

### A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

When Christ came into the world, he said, 'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do your will, O God" (in the scroll of the book, it is written of me).' When Christ said, 'You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings' (these are offered according to the law), then he added, 'See, I have come to do your will.' He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. *Hebrews 10.5-10*

### Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.' And Mary said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

*Luke 1.39-55*



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**SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER 2021**

**ADVENT 4**



### Collect

Eternal God,  
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,  
so we wait for his coming in glory;  
bring us through the birth pangs  
of this present age to see,  
with her, our great salvation  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### Post Communion

Heavenly Father,  
who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to be the mother of the promised saviour:  
fill us your servants with your grace,  
that in all things we may embrace your  
holy will and with her rejoice in your  
salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

### Green Prayer

*A Confession, continued:*

The global south suffers greatly  
with child and slave labour,  
while many in the north  
think their riches are God's favour,  
few stop to consider  
their wealth came from imperialism,  
and injustices have arisen  
as a result of white supremacism.  
**Amen.**

### EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING

**10am-12 noon Church open**  
for quiet prayer - all welcome

### SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER 2021

#### READINGS

Hebrews 10.5-10; Luke 1.39-55

**8am Holy Communion (BCP)**

**10am Parish Eucharist**

#### HYMNS

400, 401, 117, 612

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### SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER 2021

**6.30pm CAROL SERVICE with choir**  
and brass group  
**Separate Service Sheet**

## FOR OUR PRAYERS

**Those who are ill or in need:** Simon; Michael Green; Nick Coke; Simon Kimber; Rita Allen;

**Those who have died:** Margaret Rutherford.

**Those whose anniversary of death falls at this time:** John Barrett (2020); Dawn Stageman (2015); Richard Thurgood (2010); Siàn Edmunds (2009)

**Link Parish** of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green, Zimbabwe

### THIS WEEK

**Wednesday 22 December:**

**10 till 11.30am** Church open for quiet prayer

### FRIDAY 24 DECEMBER

**4.00pm Family Crib Service**

**11.30pm Christmas Eve Midnight Mass**

### SATURDAY 25 DECEMBER

**8am Said Holy Communion**

**10am Christmas Day Family Communion**

### SUNDAY 26 DECEMBER: St STEPHEN

**8am No Service**

**10am Parish Eucharist with Carols**

**6.30pm No Service**

**COMMUNAL CHRISTMAS CARD**—An ECO IDEA. There is now a giant card displayed at the back of church. You can write your Christmas message to everyone in the church. Lots of space available!

**VOLUNTEERS** needed to help for the two Communion Services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day—please sign the list in the cross aisle if you can assist.

**THE NATIVITY PLAY** was an absolute stunner this year. If you missed it, you missed a treat! It was wonderful to see so many children involved. Thank you so much to Lyons and Tish and everyone else who helped—too many to name—but thanking the parents who got the children out of bed early (!), dressed them, rehearsed lines and everyone who was able to run around on the day to make sure it all happened in the right order! A final thank you to Rich and Nicole for the 'loan' of Joshua in his starring role as the baby Jesus!

## VACANCIES AT CHRIST CHURCH

**CHRIST CHURCH TODDLER GROUP** is planning to reopen on **Wednesday 12 January from 9.15am to 11.15 am term times only**. Please contact me if you would like to help on the Wednesday morning or Tuesday evening from 8.30pm for about an hour to put the equipment out. Help on a regular or occasional basis would be much appreciated. Please contact Mair Rabagliati or send her an email via [cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk)

**HELP NEEDED WITH RUNNING THE HALL:** A number of people in the congregation already do various jobs to help run the hall which is now fully open again. However, the hall needs a couple of extra openers/closers for children parties at the weekends every 10 or 11 weeks. The hall also needs someone to wash and dry towels and tablecloths on a regular basis. The hall also needs someone to give help with general management and marketing on an occasional basis. Please contact Angelina Skelton or Stefan Bown or email them on [ccsw20hall@gmail.com](mailto:ccsw20hall@gmail.com)

**A CALL FOR NEW CHURCH CLEANERS:** Could you consider sparing 1 to 1 1/2 hours every 4 weeks to join the Church cleaning teams? Tasks include dusting, vacuuming, cleaning the glass and the brass. Teams usually clean on a Monday or Saturday morning, but this could differ. Please contact Liz Errington or send her an email via [cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk)

**A CALL FOR NEW CHURCH GARDENERS:** we would love to invite members of the congregation to help us look after it and the wider church garden. We anticipate monthly gardening sessions but also ad hoc care, working to a given plan. Please do let me or any of the gardening team know if you have any interest. This does not commit you! Please contact Karen Chinn or send her an email via [cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:cparishoffice@yahoo.co.uk)

**AT THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS** is a **FREE** booklet published by the Church of England with 12 days of stories and meditations for Christmas. Do help yourself to a copy—they have been paid for by the Diocese.

**COVID-19:** Current guidance has changed. In church, everyone **must** wear a face covering over their mouth and nose, unless medically exempt. Please be aware of giving space to others. Remember—if you do develop any Covid symptoms, please remain at home.

**SUNDAY 2 JANUARY 2022 at 4pm:PEACE SERVICE** at St. John Fisher Church, Cannon Hill Lane. All welcome. Also available on their church streaming service. See poster at back of church.

**MANY THANKS** from the Wimbledon Women's Refuge to all those who generously donated toys and games on Toy Sunday—they have been much appreciated.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who created a wonderful Advent Fair—particular thanks to Tish and her fantastic team. The total raised was an amazing **£1,200**.

**FINANCES AT CHRIST CHURCH:** If you wish to contribute via your bank, the details of our CAF bank account, in the name of **The PCC of Christ Church, West Wimbledon**, are **Sort code: 40-52-40** and **Account number: 00029176**. Please can you put your name in the reference. Cheques can also be made payable to **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon** and sent to **Christ Church West Wimbledon, 2, Cottenham Park Road, West Wimbledon, London SW20 0RZ**. Please note you must put in the full name of the account if you are setting up an online payment with your bank: **The PCC of Christ Church West Wimbledon**

  
Christmas  
BLESSINGS