

**Parish Church of St Peter, Jersey**



**Mass for  
ADVENT THREE  
& the Eve of the Feast of St Lucy,  
Patron Saint of  
together with Newsletter 89  
12 Dec 2021**

## **+ The Order for today's Mass**

*The Priest welcomes the People & announces the hymn.*

### **Opening Hymn: 47 Hark a thrilling voice is sounding**

**Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding.  
"Christ is nigh," it seems to say;  
"Cast away the works of darkness,  
O ye children of the day."**

**Wakened by the solemn warning,  
let the earth-bound soul arise;  
Christ, her Sun, all sloth dispelling,  
shines upon the morning skies.**

**Lo! the Lamb, so long expected,  
comes with pardon down from heaven;  
let us all, with tears of sorrow,  
pray that we may be forgiven;**

**that when next he comes with glory,  
and the world is wrapped in fear,  
with his mercy he may shield us,  
and with words of love draw near.**

**Honor, glory, might, and blessing  
to the Father and the Son,  
with the everlasting Spirit,  
while eternal ages run.**

*The Priest announces the Intention of the Mass and then says:*

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

*The Priest says the **Collect for Purity:***

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

***Prayer of Confession:***

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought, word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your name. **Amen**

***The Priest pronounces The Absolution:***

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you + pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

***The Gloria in Excelsis is omitted during Advent***

***The Collect for Advent 3:***

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

***Collect for the Eve of the Feast of St Lucy***

O Loving God, for the salvation of all, you gave Jesus Christ as light to a world in darkness: illumine us, along with your daughter St Lucy with the light of Christ, that by the merits of his passion we may be led to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

***Zephaniah 3.14-end***

14 Sing aloud, O daughter Zion, O Israel!

Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem!

15 The Lord has taken away the judgements against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more.

16 On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak.

17 The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will

rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing

18 as on a day of festival. I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it.

19 I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

20 At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord. *(pause)*

This is the word of the Lord      **Thanks be to God**

### ***Philippians 4.4-7***

4.4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. 5 Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. *(pause)*

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### ***Gradual Hymn: 680 Thy kingdom come O Lord***

**Thy kingdom come, O God!**

**Thy rule, O Christ begin!**

**Break with thine iron rod  
the tyrannies of sin!**

**Where is thy reign of peace,  
and purity and love?**

**When shall all hatred cease,  
as in the realms above?**

**When comes the promised time  
that war shall be no more,  
oppression, lust, and crime  
shall flee thy face before?**

**We pray thee, Lord, arise,  
and come in thy great might;  
revive our longing eyes,  
which languish for thy sight.**

**Men scorn thy sacred Name,  
and wolves devour thy fold;  
by many deeds of shame  
we learn that love grows cold.**

**O'er heathen lands afar  
thick darkness broodeth yet:  
arise, O Morning Star,  
arise, and never set!**

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Luke:  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

***Luke 3.7-18***

3.7 John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? 8 Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. 9 Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.' 10 And the crowds asked him, 'What then should we do?' 11 In reply he said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.' 12 Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?' 13 He said to them, 'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.' 14 Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.'

15 As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, 16 John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

18 So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.     *(pause)*

This is the Gospel of the Lord     **Praise to you, O Christ.**

***The Sermon***

### ***The Intercessions***

*These are not printed out, so enjoy listening to the prayers for loved ones and make these prayers your own to God. The prayers end with:*

And so we join our prayers to those of all the Saints, as we say:

Merciful Father,

**Accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our saviour Jesus Christ.**

**Amen**

### ***The Peace:***

The Peace of the Lord be with you           **And also with you**

*(then, when the priest asks you to do so give each other a wave and a smile)*

### ***Hymn after the Peace: 469 O come, O come Emmanuel***

O come, O come, Emmanuel  
And ransom captive Israel  
That mourns in lonely exile here  
Until the Son of God appear  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Rod of Jesse, free  
Thine own from Satan's tyranny  
From depths of Hell Thy people save  
And give them victory o'er the grave  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Day-Spring, come and cheer  
Our spirits by Thine advent here  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
And death's dark shadows put to flight.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, Thou Key of David, come,  
And open wide our heavenly home;  
Make safe the way that leads on high,  
And close the path to misery.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

O come, O come, Thou Lord of might,  
Who to Thy tribes, on Sinai's height,  
In ancient times did'st give the Law,  
In cloud, and majesty and awe.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

***The Great Thanksgiving:***

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Lift up your hearts

**We lift them to the Lord**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

**It is right to give thanks and praise**

*The priest then says the Proper preface, at the climax of which, all join in by saying (at 0800) or singing (at 1030):*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest**

*The priest begins the **Prayer of Consecration**, in the middle of which he says:*

Great is the mystery of faith

**Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ will come again**

*The priest then completes the prayer, at the end of which all say: **Amen***

***The Lord's Prayer:***

Our Father, **who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name;**

**thy kingdom come;**

**thy will be done;**

**on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses,**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation;**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

***The Fraction:***

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ  
**Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread**

***The Sanctus:***

Lamb of God, **you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**  
Lamb of God, **you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.**  
Lamb of God, **you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.**

***The call to Holy Communion:***

Draw near and receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you. Take this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

***+All receive Communion in one kind only, namely the bread***

***Post Communion Hymn: 513 - On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry***

1. On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry  
Announces that the Lord is nigh;  
Awake, and hearken, for he brings  
Glad tidings of the King of kings!
  
2. Then cleansed be every breast from sin;  
Make straight the way for God within;  
Prepare we in our hearts a home  
Where such a mighty Guest may come.
  
3. For Thou art our Salvation, Lord,  
Our Refuge, and our great Reward.  
Without Thy grace we waste away,  
Like flowers that wither and decay.
  
