



LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL

THIRD SUNDAY of ADVENT

17th December 2017

- 7.30AM **SAID MATINS** Psalm: 68.1-8
- 8.00AM **HOLY EUCHARIST**
President & Preacher: The Dean
- 9.00AM **PARISH EUCHARIST** *(followed by tea/coffee)*
President: Canon Graham Holcombe
Preacher: The Dean
Readings & Offertory Procession: Simon & Louise Hanna
- 11.00AM **CHORAL EUCHARIST** *Stanford in C & F*
President & Preacher: The Dean
Anthem: The Angel Gabriel *Archer*
Organ Voluntary: Nun komm', der Heiden Heiland, BWV 661 *J.S.Bach*
- 12.30PM **HOLY EUCHARIST** (Lady Chapel)
President: The Reverend Edward Le Brun Powell
- 3.30PM **CHORAL EVENSONG** *Cathedral Choir ATB*
Responses: *Plainsong*
Hymns: 6 & 499 Psalm: 62
Palestrina Magnificat Sexti Toni
Palestrina Nunc dimittis Terti Toni
Remember me, O Lord *Tomkins*
- 5.30PM **SERVICE OF LIGHT**
Preacher: The Reverend Edward Le Brun Powell

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

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Blessed be God:
Who keeps his promises forever

Blessed are you, sovereign Lord,
just and true:
to you be praise and glory for ever.
Your Prophet John the Baptist
was a witness to the truth of your coming.
May we rejoice in this light
all the days of our life, and so be ready
to meet our Saviour, Jesus Christ,
that we might witness to his love.
Blessed be God forever.

**Lord Jesus, Light of the world,
come among us again
and renew our confidence
in your power to save us.
Amen.**

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 61.1-4, 8-11

The spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion - to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, to display his glory. They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity for ever. Now consider, we are all your people. Your holy cities have become a wilderness, Zion has become a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation. Our holy and beautiful house, where our ancestors praised you, has been burned by fire, and all our pleasant places have become ruins.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 126

- 1 When the Lord restoreth the fortunes of Zion:
then shall we be like unto them that renew their strength.
- 2 Then shall our mouth be filled with laughter:
and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then will they say among the nations:
'The Lord hath done great things for them.'
- 4 Yea the Lord will do great things for us:
whereof we shall be glad.
- 5 Restore our fortunes O Lord:
like as when streams refresh the deserts of the south.
- 6 They that sow in tears:
shall reap with cries of joy.
- 7 He that goeth forth weeping, and taketh the seed with him:
shall come again with gladness, as he bringeth home his sheaves.

A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians 1 Thessalonians 5.16-24

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John.

John 1.6-8, 19-28

Glory to you, O Lord.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, 'Who are you?' He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, 'I am not the Messiah.' And they asked him, 'What then? Are you Elijah?' He said, 'I am not.' 'Are you the prophet?' He answered, 'No.' Then they said to him, 'Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?' He said, 'I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, "Make straight the way of the Lord"', as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, 'Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?' John answered them, 'I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.' This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMNS AT THE 11AM PARISH EUCHARIST

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Long ago, prophets knew
Christ would come, born a Jew,
come to make all things new;
bear his people's burden,
freely love and pardon.

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!

Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!

When he comes,

when he comes,

who will make him welcome?

God in time, God in man,
this is God's timeless plan:

He will come, as a man,

born himself of woman,

God divinely human:

Refrain

Mary hail! Though afraid,
she believed, she obeyed.

In her womb, God is laid:

till the time expected,

nurtured and protected,

Refrain

Journey ends! Where afar
Bethlehem shines, like a star,
stable door stands ajar.

unborn Son of Mary,

Saviour, do not tarry!

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!

Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!

Jesus comes!

Jesus comes!

We will make him welcome!

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.

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.

Words: Veni, Redemptor gentium, Ambrose of Milan (340-97), translated by John M Neale (1818-66)
Music: PUER NOBIS NASCITUR Melody by Michael Praetorius (1571-1621)

POST COMMUNION HYMN

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
Born to set thy people free,
From our fears and sins release us,
Let us find our rest in thee.

