

# Pew News Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December



*A warm welcome if you are new to Lancaster Priory.*

*Please stay for refreshments after our 10.00 service, and get to know us better.*

*Stay in touch, sign up to our mailing list via <https://cutt.ly/vwrbRat9>*

**In our prayers this week** *We remember those who are sick and especially:*

*Linda Bruce, David Cummings, Jonathan Easton, Henry Grainger, Vicky Harvey, David Newton, Ann Nicol, Carolyn Parker, Valerie Pearson, Coralie Shimmons, David Cheung, Revd Kaarina Leong and John Tinsley.*

*We remember those who have died recently and pray for those who mourn. We also remember those whose year's mind occurs at this time.*

## Today's Services

**Sunday December 8<sup>th</sup>    Advent 2**

08.00                    **Holy Communion** *(Traditional Language)*

10.00                    **The Eucharist** *(Modern Language)*

President & Preacher: Revd Leah Vasey Saunders *Vicar*

Setting: *HBC Setting*    Readers: Dria Craven *(Philippians 1. 3-11)*

18.30                    Anthem: Angel Gabriel    Voluntary: Prelude on 'Wachet auf' Karg-Elert  
**Choral Evensong**

Officiant & Preacher: Revd Leah Vasey Saunders *Vicar*

Responses: Plainsong.    Psalm: 75    Anthem: Here is the little door *Howells*

Hymns: 5, 16, 128    Readers: Pauline Fielding *(Isaiah 40.1-11)*

Revd. Michael Fielding *(Luke 1.1-25)*

Voluntary: Nun komm der Heiden Heiland *Grey*

## The week's Prayers:

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God.

Amen

# Notices

Please email [info@lancasterpriory.org](mailto:info@lancasterpriory.org) with your notices by 12pm on Wednesday each week.

## This Week

**Midweek Fellowship group** – (Zoom) Wednesdays at 19.30. If you are interested in joining us you are most welcome. Email [Hilary@lancasterpriory.org](mailto:Hilary@lancasterpriory.org) for information.

**Marsh Prayer Group** – (Zoom) Tuesdays at 09.00 to pray for the community – includes Priory people & other church groups. We greatly appreciate prayer for our ministry on the Marsh. Email [info@lancasterpriory.org](mailto:info@lancasterpriory.org) for the link.

**Distribution of Communion** – will be at the high altar for those seated in the south side of the church, and in the Regimental Chapel for those seated in the north side of the Church. The Wardens will be on hand to direct people. This will mean less time pressure in the distribution and, by using the Regimental Chapel, provide a kneel free option.

## General Notices

**School Admissions Attendance Registers** – Please sign the sheets at the back of church at the end of each service that you attend.

**Lancaster Priory Christmas by Candlelight** – Don't forget to book your tickets and show your support to our choir by filling the church for these special Christmas concerts. Book through the website or speak to someone on duty

**Our charity of the month** – During December we remember the work of one of our Priory sponsored charity links the 'Church Mission Society' (CMS). We pray for their continuing work and support for their many Missionary Partners across the globe. We particularly pray and give thanks for our very own Alan and Lex Hamilton giving thanks for Alan, Lex and their 3 boys. We pray for God's protection and guidance upon their lives as they continually seek to fulfil their ongoing commitment to their very own missionary work and calling in Southeast Asia.

**Olive Branch** -The charity would like donations of the following, please, so they can make up extra gift bags for guests at the food bank:  
Christmas cakes or puddings; Mince pies; Biscuit boxes; Crisps; Chocolates;  
Non-alcoholic drinks; Nuts; Coffee, Crackers; new toiletries; new children's toys.  
Please leave anything you can spare in the grey bins that are the back of church every Sunday.

**Staying in Touch** – If you would like to stay in touch day to day, we have created a new online closed Facebook group for people who worship regularly at the Priory. Please email [info@lancasterpriory.org](mailto:info@lancasterpriory.org) to be sent a link to join.

**Advent Groups** – There is still time to join these groups and enjoy small group fellowship during the Advent weeks. Stephen Cottrell's book, How to Pray will be our starting point for conversations about beginning and sustaining our prayer life.

**The Priory Bar** - Having established this role and making it such a success Pauline would like to step back a little and we need someone or some people to please join her and share this role to keep it going and bringing in much needed funds for our Church.

This role is very different from our other volunteer roles, being both external and with public facing aspects during the bar events; we are looking for a team of helpers to fill the various roles making it fun and not too arduous.

Please show your interest by speaking to Pauline Fielding (Churchwarden) or by email at [paulinefielding@aol.com](mailto:paulinefielding@aol.com)

## Coming Soon:

*The Priory is bursting with events leading up to Christmas.*

*Please do come and support us as we share Christ's message of Hope through song and fellowship with the wider communities around us.*

**Monday 16 December** - Priory on the Marsh will be joining with other churches to go carol singing around the Marsh Estate. Meeting at the Community Centre at 5.30pm to fill goody bags and going singing 6.00 - 7.00ish. Please do join us, everyone is welcome. If you would like to help we would appreciate donations of chocolate coins to give out to the children; please hand these into the vergers.

**Wednesday 18 December** Priory on the Marsh Christmas party

**Thursday 19 December** Film Club with bar

**Friday 20 December** Beer & Carols

**Saturday 21 December** Film Club with Bar

**2025 Confirmations** - There is a signup sheet for those who are interested at the back of church. Confirmation Service will be on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May 2025 at 10.00.

Do talk to a member of the clergy team if you have any questions.

# PRIORY DIARY This Week

*Church public opening times can be found on Facebook & Instagram.  
Access to the Garden of Remembrance is during opening hours.*

## Monday 9<sup>th</sup>

19.30 Musical Theatre Choir concert  
20.00 Zoom Lectio Divina

## Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>

10.15 Holy Communion (*Traditional Language*) *Regimental Chapel*  
19.30 Bellringing Practice *Tower*

## Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>

09.00 – 15.00 Priory on the Marsh Winter Programme *St Thomas More RC Church*  
*Details displayed in the church porch.*  
14.00 Sanctuary Guild *Refectory*

## Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>

09.00 LRGS rehearsal  
12.30 Healing Eucharist with Anointing *St Thomas' Chapel*  
19.30 Wild Arts Messiah concert *Church*

## Friday 13<sup>th</sup>

18.30 Animal Care Nativity Carol Service *Church*

## Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>

10.30 LRGS Carol Service  
17.00 Christmas by Candlelight Concert *Church*  
19.30 Christmas by Candlelight Concert

## Sunday December 15<sup>th</sup> Advent 3

08.00 **Holy Communion** (*Traditional Language*)  
10.00 **The Eucharist** (*Modern Language*)  
President: Revd Leah Vasey Saunders *Vicar*  
Preacher: Revd Clare Sheppard  
Setting: Westmoreland *Pattinson* Readers: Kathy Cuthbert (*Philippians 4 4-7*)  
Intercessions: Sarah Hutchins  
Anthem: How brightly beams the morning star *Nicholai*  
Voluntary: Carillon on Carol of the Advent *Te Velde*  
12.15 **Baptism** Williams twins  
18.30 **Choral Evensong**  
Officiant & Preacher: Revd Leah Vasey Saunders *Vicar*  
Responses: Plainsong. Psalm: 50 vs 1-6 Anthem: This Endris Night *Quartel*  
Hymns: 3,625, 443 Readers: Margaret Pattinson (*Isaiah 35*)  
Christine Dowbiggin (*Luke 1. 57-66*)  
Voluntary: Es ist ein Ros' entsprungen *Brahms*

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