



GUILDFORD
CATHEDRAL

Welcome

The Third Sunday of Advent

Sunday 15 December 2019

SUNDAY SCHOOL for 3-11 year olds takes place in the Library. There is a DIY crèche in the Exhibition Room (next to the Library) for under 3s.

HYMN BOOKS For services in the Nave, hymn books and Books of Common Prayer can be found behind the kneeler on the seat in front of you.

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP Coffee and tea and other refreshments available at the back of Seasons. No need to queue.

CHORAL SERVICES TODAY are sung by Guildford Cathedral Singers.

GIVING Regular worshippers are asked to join the Planned Giving Scheme. For more information please ask a Steward. Visitors and UK taxpayers are asked to use the Gift Aid envelope for their offering towards the work and worship of the Cathedral, or donate via the contactless donation box at the west end of the back of the Cathedral.

COMMUNITY If you would like to contact the clergy their details are on the back of the News Sheet. If you have been a regular at the Cathedral for six months or more, please ensure that your name is added to the Cathedral Community Roll – forms available from the Stewards.

NEWS SHEETS The last six editions can be viewed from the website <https://www.guildford-cathedral.org/news>

TODAY'S SERVICES

8am Holy Communion

PRESIDENT The Very Reverend Dianna Gwilliams

READINGS Isaiah 35.1-10; Matthew 11.2-11

9.45am The Cathedral Eucharist

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SETTING Missa Simile est regnum *Tomás Luis Vittoria (1548-1611)*

ADVENT PROSE

COLLECT

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**

OLD TESTAMENT Isaiah 35.1-10 read by Shirley-Margaret Lloyd

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not

travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

MAGNIFICAT in C – *Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

My soul doth magnify the Lord: and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded: the lowliness of his handmaiden.

For behold, from henceforth: all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations.
He hath shewed strength with his arm:
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat:
and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

NEW TESTAMENT James 5.7-10 read by Ann Bourne

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 11. 2-11



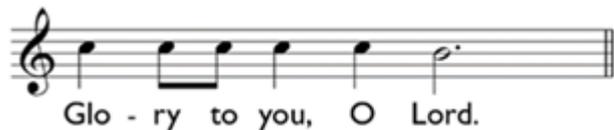
Choir Alleluia, alleluia.

All Alleluia, alleluia.

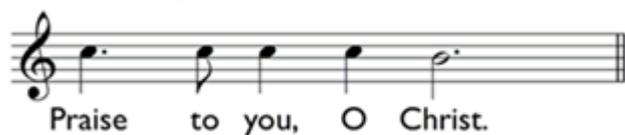
Choir The spirit of the Lord has been given to me.
He has sent me to bring good news to the poor.

All Alleluia, alleluia.

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



When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his* disciples and said to him, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.' As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.



All Alleluia, alleluia.

SERMON Canon Paul Smith

HYMN 591

MOTET Dixit Maria Leo Hassler (b.1951)

Dixit Maria ad angelum:

Ecce ancilla Domini,

fiat mihi secundum

verbum tuum.

Mary said to the Angel:

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord,

let it be done to me,

according to your word.

text: Luke 1:38

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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.

HYMN 31

ORGAN Toccata in B^b minor *Louis Vierne (1870-1937)*

11.30am Mattins *said with Hymns (Lady Chapel)*

HYMNS 36, 37

PSALM 68.1-19

READINGS Zephaniah 3.14-20; Philippians 4.4-7

ORGAN Fugue in G Minor (BWV 542ii) *Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)*

6pm Choral Evensong

HYMNS 34, 30(6ii), 38(omit *verses)

PSALM 12

RESPONSES *William Smith (1603-1645)*

CANTICLES Evening service in C *Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)*

READINGS Isaiah 5.8-end; Acts 13. 13-41

ANTHEM How beautiful upon the mountains *John Stainer (1840-1901)*

How beautiful upon the mountains
are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings,
that publisheth peace; that publisheth salvation;
that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth!

text: Isaiah 52.7

SERMON The Reverend Canon Dr Steve Summers

ORGAN Toccata on Veni Emmanuel *Andrew Carter (b.1939)*

PRAYER MATTERS

Those for whom prayers have been asked: Betty, Ben Edwards, Emma, Jessica, Nick, Sharon Luckey, Chris Phelan, Tim, Tony Vineall, David Woolsey, Charles Whiffin

Those who have died recently: Carol Roberts

Year's Mind: Percy Barber, Paul de Berker, Brian Burgess, Molly Davenport, David Tribe, Miep van Balen

