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.

Bazaar 2019—Many thanks for all the hard work put in to run the bazaar on Thursday and Saturday. As usual this contributed to making it the biggest fund raising event of the church year.

Advent Course—During Advent a study course will be run at St Edmund's Church, Larkswood Road, E4 9DS at 8pm on Wednesday and 1pm on Thursday. All are welcome.

South West Essex Choir Christmas Concert-7.30pm on Saturday 7th December at Ss Peter and Paul is to be dedicated to the memory of David Rolfe. There will be a retiring collection for Christian Aid.

Valentines Singers Christmas Concert - The Valentines Singers will be holding their Christmas Concert at St Anne's at 7:30pm on Sat 14th December. Tickets £10 from Lindsey Archer.

Children's Christmas Party 15th December 2-4pm We will be holding a children's Christmas party again this year. Please keep the date free to help if you can. Lists for offers of help and providing food are at the back of church.

FOR OUR PRAYERS:

We remember in prayer each day all those both known and unknown to us who are suffering in mind, body and spirit, for those who have care of them, for all who are living with difficulties and trouble at this time and for all who will enter eternity this week.

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, Les Acklam, 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



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Advent Sunday - 1st December 2019

Parish Eucharist 10.00

Welcomers: Jenny Miller, Anthony Sullivan, Rosalind Tatam Julie Adesina, Eira Endersbee, Alan Pearson Servers: Chalice: Heather Gwynn, Alan Pearson Margaret Halford Lessons: **Prayers:** Rosalind Tatam Preacher: Mick Scotchmer Celebrant: Mick Scotchmer Music: Peter Stannard Hymns: Hark! A herald voice is calling 286 Make way, make way, for Christ the King 500 All that I am, all that I do 24 327 I cannot tell Lo, he comes with clouds descending 449



This week	Wed	4th Dec	20.00 13.00	Ministry Leadership Team Advent Group— at St Edmund's Advent Group— at St Edmund's
	Fri Sun		10.00	Open Church Holy Communion Parish Eucharist

Collect

Almighty God,

give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility: that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post Communion

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 2.1-5

¹The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. ²In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house

shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it.

³Many peoples shall come and say,

'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,

to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways

and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. ⁴He shall judge between the nations,

and shall arbitrate for many peoples;

they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,

and their spears into pruning-hooks;

nation shall not lift up sword against nation,

neither shall they learn war any more.

⁵O house of Jacob,

come, let us walk

in the light of the LORD!

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Romans 13.11-14

¹¹Brothers and sisters, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; ¹³let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Matthew 24.36-44

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus spoke to his disciples: ³⁶ **About that day and hour no one knows,** neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³⁷For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ³⁸For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, ³⁹and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. ⁴²Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ⁴³But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. ⁴⁴Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an **unexpected hour.'**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.