

## A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God,' and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

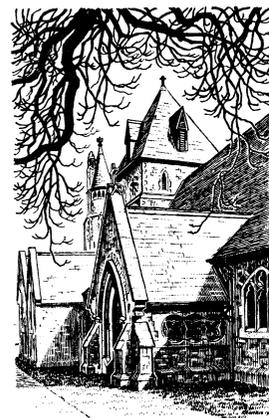
Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

*Hebrews 10.11–14, 19–25*

## Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.'

*Mark 13.1–8*



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**Sunday 18 November 2018**  
**2nd Sunday before Advent**



### Collect

Heavenly Lord,  
you long for the world's salvation:  
stir us from apathy, restrain us from  
excess and revive in us new hope that  
all creation will one day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Post Communion

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament  
you give substance to our hope:  
bring us at the last to that fullness  
of life for which we long;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

### Green Prayer

Father God, our Creator,  
who has made this planet to sustain  
a myriad forms of life,  
help us to stop abusing it for wrongful  
gain, exploiting it for selfish greed and  
spoiling through callous indifference.  
Help us to be responsible,  
caring stewards of our inheritance,  
and give us the wisdom to find the  
right means to sustain it. Amen.

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### 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

#### READINGS

Hebrews 10. 11-14 & 19-25

Mark 13. 1-8

### 10.00am Parish Eucharist

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Mark 13. 1-8

#### HYMNS

64, 476, 189, 19

### 6.30pm Evening Prayer

#### READINGS

Daniel 3. 13-end

Matthew 13. 24-30, 36-42

#### HYMNS

473, 190, 507

Psalms 95



## FOR OUR PRAYERS

### Those who are ill or in need:

Giles Ellis; Margaret Thornton; Val Hancock; Patrick Catchpole

**Those who have died:** Richard Pollard

### Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

Geraldine Wootton (1998), John Gash (1993)

**Link Parish:** The People of St Francis of Assisi, Barham Green

## THIS WEEK

### Monday 19 November

8.00pm PCC Meeting, Truman Room

### Tuesday 20 November

11.00am Morning Prayer

### Thursday 22 November

8.00pm Brass Group

### Friday 23 November

7.30pm Choir Carol Practice

## NEXT SUNDAY 25 NOVEMBER

### Christ the King

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Eucharist

*followed by a meeting in the Truman Room*

*'Supporting a Syrian Refugee Family'*

11.45am Carter House Service

6.30pm BCP Evensong

## NEXT WEEK

### Tuesday 27 November

11.00am Morning Prayer

### Thursday 29 November

2.30pm Thursday Together trip to  
Squires Garden Centre,

8.00pm Brass Group

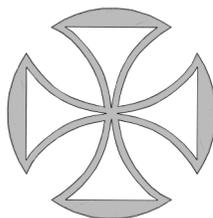
### Friday 30 November

7.30pm Choir Carol Practice

### Saturday 1 December

11.00am Hollymount School Fair

— 3.00pm



**TODAY** Chris Larkman will speak at the 10.00am service about our planned involvement in supporting a Syrian refugee family. There will then be a meeting in the Truman Room next Sunday 25 November, straight after the 10.00am service for those who are interested to know more.

**CHRIST CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARDS** are on sale. Congratulations to Lucy Naylor, Josie Allen, Louise Schenck and Naomi Lowe for their winning entries. Thank you to everyone who entered the competition - and to Naomi Lowe for arranging it along with Tish Mousell.

## **TRADCRAFT STALL**

The Traidcraft stall is now fully stocked for a Fair Trade Christmas. We have Advent calendars and candles as well as Christmas cards and wrapping paper; Christmas chocolates, decorations and gifts alongside our usual teas, coffees & groceries. We're happy to take orders for Christmas cards and other items in the catalogue.

Traidcraft is known as a Fair Trade pioneer with a focus on the most marginalised groups and long-term partnerships with producers in the developing world. You may have heard the news that it is in financial difficulty so please show support by shopping at your Christ Church Traidcraft Stall.

## **ADVENT FAIR**

The Advent Fair is taking place on **Sunday 2 December after the 10.00am service**. We would be grateful for contributions to the Home Produce stall, Raffle prizes, and anything 'brand new' for the Regal Stall. There will also be a plant stall, the children's corner, Traidcraft of course, and the wonderful KFH stall selling Greek Tomato Jam, Mince Meat and Christmas decorations. Mulled wine and sausage rolls will also be available! All are welcome so do invite your friends.

**CHRISTMAS IS COMING** — and our Nativity Play this year will be performed by our children and young people at the start of the **10am service on Sunday 2 December**. Many thanks to all our leaders for their help in getting our Christmas celebrations off to a great start. The early date for this is simply because many of our children are involved in rehearsals for dance shows on the Sundays in December. We knew you would not want to miss this always memorable production — hence why it is on 2 December! December 2 will also be our annual **Toy Sunday** — please do bring toys for those who otherwise would receive nothing at Christmas.

**MANY THANKS** to all our bell ringers, co-ordinated by Wendy Hamilton, who rang last Sunday. It was a very moving end to our Remembrance commemoration.

**TODAY** the Bishop of Southwark asks us to pray for an end to knife crime and violence and to pray for all those who are caught up in the current outbreak and to the police and other emergency services who are attempting to deal with this in London.

**THE NEXT THURSDAY TOGETHER EVENT** will be on **Thursday 29 November** when we will be going to the Squires Garden Centre in Thames Ditton for tea and some Christmas shopping. Do sign the list if you plan to come along so that we can organise lifts.

**WIMBLEDON FOOD BANK** would welcome the following items: Sugar, Toilet paper, Rice, Tinned fruit, Tinned custard, Ketchup. At Christmas they also like to include treats in the food parcels such as chocolates and biscuits. Items can be left in the box under the table at the back of the church. Thank you. For further details speak to Jenny Tomlinson.

**ADVENT 2018** — Michael is planning to lead a short three week course during the **Mondays** of Advent, held from **2.00pm to 3.15pm and 8.00pm to 9.15pm on 3, 10 and 17 December** in the Truman Room. We will be exploring **LIFE EVENTS:** Baptisms, Wedding and Funerals (in that order!) We'll be thinking about our current practices and discussing how we can make these even better! You can opt to come to **either** the afternoon **or** the evening session — there will be the same content at both times. Do try to keep a bit of space in your diary to join us for reflections and discussions.

**NEW VICARAGE** — some of you haven't seen the new Vicarage yet! Michael will be 'at home' on **SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER between 10.00am and 7.00pm** if you would like to call in? All welcome — no need to book — just come along!

**HALL PARKING** — please note that the Hall car park is only for those with mobility issues who need a parking space close to the Church on a Sunday. Thank you.

**RED 2019 CHURCH DIARIES** are free of charge — help yourself!