de domo carceris,

Come and rescue the prisoners who are in darkness

sedentem in tenebris et umbra mortis.

and the shadow of death.

Please remember in your prayers the sick: Juliette, Elizabeth, Ruth, Gerald, Beth, Betty, Marie-Jose, Tabitha, Vishan, Oscar.

the departed: Derrick Schauerman, Juliet.

those whose anniversaries fall 10-16 December: Jimmy James, Nigel Sitwell, Katie Mortimer, Molly Gordon, Francis Webb Neate, David Vickery, Anne Morley-Smith.

Notices

Next Sunday's Readings – Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-end, 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24, John 1:6-8, 19-28.

Handel's Messiah – This will be performed on December 22nd at 7.00pm – see www.saintannekew.org.uk for details

Helpers needed – to act as ushers and bar staff for Handel's Messiah on 22nd December – please sign up if you can help

Treasurer – we are seeking a new Church Treasurer – please see Fr. Nigel for more information.

Oberammergau 2020 – Please sign up at the back of church if you are interested joining a parish group to see this Passion Play in 2020

A Message from the Flower Arrangers - Our dear departed Paddy organised all aspects of the **provision** of flowers in this church. We want to carry on, but there is no budget for flowers. We therefore ask you to consider sponsoring the flowers for one day in the year. This might be a feast day such as All Saints' day, Christmas, Mothering Sunday or Easter. It could be to commemorate a person who was dear to you. If you would like to do this, please contact Monica Bridgewater in church after the 10 o'clock service or monicabridgewater@blueyonder.co.uk 0208 948 5594.

Christmas Collection for 'Welcare' ends tomorrow - *Welcare* is a SW London/E Surrey charity, with Christian foundations, dedicated to one-to-one, practical and emotional support for local families in need, who have children aged up to 13. Traditionally, it has been generously supported by our congregation; leaflets are at the back of the church. If you would like to help this Christmas, please buy plastic gift card/s (the most useful are *Sainsbury's & Tesco*) and pass them (in an envelope stating their individual value) to a sides-person, Chris or Simon Child, or to Marie, our Parish Administrator, by Monday 11th December. Also, Welcare seeks volunteers for child mentoring (8-13 years) who could offer a few hours every 2 weeks.

Advent Fair - Celebrating our talents – thank you. Thank you to all who contributed their talents, time, willing hands and generous support to make our Advent Fair such a success again this year. Together, you raised £340.00 to support St Anne's Church. Thank you – the fruit of your talents will help our church to thrive.

Sidesmen's Rota – please collect your new rota from the back of the church and sign up for the Christmas services.

Churches together in Kew Christmas Cards – Please take a pack to deliver in your road.

Diary for the week

Sunday 10 - *Second in Advent*

08.00 Said Eucharist
10.00 Sung Eucharist
12.30 Hall: Vineyard Lunch
17.00 Evening Prayer

Monday 11

07.45 Morning Prayer
18.00 Kew House Carol Service

Tuesday 12

07.45 Morning Prayer

Wednesday 13 – *St Lucy*

07.45 Morning Prayer
11.00 Hall: Bible Study
12.30 Said Eucharist
13.00 Hall: Simple Lunch
19.00 Kew WI

Thursday 14 – *St John of the Cross*

07.45 Morning Prayer
09.00 Said Eucharist
13.45 Broomfield School Carol Service

Friday 15

Saturday 16

08.30 Said Eucharist
09.15 Hall: PCC meeting
13.00 Holy Matrimony: Deorilyn and Paul

Sunday 17– *O Sapientia*

08.00 Said Eucharist
10.00 Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism
17.00 Evening Prayer

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