Israel's strength and consolation,
Hope of all the earth thou art;
Dear desire of every nation,
Joy of every longing heart.

Born thy people to deliver,
Born a child and yet a king,
Born to reign in us for ever,
Now thy gracious kingdom bring.

By thine own eternal Spirit
Rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all-sufficient merit
Raise us to thy glorious throne.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-88)
Music: CROSS OF JESUS John Stainer (1840-1901)

SERVICES THIS WEEK

	Holy Eucharist	Evensong
Monday <i>O Adonai!</i>	9.30am	5.15pm (said)
Tuesday <i>O Root of Jesse!</i>	9.30am Yr Offeren	5.15pm (said)
Wednesday <i>Ember Day</i>	9.30am	5.15pm (said)
Thursday <i>O Dayspring!</i>	10.00am Yr Offeren 11.00am	5.15pm (sung)
Friday <i>Ember Day</i>	9.30am	5.15pm (sung)
Saturday <i>Ember Day</i>	9.30am	5.15pm (said)

WEEKLY PRAYER INTENTIONS

- Sunday : Diocese of Wyoming (VI, The Episcopal Church)
Canton: The Rev'd Canon Mark Preece
- Monday : Diocese of Yambio (Minye, South Sudan)
Deanery of Penarth and Barry: The Rev'd Andrew James
- Tuesday: Diocese of Yangon (Myanmar)
Barry: The Rev'd Benjamin Andrews
- Wednesday: Diocese of Yei (Loryko, South Sudan)
Diocesan Board of Finance
- Thursday: Diocese of Yewa (Lagos, Nigeria)
Penarth, All Saints: The Rev'd Canon Peter Cox
- Friday: Diocese of Yirol (Bahr El Ghazal, South Sudan)
Penarth and Llandough: The Rev'd Mark Jones
- Saturday: Diocese of Yokohama (Japan)
Penmark with Llancarfan with Llantrithyd:
The Rev'd Canon Derek Belcher

Those who have asked for prayer

Stephen Williams, Jean Howells, Diane Jones, Susan Evans, Howard Bartlett, Fr Roger Dixon, Rachael Bland, Marina Arulanandam, Archie Conway-Gardner, Ramsay Withers, Canon Graham Francis, Russ Stroud

The longterm sick and housebound, among them:

Mary Wines, Natalie Doreen Evans, Morley Lewis, Audrey Lisk, Alun Brunt, Ruth Phelps, Sid Baldwin, Tania Shankland, John Brewster, Fred Mudge, Tom Bailey, Sue Gaunts, Dafydd Hughes, Pat Williams, Sheila Davies

The Departed

Recently departed: Gary Biggin

Year's mind:

17 December	Reginald Thompson, Annie Phelps
18 December	Albert William Lister, Glenys Valmai Daives, Edward George Wyatt
20 December	Mabel Frances Phillips, Edna Storer, Sheila Jenkins
21 December	Edward John Bowdery, Howard William Thomas, Iris Florence Carroll, Dorothy Nora Allin, Gillian Denise Warren
22 December	Sarah Elizabeth Brown
23 December	Marjorie Parsley

NOTICES

Carols and Crafts Christmas Event: Many thanks to everyone who came on Wednesday 13 December and, despite the dreadful weather outside, the Prebendal House was a hive of activity and merriment. Many thanks to the volunteer choir who started our evening with some lovely carol singing, and to all those involved in running stalls and activities. Much fun was had by those attempting to ring a tune on the Christmas handbells, with guidance from some experienced bell ringers. The children's craft work was very creative and colourful, especially the Christmas lanterns and handmade decorations. Thanks also to Santa for taking time out of his busy schedule to pay us a visit. Llandaff Cathedral Social Committee.

Organ Recital: On Wednesday 20 December at 6.30pm, our Director of Music, Stephen Moore, will perform 'La Nativité du Seigneur' (The Birth of the Saviour) by Olivier Messiaen. The music will be interspersed with biblical readings, making this a special opportunity to experience the Christmas story in an atmospheric setting through words and wonderful music.

