



17th November 2024
2nd Sunday Before Advent

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Notices

Christmas Bazaar

This annual event will take place on Saturday 30th November from 2.00 pm. Please speak to Rachel Martindill if you are able to help with the event, and leave any donations for sale in the boxes at the back of the church.

Contact Magazine

The new magazine will be here next Sunday. Many thanks to those who contributed items for inclusion and to all who have volunteered to help with distribution.



This Week

Morning Prayer is said at 8.30 am
Online: Mon, Wed
In the church: Tue, Thu, Fri

Mon 18th November Luke 18: 35 – 43
10.15 am Holy Communion,
The Old Rectory
7.00 pm Choir practice

Tue 19th November Luke 19: 1 – 10

Wed 20th November Luke 19: 11 – 28
12.00 noon Eucharist

Thu 21st November Luke 19: 41 – 44

Fri 22nd November Luke 19: 45 – 48
2.00 pm Funeral of Charles Barker,
St Paul's Chapel,
Exeter Crematorium
3.00 pm Service of Thanksgiving for
Charles Barker,
followed by refreshments

Sat 23rd November Luke 20: 27 – 40

Next Sunday: 24th November

Christ the King

John 18: 33 – 37
8.00 am Holy Communion
10.00 am Parish Eucharist
4.00 pm Baptism & Confirmation,
Exeter Cathedral

TODAY

6.00 pm Evening Prayer

10.00 am Music
Processional hymn 476
Offertory hymn 87
Recessional hymn 67

Music Setting: A New People's Mass (by Dom Gregory Murray)
Oft in Danger, Oft in Woe
Christ is Our Cornerstone
Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine

Sharing God's love through worship, fellowship and service

Collect

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading: Daniel 12: 1-3

In the third year of King Cyrus a word was revealed to Daniel. 'At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever.'

Second Reading: Hebrews 10: 11-14 & 19-25

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.

Gospel Reading: Mark 13: 1-8

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.'

Post-Communion Prayer

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.