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

MONDAY 16

8am Morning Prayer (said) Lady Chapel
8.30am Holy Communion (said) Lady Chapel
2.30pm Guildford County School Carol Service
5.30pm Evening Prayer (said) Lady Chapel

TUESDAY 17 • *O Sapientia;*

Eglantyne Jebb, Social Reformer, Founder of 'Save the Children', 1928

8am Morning Prayer (said) Lady Chapel
8.30pm Holy Communion (said) Lady Chapel
12pm Cathedral and Diocesan Staff Carol Service
5.30pm Evening Prayer (said) Lady Chapel
7.30pm Farnborough College Carol Service

WEDNESDAY 18 • *O Adonai*

8am Morning Prayer (said) Lady Chapel
8.30am Holy Communion (said) Lady Chapel
5.30pm Evening Prayer (said) Lady Chapel

THURSDAY 19 • *O Radix Jesse*

8am Morning Prayer (said) Lady Chapel
8.30am Holy Communion (said) Lady Chapel
11am Age UK Surrey Carol Service
5.30pm Choral Evensong

FRIDAY 20 • *O Clavis David*

8am Morning Prayer (said) Lady Chapel
8.30am Holy Communion (said) Lady Chapel
5.30pm Choral Evensong

SATURDAY 21 • *O Oriens*

8.40am Morning Prayer (said) Lady Chapel
9am Holy Communion (said) Lady Chapel
10am University of Surrey Orthodox Liturgy Lady Chapel
5pm Evening Prayer (said) Lady Chapel

NEXT SUNDAY 22 December Fourth Sunday of Advent

8am **Holy Communion** Lady Chapel

PRESIDENT Canon Paul Smith

READINGS Isaiah 7.10-16; Matthew 1.18-end

9.45am **The Cathedral Eucharist**

PRESIDENT Canon Paul Smith

PREACHER The Venerable Stuart Beake

READINGS Isaiah 7.10-16; Romans 1.1-7; Matthew 1.18-end

11.30am **Choral Mattins**

READINGS Micah 5.2-5a; Luke 1.26-38

6pm **A Service of Lessons and Carols** *Doors open at 5.30pm*

THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS AND EVENTS

TUESDAY 17

10am Cathedral Staff Meeting (Chapter House)

WEDNESDAY 18

10.30am Linkable Gardening Club (Grounds)

NOTICEBOARD

Prayer for Healing with anointing - During the Cathedral Eucharist

Prayer, laying on of hands and anointing is offered during the Cathedral Eucharist today. You may want prayer for healing for yourself or another person or you may have some other concern for which you would appreciate prayer. Anyone with any request is welcome. Please make your way to the Lady Chapel after you have received communion.

Cathedral Crib and Nativity Display

The Cathedral Crib has been designed by children in the Church Schools in our diocese. We are delighted to receive the wonderful characters created to help tell the story of the Nativity. Do bring your family and friends to admire this incredible display. We recommend that visitors check the Cathedral website at this busy time of year to avoid disappointment as access may be restricted.

The Cathedral Shop

Have you visited the Shop recently? The stock in the shop is constantly changing, with a wide variety of books, cards and gifts for you to delight your family and friends, or treat yourself! The shop is open today from 11am to 12.30pm, and Monday to Saturday from 9.30am to 4.30pm (10am Tuesday). Sharon and the team look forward to you visiting.

This Week in Seasons Café

Opening hours are Monday to Sunday from 9am to 4.30pm. As well as a lovely seasonal lunchtime menu, bookings are being taken for Christmas lunches – collect a menu from the café or contact Carla and the team on seasonscathedral@thetipsypigs.co.uk or telephone 01483 563 841. *On Sunday 22 December Seasons café will be open until 6pm before the Service of Lessons and Carols.*

Age UK Surrey Carol Service – Thursday 19 December 11.00am

We are delighted to be hosting Age UK again this year and look forward to welcoming all our guests from across the Diocese. Free coffee available from 10.15. If any members of the Cathedral community would be able to be part of the hospitality team that morning we'd really appreciate it. Please let Karen know if you can help at visit@guildford-cathedral.org or 01483 547 874.

