



# LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL

## THIRD SUNDAY of ADVENT

15<sup>th</sup> December 2019

- 7.30AM SAID MATINS**  
Psalm 68 (vv1-20)
- 8.00AM HOLY EUCHARIST**  
President & Preacher: The Dean
- 9.00AM PARISH EUCHARIST** *(followed by tea/coffee in Prebendal House)*  
President: The Canon Precentor  
Preacher: The Dean  
Reader & Offertory: Wendy Harding
- 11.00AM CHORAL EUCHARIST**  
President: The Canon Chancellor  
Preacher: The Dean  
*Darke* in F  
Canite Tuba *Guerrero*
- 12.30PM HOLY EUCHARIST** (Lady Chapel)  
President: The Canon Residentiary
- 3.30PM CHORAL EVENSONG** *Cathedral Choir ATB*  
The Advent Prose *Mode V*  
Responses *Harris*  
Psalm 12 Hymns 5, 3(i)  
*Bennett* in D minor  
Ave Maria *Biebl*

*The organ voluntary at the end of each service is part of the offering of our worship.  
It is to be enjoyed but, please, **not** applauded.*

*New worshippers are especially welcome and are invited to make themselves known to the clergy.*

# THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ is the world's true light,  
its captain of salvation,  
the day-star clear and bright,  
desire of every nation;  
new life, new hope awakes  
for all who own his sway:  
freedom her bondage breaks,  
and night is turned to day.

In Christ all races meet,  
their ancient feuds forgetting,  
the whole round world complete,  
from sunrise to its setting:  
when Christ is throned as Lord,  
all shall forsake their fear,  
to ploughshare beat the sword,  
to pruning-hook the spear.

One Lord, in one great name  
unite us all who own you;  
cast out our pride and shame  
that hinder to enthrone you;  
the world has waited long,  
has travailed long in pain;  
to heal its ancient wrong,  
come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

Words: George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959)

Music: NUN DANKET Praxis Pieta Melita (1647 Crüger)

## **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 and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## ***A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah***

Isaiah 35. 1-10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the LORD, the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

# THE MAGNIFICAT

1. My soul doth magnify the Lord:  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
2. For he hath regarded:  
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
3. For behold, from henceforth:  
all generations shall call me blessed.
4. For he that is mighty hath magnified me:  
and holy is his name.
5. And his mercy is on them that fear him:  
throughout all generations.
6. He hath showed strength with his arm:  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
7. He hath put down the mighty from their seat:  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
8. He hath filled the hungry with good things:  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
9. He remembering his mercy:  
hath helped his servant Israel;
10. As he promised to our forefathers:  
Abraham and his seed for ever.

***A reading from the Letter of St James***

James 5. 7-10

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

*This is the word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Matthew.*

Matthew 11. 2-11

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.'

7 As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

*This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

# OFFERTORY HYMN

Come, thou Redeemer of the earth,  
And manifest thy virgin-birth:  
Let every age adoring fall,  
Such birth befits the God of all.

Begotten of no human will,  
But of the Spirit, thou art still  
The Word of God, in flesh arrayed,  
The Saviour, now to man displayed.

The virgin womb that burden gained  
With virgin honour all unstained,  
The banners there of virtue glow,  
God in his temple dwells below.

Forth from that chamber goeth he,  
That royal home of purity.  
A giant in twofold substance one,  
Rejoicing now his course to run.

From God the Father he proceeds,  
To God the Father back he speeds,  
Runs out his course to death and hell,  
Returns on God's high throne to dwell.

O equal to thy Father, thou!  
Gird on thy fleshly mantle now,  
The weakness of our mortal state  
With deathless might invigorate.

Thy cradle here shall glitter bright,  
And darkness glow with new-born light,  
No more shall night extinguish day,  
Where love's bright beams their power display.

O Jesu, Virgin-born, to thee  
Eternal praise and glory be,  
Whom with the Father we adore  
And Holy Spirit, evermore. Amen.

# POST COMMUNION HYMN

Hark the glad sound! the Saviour comes,  
The Saviour promised long;  
Let every heart prepare a throne,  
And every voice a song.

