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DIARY AND NOTICES

The Third Sunday of Advent

11 December 2022

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Barbara Bland, Awena Carter, Stephen Gardner, Michael Greenhalgh, Marilyn Kenny, Andrew Cresswell, Delyth Cresswell, Linda Bruce and Norman (Nodder) Muckalt.

We are encouraging those who are able to go paperless for our services to do so and a full order of service is available using this QR code:



Today's Worship

8.00am Said Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion

10.00am All Age Eucharist.

President: Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders, vicar. Preacher: Revd Dr Susan Salt, curate.

Reader: Readings: Isaiah 35. 1-10, Linda Altham.

Intercessor: Hermione Roff

Choir Setting: *St Anne* (McMillan) Anthem: *View me Lord* (Lloyd)

Organ Voluntary: *Prelude on 'Personent Hodie'* (Burtonwood)

1.00pm Broadway/Bailey Wedding

4.00pm Sunday Knights Young Youth Group

Processional Hymn (NEH12)

1. On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake, and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of Kings.

2. Then cleansed be every breast from sin;
make straight the way for God within;
prepare we in our hearts a home,
where such a mighty guest may come.

3. For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge, and our great reward;
without thy grace we waste away,
like flowers that wither and decay.

4. To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.

5. All praise, eternal Son, to thee
whose advent doth thy people free,
whom with the Father we adore
and Holy Ghost for evermore.

Charles Coffin 1676-1749

tr: John Chandler 1808-1876

Offertory Hymn (NEH295)

Let all mortal flesh keep silence
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God to earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture —
in the body and the blood —
he will give to all the faithful
his own self for heavenly food.

3. Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the powers of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

4. At his feet the six-winged seraph;
cherubim with sleepless eye
veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
Alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high.

tr: Gerard Moultrie 1829-1885

Communion Hymn (LP24)

The Angel Gabriel from heaven came,
his wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
'All hail', said he, 'thou lowly maiden Mary,
most highly favoured lady. *Gloria!*

2. 'For known a blessed Mother thou shalt be,
all generations laud and honour thee,
thy son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold;
most highly favoured lady. *Gloria!*

3. Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
'To me be as it pleaseth God,' she said.
'My soul shall laud and magnify his holy name':
most highly favoured lady.' *Gloria!*

4. Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ was born
in Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
and Christian folk throughout the world will ever say
'Most highly favoured lady.' *Gloria!*

Sabine Baring-Gould (1834-1924)

Recessional Hymn (NEH 10)

1. 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?

2. God in time, God in man,
this is God's timeless plan:
He will come born as man,
born himself of woman
God divinely human:

Ring, bells, ring,...

3. Mary, hail! Though afraid,
she believed, she obeyed.
In her womb God is laid,
till the time expected,
nurtured and protected:

Ring, bells, ring,

4. Journey ends! Where afar-
Beth'lem 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!

F Pratt Green 1903-2000

Choral Evensong

6.30pm, Sunday December 11th

Officiant: Revd Leah Vasey-Saunders Preacher: Dr Richard Carter, LL.M.

Readings: Isaiah 5. 8-end, Acts 13. 13-41

Responses: Plainsong Canticles: *Fauxburdon* Nixon Psalm: 12

Anthem: *This is the record of John* (Gibbons) Hymns: NEH 2 (T.95), NEH3, NEH 18.

Voluntary: *Fantasia in G Minor* (Bach)

Notices

New to the Priory—A warm welcome if you are new to Lancaster Priory. Please stay for Coffee after the 10.00 service and get to know us!

Advent artwork - I currently have a display of work in the Regimental Chapel called Mineral Stars. The work is being developed and made during Advent. I am exploring the potential to create somewhere in the Priory where people can quietly contemplate this complicated season. Please feel invited to come and spend time in the space with the work...and maybe share your responses with me if you feel able. Many thanks to those of you who already have. Rachel-Ann Powers.

Christmas Concerts – Tickets now on sale for the 16/17 December.

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/34181> Or QR code to book:



Christmas Open House – Leah and Mark warmly invite you to their home (Priory Vicarage) between 2pm and 4.30pm next Sunday for Mulled Wine and Mince Pies (other options available). There will be a TV with the football on for people to check if they wish! Please take a ticket from the wardens if you intend to come so that we can judge the catering correctly. Thank you.

Communion—Communion is now available in both kinds. Intinction will be strictly not allowed by anyone. It is perfectly valid to receive communion in one kind.

Church Housekeeping We want our beautiful church to look all bright and shiny for our Christmas Services. We don't have cleaning staff so you are invited to a Housekeeping session on Friday 16 December from 11.00 am to 2.00 pm. Bring your sandwich lunch, drinks will be provided as well as all cleaning materials. This invitation is extended to everybody, not just women! If you can come, please tell Pauline Fielding, Churchwarden or Alice Granger, Operations Manager.

Carol singing on the Marsh

We will be carol singing round the Marsh estate once again on Tuesday 21st December, starting at 5.30 at the Marsh Community Centre. Carol sheets provided, please bring a torch! This is always well received, especially by the children; there will be refreshments afterwards.

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

Weekly E-News Letter - To subscribe to our new weekly e-news, please use visit <http://eepurl.com/ibduZf> or use this QR code:



Christingle Making - Please come to help make Christingles in the Refectory from 3pm on December 23rd. Please let Frances know if you can help francesclair2000@yahoo.co.uk

Coffee and Theology - This will start again in January, meeting on the 5,12,19, 26 and then February 2 and 9. Sessions will start with coffee at 7pm in the Refectory and the study will be of Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.

The week ahead *Priory Open to the public from 10.00am-4.00pm Monday-Saturday.*

Mon 12	8.30am	Morning Prayer in Zoom (<i>email info@lancasterpriory.org for the link</i>)
	9.30-12.00pm	Christmas Bag Packing (Refectory)
	8.00pm	Zoom Lecture Divina (<i>email n.stewart@lancaster.ac.uk For the link</i>)
Tue 13	10.15am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	11.00am	Tuesday Fellowship
Wed 14	11.30am & 2.00pm	LRGS Carol Services
	2.00pm	Sanctuary Guild (Refectory)
	7.30pm	University of Lancaster Music Society Concert
Thurs 15		LGRS Carol Service
Fri 16	9.00am	Ripley End of Term Service
	11.00-2.00pm	Church Housekeeping Session- All Welcome!
	7.30pm	Christmas Spectacular
Sat 17	5.00 & 7.30pm	Christmas Spectacular

Next week: The Fourth Sunday of Advent, Sunday 18 December
8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am Choral Eucharist with young church.
Readings: Isaiah 7. 10-16, Romans 1. 1-7
6.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols.