

We do not take a collection at St. Anne's as we have a Free Will Offering scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church. If you would like to join the **Free Will Offering** scheme please speak to Andy Crawford, Lindsey Archer or the church wardens .

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**Carol Singing in the Hatch...10.30**  
next Saturday—all welcome, the more the merrier!!



**Service of Carols and lessons—next Sunday 17.30.** All singers please have a word with Peter. Also it is a wonderful occasion for inviting friends and family. After the service there will be mince pies and mulled wine—**If you can make or bring mince pies**, please sign the list at the back of the church. Also, if you can help please have a word with either Heather or Val.

**St. Anne's Quiz—open until the 8th January.** Quiz sheets £1—at the back of the church—please take a few to share with friends and family.

**FOR OUR PRAYERS:**

**Sick and wanting prayer;** Joan Banks, Valerie Black, Claire Connelly, Kingston Joseph Gilbert, Nargis Gill, Riaz Gill, Siddique Gill, Russell House, Jenny Howland, Vera Humphreys, Khanya, Anum Mall, Saba Mall, Sohail Mall , Valerie Muscutt, Maureen & Melvin Oakes, Alan and Letitia Pearson, David Pinder, Joan Pinder, Jill Rooke-Matthews, Barbara Smith, Peter and Constance Smith, Lesley Stiffell, Rosalind Tatam, Sheila Treadwell, Elena Utton, Pauline Warner, Gordon Wilkinson, John Wood.

**Anniversaries for December:** 1st Violet Tattersfield, 2nd Arthur Toms, 5th Doris Acons, 6th Michael Barwick, 7th Eileen Sellwood, David Lovitt, 8th Hans Larsen, 9th Anne Jones, 10th Arthur Hughes, 12th Kathryn Anderson, 15th Elizabeth Salen, 16th Nellie Thacker, 18th Sheila Birchnall, 19th Winifred White, 21st Florence Palmer, 22nd Beryl Banks, 23rd Grace Skeggs, 24th Arthur Langsdon, 25th Gill Head, 26th Allan Taylor, 27th Alfred Salen, 29th Edward Gooch, 30th David Anderson, Joan Trapnell, 31st Mavis Symonds.

*.Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them, may they rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen*



**Parish Church of St. Anne Chingford**

Web site: [www.stanneE4.org.uk](http://www.stanneE4.org.uk)



**Advent 2—10th December 2017**

**Parish Eucharist 10.00**

**Sidesmen:** Shirley Byrne, Anthony Sullivan, Margaret Halford  
**Servers:** Alan Pearson, Miles & Isaac Denis  
**Chalice:** Beryl Stratton, Alan Pearson  
**Lessons:** John Wood  
**Prayers:** Rosalind Tatam  
**Preacher:** Jude Bullock  
**Celebrant:** Jude Bullock  
**Music:** Peter Stannard

**Order of Service**

Option 4  
Eucharistic prayer A

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**Hymns:**  
 140 Come, thou long expected Jesus  
 286 Hark my soul it is the Lord  
 334 I heard the voice of Jesus  
 307 Hills of the North rejoice  
 411 Judge eternal

**Response to the intercessions**

*Holy God, hear our prayer ...*

**....And use us in your service**



<b>This week</b> ⇒	<b>Monday</b>	<b>11th Dec</b>	<b>20.00 Plant Committee</b>
	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>13th Dec</b>	<b>20.00 Pastoral Committee</b>
	<b>Friday</b>	<b>15th Dec</b>	<b>10.00 Holy Communion</b>
	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>16th Dec</b>	<b>10.30 Carols in the Hatch</b>
	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>17th Dec</b>	<b>10.00 Informal Eucharist</b>

**St. Anne's welcome form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone no. \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_

You are very welcome here at St. Anne's. If you would like us to keep in touch with you or you are not on the electoral roll please fill in this form and hand it to the wardens, sidesmen or the vicar

## Collect

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us,  
and with great might succour us;  
that whereas, through our sins and wickedness  
we are grievously hindered  
in running the race that is set before us,  
your bountiful grace and mercy  
may speedily help and deliver us:  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honour and glory, now and for ever.

## Post Communion

Father in heaven,  
who sent your Son to redeem the world  
and will send him again to be our judge:  
give us grace so to imitate him  
in the humility and purity of his first  
coming  
that, when he comes again,  
we may be ready to greet him  
with joyful love and firm faith;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 40.1-11*

<sup>1</sup>Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.

<sup>2</sup>Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her  
that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid,  
**that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.**

<sup>3</sup>A voice cries out:

**'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,**  
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

<sup>4</sup>Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low;  
the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.

<sup>5</sup>Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,  
and all people shall see it together,  
**for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.'**

<sup>6</sup>**A voice says, 'Cry out!'**

**And I said, 'What shall I cry?'**

All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field.

<sup>7</sup>The grass withers, the flower fades,  
when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass.

<sup>8</sup>The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever.

<sup>9</sup>Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings;  
lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,  
**lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, 'Here is your God!'**

<sup>10</sup>See, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him;  
his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.

<sup>11</sup>He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms,  
and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

## New Testament Reading

*2 Peter 3.8-15a*

<sup>8</sup>Do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years,  
and a thousand years are like one day. <sup>9</sup>The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some  
think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to  
repentance. <sup>10</sup>But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass  
away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and  
everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

<sup>11</sup>Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be  
in leading lives of holiness and godliness, <sup>12</sup>waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of  
God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will  
melt with fire? <sup>13</sup>But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new  
earth, where righteousness is at home. <sup>14</sup>Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these  
things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; <sup>15</sup>and regard the  
patience of our Lord as salvation.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

## Gospel

*Mark 1.1-8*

*When the Gospel is announced the reader says*

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

<sup>2</sup>As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

**'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,**  
who will prepare your way;

<sup>3</sup>the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

**"Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight",**

<sup>4</sup>John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the  
forgiveness of sins. <sup>5</sup>And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of  
Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing  
their sins. <sup>6</sup>**Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and**  
he ate locusts and wild honey. <sup>7</sup>**He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is**  
coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. <sup>8</sup>I have  
**baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.