



St Anne's Church, Chingford

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8th December 2024 – Advent 2

Parish Eucharist 10.00

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- Welcomers:** Velma Davis, Jacqui Haniff-Bentham
Servers: Terisa Nabukalu, Trisha Nakanwagi, Melissa Narusoke
Chalice: Eira Endersbee, Anthony Sullivan
Lessons: Clare Fullerton
Prayers: Julie Adesina
Leader: Jude Bullock
Preacher: Jude Bullock
Celebrant: Mick Scotchmer
Music: Peter Stannard

The saddest aspect of life right now is that science gathers knowledge faster than society gathers wisdom.

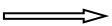
Isaac Azimov

- Hymns:**
 140 Come thou long expected Jesus
 589 On Jordan's bank
 452 Longing for light
 609 All over the earth
 307 Hills of the North rejoice



This week

Tuesday	10th Dec	09.15	Longshaw Carol Service
		19.30	Projects and Events Committee
Wednesday	11th Dec	11.30	Bible Study
		20.00	Advent Course (by Zoom)
Friday	13th Dec	10.00	Eucharist
Sunday	15th Dec	10.00	All-Age Eucharist
		17.30	Carol Service



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

Malachi 3.1-4

Thus says the Lord God: ¹See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight – indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. ²But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. ⁴Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Philippians 1.3-11

My brothers and sisters, ³I thank my God every time I remember you, ⁴constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, ⁵because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. ⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow

more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel

Luke 3.1-6

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

¹In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, ²during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. ³He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, ⁴as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.

⁵Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,
and the rough ways made smooth;

⁶**and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”**

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

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We do not take a collection during the service at St. Anne's as we have a Parish Giving scheme. However if you wish to make a contribution you will find a plate at the back of church and a card reader if you prefer to donate in that way. If you would like to join the **Parish Giving** scheme



please speak to Lindsey Archer or the church wardens. Also, scanning this QR code will provide information about the scheme and how you can make contributions if you wish.

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Ukraine and Eat or Heat - We are still collecting for both at the back of the church—children, toddler's and baby items are still very much needed as the war takes its toll on the people of Ukraine. As are long lasting food products and hygiene products for Eat or Heat.

December Advent events

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Advent course Wed 11th and 18th December by Zoom, 8.00pm

Longshaw carol service Tuesday 10th December 9.15am

Valentine Singers Christmas Concert 13th December 7.30pm Methodist church, The Drive, Ilford IG1 3PW—tickets from Lindsey.

Parish Carol Service Sunday 15th at 5.30pm

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We need readers for the Carol service—if you would like to read one of the lessons for the service—please have a word with Jude.

Carols at the Hatch - 10am Saturday 21st Dec

Christingle making - after the service on Sun 22nd Dec

Carols and Christingle at Heathlands Care home- 11am Monday 23rd Dec

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, 13th Joyce Sullivan, 15th Elizabeth Salen, 16th Nellie Thacker, 18th Sheila Birchnall, 19th Winifred White, Vera Humphreys, 21st Florence Palmer, 22nd Beryl Banks, 23rd Grace Skeggs, 24th Arthur Langsdon, 25th Gill Head, 26th Allan Taylor, Clarrie Mayhew, 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*