4. Stretch forth thine hand, to heal our sore,  
And make us rise to fall no more;  
Once more upon thy people shine,  
And fill the world with love divine.

5. All praise, eternal Son, to Thee  
Whose advent sets Thy people free,  
Whom, with the Father, we adore,  
And Holy Ghost, forevermore.

***Post Communion Collect:***

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever. **Amen**

***'Thank-you prayer' after receiving Communion:***

Almighty God, **we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. Through Him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit, to live and work to your praise and glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

***The Blessing followed by the Dismissal:***

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord **In the name of Christ. Amen**

***Recessional Music ends the service-----***

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Norman & Rozelle Alexander; Samantha Buckingham; Anne Corbet; Ed; Elis; Jo English; Donald English; Audrey Gem; Val Hammett; Gerald Harrison; Peter Heath; Lester Huelin; Jay; Jack Johns; Jimmy; Fr Tony Keogh; Stephan Mauger; Sarah Michael; David Payne; Norman Perree; John Le Riche; Riley; John Le Sueur.

**PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED:** Pauline Kay-Butler; Angela Renouf.

***CHURCH OPEN week beginning 12 Dec, as follows:***

Sun **12 Dec ADVENT 3:** 0800 Mass; 1030 Sung Mass;  
1130-1600 open for Tree Festival viewing  
**1600 Christingle Service by Candlelight**

Mon 1200 The Angelus & Private Prayer until 1300

Wed 1000 Mass

Fri 1200 The Angelus & Private Prayer until 1300

Sun **19 Dec ADVENT 4:** 0800 Mass; 1030 Sung Mass;

***TEAM for ADVENT 3 morning (12<sup>th</sup> Dec):***

***0800 Reader – Sue J; 1030 Almoner – Mary K; Welcomer – RDeLaH ;  
Lector – Carol M; Flowers – None during Advent.***

***TEAM for ADVENT 4 morning (19<sup>th</sup> Dec):***

***0800 Reader – Ariel W; 1030 Almoner – Mary K; Welcomer – Jason L;  
Lector – Geoffrey G; Flowers – None during Advent.***

## **SPECIAL SERVICES AND EVENTS:**

28 Nov **ADVENT SUNDAY: 1600 Advent Carol Service by candlelight** (50mins)

### **CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 5-12 DEC:**

3-4 Dec Trees Set up days 10-1800

05 Dec **ADVENT 2 1600 Christmas Tree Festival 'Turning on the lights Service' by candlelight** (40mins), which is the start of the Christmas Tree Festival



06-11 Open each day 10-1800

12 **ADVENT 3 1600 Christmas Tree Festival 'Christingle Service' by candlelight** (40 mins), which concludes the Christmas Tree Festival.

13 Clear up Day 10-1800; 14 Clear up half day 10-1300

19 **ADVENT 4** 0800 Mass; 1030 Sung Mass

### 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE**

10-1530 Bell ringing by ancient custom

**1600 Family Crib Carol Service by Candlelight** (45mins)

17-1800 Bell ringing by ancient custom

22-2300 Bell ringing by ancient custom

2315 **Midnight Mass & Carols by Candlelight** (60 mins)

### 25 **CHRISTMAS DAY**

0930-1030 Bell ring by ancient custom

**1030 Family Mass with Carols** (45 mins)

1130-1500 Bell ring by ancient custom

### 26 **FEAST OF ST STEPHEN**

1030 Sung Mass with Carols (no 0800)

2 Jan **FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY** (observance)

0800 Mass; **0930 Epiphany Mass & Carols**



### 9 Jan **PLOUGH SUNDAY**

0800 Mass; 1030 Sung Mass with the Blessing of the Plough



### **HATS for SEAFARERS**

**Many thanks** to those who, knitted hats for the Mission to Seafarers, to be given to those who work upon the seas: There were a selection of designs. If you know of anyone else who might like to do this work and you want me to send copies of the patterns on to them, please just let me know their address. 37 were gifted at the SEA SUNDAY MASS in the summer, by a number of industrious individuals. **The hats that came in totalled 58 and were blessed during the 1600 'Switching on the Lights on all the Trees Service' on 5 Dec, which was on the Eve of the Feast of St Nicholas, Patron Saint of children and (appropriately) Sailors.** Fr M



**STAMPS FOR THE LEPROSY MISSION** Please save your used stamps especially in the approach to Christmas. Leave them attached to the small part of the envelope that they are on and either bring them to Church or bag them up and bring them to The Rectory. The Mission will be able to use the stamps to raise money for it's wonderful charity work amongst those who have Leprosy. **All the Stamps will be blessed on 12 Dec at the 1600 Christingle Service by Candlelight.** Fr M

**Daily Hope 0800 804 8044** – new Church of England **FREE** telephone line to hear hymns, daily prayers and reflections...do have a listen!

**TREES FOR THE CHURCHYARD:** We are going to plant 11 trees in the Church-yard, as some of the present specimens are coming to the end of their 'natural' and there are also some gaps that need plugging: would you like to donate one, perhaps in memory of a loved one or as a thanksgiving for a birth or marriage or....? Each sapling is approx £110 and includes the cost of preparing the ground and planting. The Rector, the two Church Wardens and the two Almoners are all giving one each, to 'show the way forward' in this 'green' further enhancement of the beautiful and much appreciated Churchyard. Please contact the Rector or a Church Warden or Almoner if you would like to donate a tree(s). Thank you.

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONCERN**

Thank you for the many cards, letters, emails, conversations and calls offering condolences and Prayers on the loss of my Father. It has really meant a lot to me. Thank you once again. Father Michael



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