

LANCASTER PRIORY

Diary and Notices Advent 3 12 December 2021

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Harper Anderson, David Blackwell, Andie Blewitt, Stephen Gardner, Michael Greenhalgh, Christine Heywood, Marilyn Kenny, Pirkko Leong, Nick Stojic, David and Angela Underwood *and* Gill Witt

And those recently departed: Gordon McCracken
Please pray for his family

6.30 pm Choral Evensong Boys & ATB

Officiant: Mrs Lois Kirtley Psalm: 95 Responses: Plainsong

Canticles: Byrd Fauxbourdons Anthem: This is the record of John (Gibbons)

Hymns: 3ii, 9 Voluntary: Herr Christ der einige Gottes-Sohn (Sweelinck)

<u>Today</u> 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.50am Vestry Prayers

10.00am All Age Priory EucharistFollowed by 6.30pm Choral Evensong

New to the Priory—A warm welcome if you are new to Lancaster Priory. There are a number of opportunities to join with community, study and social groups for all ages and to stay in touch via digital newsletters and Facebook Groups, as well as our pages on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. If you would like to know more then please speak to the vicar or the wardens.

Refreshments—Tea and Coffee will be served in the Military Chapel after the Morning Service and on subsequent Sundays. We urgently need volunteers to help—please contact Hilary Greenwood.

New Notices

Christmas Cards—Lancaster Priory Christmas Cards have arrived! A great big thank you to Ellen Greyling for this nativity design especially for 2021. Cards can be purchased in church from this morning - £5 for 10 cards. All proceeds will help to support mission and ministry at the Priory

Stars To Remember—Frances Whittaker will be selling Stars To Remember at the rear of church today and 19 December, before and after the 10am service.

Marsh Community Choir—tomorrow, Monday 13 December 2pm in the Priory. Everyone is welcome. Singalong with the carols and join us for tea and cake afterwards.

In Date Order

Priory Youth—If you are aged 9 or over, you are invited to a short meeting with the vicar after this morning's All Age Eucharist service.

Christmas Hampers— Mustard Seed is working on providing some Christmas hampers for families in need in our parish, and we are planning to include the following items: Christmas puddings, Mince pies, Chocolate biscuits, Savoury biscuits, Chocolates/sweets, Selection boxes, Dates, Christmas crackers. We would very much welcome donations of these items. If you are able to help please contact either the Dickinsons (01524 68792) or the Kirtleys (01524 64321) as soon as possible. Ideally, donations need to be with us by December 12. Together we can all help in this way to brighten Christmas for local needy families. Christine, Lois, John, and Brian

Mince Pies and Mulled Wine—Everyone is welcome to the vicarage for mince pies and mulled

wine on Saturday 18 December, 2-4pm. Please RSVP to Jo at office@lancasterpriory.org

21 December Carol singing on the Marsh: We are planning to carol sing around the Marsh estate again on Tuesday 21 Dec, setting off from the Community Centre on Willow Lane at 5.30pm. Please come and join in! We always get a good reception, and hand out goody bags as we go for children and adults, A torch is handy, carol sheets are provided.

Donations of chocolate money would be very welcome! Please talk to Lois Kirtley for more details.

Christingle Making—If anyone is able to help make the Christingles on 23 December from 10am please contact Frances Whittaker. Email: francesclair2000@yahoo.co.uk

Christingle Workshop—24 December 1.00-2.00pm. If any primary school age children would like to join us for a Christingle workshop to learn all about the Christingle and make their own, please contact Viv: saflo@lancasterpriory.org to book a place in advance

LLF—We are hosting an LLF course from 9 January until 6 February on Sundays after Evensong. For more information and booking details please see the flyer at the back of church.

Christmas Services—please note that due to Covid 19 Christmas services will have restricted numbers and some services will require booking. Bookings open this week.

Christmas Spectacular—There are still some tickets available for the 5pm and 8pm concerts on Saturday 18 December. Please book via the links on our website.

Priory Prayer Lists—If you would like a name to be included on the list please contact Jo Arber in the Priory Office on 65338 or via email office@lancasterpriory.org

Support Group for the blind and visually impaired—everyone with sight loss is invited to a new friendship and support group. Marsh Community Centre, Lancaster 11.30am-12.30pm Mondays. For information Katie: 07868314807 katie.schad@hotmail.co.uk

Young Church— Volunteers Required. If you would like to volunteer with our Young Church groups, or know anyone how may be able to help, please contact Viv at saflo@lancasterpriory.org

Ellen Grayling Cards and Posters — Cards and posters are available to purchase in church.

Christmas Gifts? Supporting Local Refugees: Copies of the beautiful Syrian refugee recipe book 'A Taste of Home' (written by refugees) are available from the Verger (or Revd Jill Novell - riverlunelancaster@gmail.com). £20 each. All proceeds to refugees and Lancaster Priory.

PCC Minutes— if you would like to receive the approved minutes on a monthly basis in a digital format, please see the vicar.

The Priory Occasional Singers - new members are always most welcome. Please see Ian Pattinson if you might be interested in joining.

The Spiritual Growth Group- will meet online once a week on Wednesdays at 7pm for a prayerful spiritual exercise and a time of sharing. Everyone is welcome! If you would like to take part, please email spiritualgrowth@lancasterpriory.org.

Contactless Card Donation Station—you can donate to the Priory using the contact-less card reader which stands beside the door as you leave. All major debit and credit cards are accepted as well as Apple Pay and Android Pay

Service Sheet Sponsorship— If you would like to sponsor a future service sheet please confirm your chosen date and details on a form and post through the office letterbox or email your details to office@lancasterpriory.org. 2022 Dates are now available. Thank you.

Smile.Amazon.co.uk—Shop at smile.amazon.co.uk and Amazon will then donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to your chosen charity. Just type in our charity number and Lancaster Priory will pop up for you to choose. The number you need to find us is 1131372. (or search for St Mary Lancaster)

Olive Branch - Please continue to donate food items in the bin at the back of church.

Notices—Notices for the Sunday weekly sheet can be emailed to office@lancasterpriory.org by 5pm on Wednesday each week

This Week

Mon—Thurs	9.30am	Morning prayer
Mon 13	2.00pm	March Community Choir in the Priory
	6.30pm	LRGS Carol Concert
Tue 14	10.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Wed 15	7.30pm	Lancaster University Music Society Concert
Thu 16	9.30am	LGGS Carol Concert
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Fri 17	9.00am	Ripley Eucharist
	11.00am	Mini Marshmallows visit to the Priory
	4.00pm	Children's Choir
	7.30pm	Christmas Spectacular Concert
Sat 18	2.00-4.00pm	Mulled wine and mince pies at the vicarage
	5.00pm	Christmas Spectacular Concert
	8.00pm	Christmas Spectacular Concert

Services next Sunday 19 December—Advent 4

8.00am Holy Communion

President: The Revd Canon Brenda Harding, Hon. Associate Priest

10.00am Priory Eucharist

President: The Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders, Vicar of Lancaster Sermon: The Revd Keith Brockbank, Hon. Associate Priest

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders, Vicar of Lancaster



The Priory is taking a big hit from a drop in visitor income, venue income, and service collections.

If your income is keeping up, please consider using the QR code to make a donation to the work of the Priory.

We share a great sense of thanksgiving for all that God is inspiring around us in these difficult times.



Visit the Priory website: www.lancasterpriory.org for more information.