He comes the prisoners to release,  
In Satan's bondage held;  
The gates of brass before him burst,  
The iron fetters yield.

He comes to clear the darkened mind,  
To drive the night away,  
And on the eyeballs of the blind  
To pour celestial day.

He comes the broken heart to bind,  
The bleeding soul to cure,  
And with the treasures of his grace  
To enrich the humble poor.

Our glad hosannas, prince of peace,  
Thy welcome shall proclaim,  
And heaven's eternal arches ring  
With thy belovèd name.

Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751)  
Music: BRISTOL Psalter (Ravenscroft 1621)

**Those who have asked for prayer:**

Roger Rathbone, Catherine Hughes, Archie Conway-Gardner, Ray Edwards,  
Sister Elizabeth SLG, Isobel Purcell, Mary Robertson, Margaret Harries, Valerie Aspden.

**The long term sick and housebound, among them:**

John Brewster, Mary Wines, Sid Baldwin, Tom Bailey,  
Dafydd Hughes, Fred Mudge, Marjorie Mudge.

**The departed:**

*For those who have died recently:* Jeffrey Hull, Philip Adrian Payne.

*Year's mind:*

15 December	Charles Howard James, Vernon Alexander Watt
16 December	Jessie Curtis, Peggy Carey, Yvette Dorothy Mary Rhys
17 December	Reginald Thompson, Annie Phelps
18 December	Albert William Lister, Glenys Valmai Davies, Edward George Wyatt,
19 December	
20 December	Edna Storer, Sheila Jenkins
21 December	Edward John Bowdery, Howard William Thomas, Iris Florence Carroll, Dorothy Nora Allin, Gillian Denise Warren.

## WEEKLY PRAYER INTENTIONS

- Sunday:** The Diocese of El Salvador (Central America)  
The Rectorial Benefice of Barry: The Rev'd Benjamin Andrews
- Monday:** The Diocese of Eldoret (Kenya)  
The Parish of Penarth, All Saints: The Rev'd Canon Peter Cox
- Tuesday:** The Diocese of El-Obeid (Sudan)  
The Parish of Penarth and Llandough: The Rev'd Mark Jones
- Wednesday:** The Diocese of Ely (England)  
The Clergy with Permission to Officiate
- Thursday:** The Diocese of Engu (Nigeria)  
The Parish of Penmark w Llanarfarn w Llantrithyd:  
The Rev'd Canon Derek Belcher
- Friday:** The Diocese of South West Tanganyika (Tanzania)  
The Parish of Porthkerry and Roose: The Rev'd Melanie Prince
- Saturday:** The Diocese of Etsako (Nigeria)  
The Parish of St Andrews Major & Michaelston-lePit:  
The Rev'd Andrew James

## NOTICES

**Cathedral Choir Concert** - Although tickets are no longer available through either Garlands or Eventbrite for the Cathedral Choir concert on 21st December, do please email ticket enquiries to Stephen Moore or to the Cathedral Choir Association ([llandaffcca@gmail.com](mailto:llandaffcca@gmail.com)) with your name, phone number and how many tickets you would ideally like and someone will ring you back if tickets become available.

**The Advent Appeal** - *1familycardiff* is a local project to welcome and resettle a Syrian refugee family in the area. It is working with Citizens Cymru Wales and the Community Resettlement Scheme, and is run by a committee of members from churches in the Llandaff Deanery. This Advent, the Cathedral has an opportunity to be involved in this project and to contribute by raising money through our Advent Appeal. Please give generously as we reflect on the value of hospitality and the Biblical imperative to care for the stranger, the traveller, and all who are particularly vulnerable in our midst.

The latest edition of *Majestas* is now available.

On **Christmas Day** during the homily slot at the Parish Eucharist, the children will be invited to help act out the Nativity story. Costumes are welcome but optional!

Additional help is urgently required in the **Cathedral Shop** especially for the following time-slots: 12 noon – 2.00 pm on Fridays and 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please contact Mary Madsen on 029 2061 1504 if you can offer any help.