Christian Aid (CA) Retiring Collections on Advent Sunday: So far (with a few promised envelopes still to come in) the two collections have raised an astonishing total of £2,179.76p. Of this, £1,740.70 was Gift Aided, so CA will be able to claim £435.17 on top, bringing the total benefit to over £2,600. What a wonderful result - a real sign of the Cathedral community's commitment to Christ's command to care for the poor and dispossessed. Thank you all so much for your generous response and for your ongoing support for CA - we are all very grateful. The Dean of Llandaff and the CA Team.

Upcoming Llandaff Mothers' Union Event: Monday 15 January – Branch Lunch at the Maltsters, names and payment to Barbara Treharne. Guests of members, visitors and prospective members are very welcome to attend our meetings held in the Parish Hall.

Christmas Parcels For The Homeless – No Collection: The Wallich has said they have decided no longer to accept large donations at Christmas, such as our parcels, so there will be no collection during Advent. Thank you for all your parcels over the last 34 years. Linda Quinn.

Stewardship Campaign Update: A sincere thanks to the members of our congregations who have changed their financial giving to Gift Direct and those who have increased their Gift Direct giving. Members of the PCC will be available over the next few weeks on Sundays at morning services, by the West Door of the Cathedral. They will be happy to answer any concerns regarding the ongoing stewardship campaign and will have the necessary Gift Direct forms and written information explaining how to increase your financial giving to support Llandaff Cathedral.

Parish Tea and Coffee – Helpers Needed: A big thank you to all those who have helped us to serve the refreshments after the Parish Eucharist this year. We would love to welcome new helpers, all that is required is to serve tea and coffee, help to fill and empty the dishwasher and tidy up. It is an enjoyable activity and helps to provide a wonderful opportunity for fellowship. On a busy Sunday we serve up to 100 teas and coffees and we are grateful for your donations which allow us to do this. Your contributions pay for the tea, coffee, milk, sugar and biscuits and the profits go to the Cathedral. We try to source our provisions as ethically as possible. We buy only Fair Trade products and this year we have been trying to avoid biscuits which contain palm oil because of its association with the destruction of the rainforests. Where we are unable to find biscuits free of palm oil, we have instead fallen back on those that contain palm oil from “sustainable” sources. However there are concerns that even these certified products allow for rainforest destruction and poor practices. Please visit www.rainforest-rescue.org for more information. From the Parish Refreshments Team.

Christmas Flowers: A box will be placed on the chest at the West Door for donations towards the Christmas Flowers. We thank all who have donated in the past as it is much appreciated. Thank you.

Friends of Llandaff Cathedral Annual Lunch: The 2018 annual lunch will be held at Cardiff Metropolitan University, Western Avenue on Thursday 1 February. Menu - Pan fried chicken breast accompanied by Lyonnaise potatoes and seasonal vegetables or vegetarian option, followed by rosemary pannacotta with winter berry compote and vanilla thyme shortbread, and tea/coffee. Tickets at £12 each are now available from Linda Quinn, 74 Pencisely Road, CF5 1DH. Cheques payable to Friends of Llandaff Cathedral and SAE please. Please state any dietary requirements when booking. Do come and join us for this friendly occasion with our neighbours.

Thinking about Adult Baptism or Confirmation? Want to find out more about the Christian faith? Contact Canon Mari Price on 07583 073197. Classes begin on Tuesday 9 January, 2018.

Next Sunday: 24th December 2017

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7.30am	Matins
8.00am	Holy Eucharist
10.00am	Parish Eucharist

CHRISTMAS EVE

3.30pm	Service of Nine Lessons & Carols
9.30pm	First Eucharist of Christmas

Following Sunday: 31st December 2017

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

7.30am	Matins
8.00am	Holy Eucharist
10.00am	Sung Eucharist
3.30pm	Evening Prayer

DURING THE WEEK

Monday 18 th	2.15pm	Cathedral School Juniors Carol Service
Tuesday 19 th	9.30am	Linen & Vestment
	3.00pm	Cathedral School Seniors Carol Service
Wednesday 20 th	6.30pm	Organ Recital: La Nativite du Seigneur

Weekly Notes

Notices for the Weekly Notes to be received no later than 9.30am each Thursday.
Please contact the Cathedral Office on 029 2056 4554
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A printable version of the Weekly Notes is now on the website at
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