We are hoping to grow the pool of **intercessors for the 9 am service**. Intercessions follow an established model which is provided to intercessors with friendly guidance and support for the writing of the prayers of intercessions. If you are interested in becoming an intercessor at the 9.00 am service, please contact Clair Rowden on 07493 105424 or [rowdens@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:rowdens@cardiff.ac.uk).

There will be no **Sunday School** on the morning of the 22<sup>nd</sup> December but there will be a special **Children's Service of Light** that day at 5.30pm. Sunday School will resume on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January.

**Llandaff Cathedral 900<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** - 2020 marks the 900<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the commencement of the building of the Norman Cathedral. Why not begin the year by finding out more about the history of the Cathedral? The Friends of the Cathedral have organised a guided tour of the Cathedral, beginning at 10.30 a.m. on New Year's Day and starting at the west end of the Nave. All are welcome.

**Helping others to get to Church** – we are aware that there may be members of the Cathedral community who have difficulty getting to services either because of lack of transport or restricted mobility. The Churchwardens would like to hear from or about those for whom this is true and from those who may be able to offer assistance to them, at least on occasion. The wardens contact details are at the end of these Weekly Notes.

**Homeless Café** – Our community engagement group are setting up this joint project with St John's Church in the City Centre. Anyone who might be interested in volunteering to help on a rota is invited to come to an information session on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 10.30am in St. John's. The café will run weekly on Monday mornings from February. Please speak to Canon Jan if you are interested or have any questions about this.

**Friends Annual Lunch 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020 12:30pm** – Our annual lunch will be held at Cardiff Metropolitan University. There will be a two course lunch with coffee. Tickets are £18 for Friends and £21 for visitors. All are welcome! Cheques are payable to the Friends of Llandaff Cathedral. SAE please. Contact is Linda Quinn.

## SERVICES AND EVENTS THIS WEEK

<b>Monday</b>	<b>8.30 am</b>	Morning Prayer (St Dyfrig Chapel)
	<b>9.00 am</b>	Holy Eucharist (St Dyfrig Chapel)
	<b>5.30 pm</b>	Choral Evensong
	<b>7.00 pm</b>	Whitchurch High School Carol Service
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>O Wisdom!</i>	<b>8.30 am</b>	Morning Prayer (St Dyfrig Chapel)
	<del><b>10.00 am</b></del>	No celebration of the Eucharist today
	<b>11.00am</b>	Cathedral School Juniors' Carol Concert
	<b>1.00pm</b>	Cathedral School Seniors' Carol Concert
	<b>5.30 pm</b>	Evening Prayer
<b>Wednesday</b> <i>O Adonai!</i>	<b>8.00 am</b>	Morning Prayer (St Dyfrig Chapel)
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Holy Eucharist (St David Chapel, <i>followed by tea/ coffee</i> )
	<b>1.30pm</b>	Funeral – Jeffrey Hull
	<b>5.30 pm</b>	Evening Prayer
	<b>6.30 pm</b>	La Nativité du Seigneur
<b>Thursday</b> <i>O Root of Jesse!</i>	<b>8.30 am</b>	Morning Prayer (St Dyfrig Chapel)
	<b>10.00 am</b>	Yr Offeren (St Dyfrig Chapel)
	<b>1.00pm</b>	Llandaff City Primary School Carol Service
	<b>5.30 pm</b>	Choral Evensong
	<b>6.30 pm</b>	Emergency Services Carol Service
<b>Friday</b> <i>O Key of David!</i>	<b>10.00 am</b>	Holy Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	<b>5.30 pm</b>	Choral Evensong
<b>Saturday</b> <i>O Dayspring!</i>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Holy Eucharist (St Teilo Chapel)
	<b>5.30 pm</b>	Evening Prayer
	<b>7.00 pm</b>	Cathedral Choir Concert

**Next Sunday's services will follow the usual pattern, with the addition of the Service of Light. The service commences at 5.30 pm.**

### Weekly Notes

Notices for the Weekly Notes to be received no later than 9.30am each Thursday.  
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