Star of Wonder – from 15 to 18 January

We're very pleased that *Luxmuralis*, who brought 'Poppy Fields' to us at Remembrance 2018, will be returning in January with 'Star of Wonder'. This will be a stunning and immersive light and sound show making the best of our wonderful building. For a brief experience of what you can expect visit our website and click on the link to the video clip. <https://www.guildford-cathedral.org/news/2019/star-of-wonder-15-18-january>

Tickets for timed entrance will be necessary and can be purchased in advance (for a discount) or on the door, if available. Why not buy some tickets for family or friends as a Christmas present and book your slot at the same time? Advance tickets are £2.50 for accompanied under 16's and £5 for adults and on the door will be £3.50 and £7. Tickets available through the Cathedral box office.

Coins Scheme

Very generous donations have brought us on £300 or so from the £20,000 hurdle we passed in October. One donation, including a gold half-sovereign, has raised £145. Norway and Sweden have brought in £31. The Cathedral raises funds through this scheme, and welcomes donations of unwanted currency, foreign and British, no matter how old. The total raised since the launch in 2006 is £20,354, £1632 for this calendar year.

Safeguarding

Are you interested in joining our Safeguarding team? We are looking to appoint an Assistant to Mary Morris, our Cathedral Safeguarding Officer. If you are a regular member of the Sunday services, easily approachable and with a pastoral heart, this may be an opportunity for you. For more information please contact Mary at 07949 685 683 or safeguarding@guildford-cathedral.org or Matt O'Grady at 01483 547 864 or dops@guildford-cathedral.org

Urban Church Fund Campaign to help those living homeless

Magdalen Smith slept out all night out at Westminster Abbey on Friday as part of Church Urban Fund's campaign to raise money for those living cold, hungry and homeless on the streets of our cities. There is still time to add your support in this project please use the link below to go directly to her fundraising page. Thank you so much! Here is the direct link to your page:

<https://adventsleepoutchallenge2019.everydayhero.com/uk/magdalen-1>

Volunteer opportunities supporting our work with children

We welcome many school groups during term time and have a wonderful team of volunteers who would love a few more people to join them. In particular, next term we need additional volunteers for Wednesdays 12 and 26 February and 11 March. Full briefing and support is given and you will join a team of people who enjoy working with children and their teachers. Commitment is flexible with a choice of regular or one-off sessions. If you feel you might like to explore faith sharing with children then there are vacancies on the Sunday School team. Sunday School takes place three times a month during the Cathedral Eucharist. This is a dedicated team and they would also really welcome new members. For further information please speak to Julie Mitchell, our Volunteer Coordinator, on 01483 547885 or www.guildford-cathedral.org/About/Vacancies. Hope to hear from you soon.

A different way to make donations to the Cathedral

We have introduced a trial of a QR code to make donating to the Cathedral easier and more straightforward, especially for the growing number of us who don't carry cash. To use the QR code to make a donation use your camera (iPhones) or a QR reader app (Android). This will provide an additional method (alongside our contactless box and cash donations) to support our mission and ministry. Every gift will make a difference to our work – thank you!



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ADVENT CHRISTMAS and Epiphany

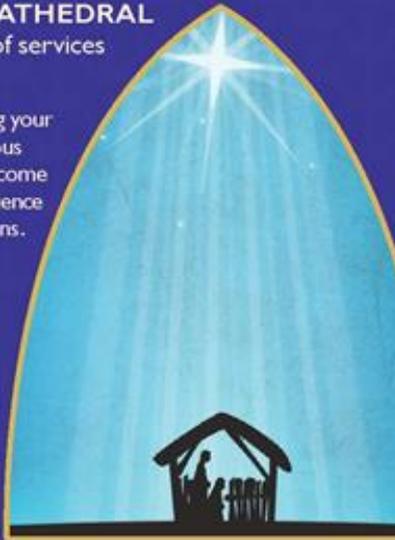
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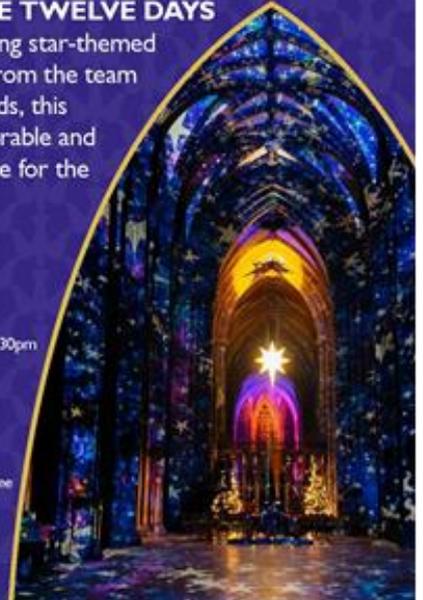
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CONTACTS

Cathedral Office

The Cathedral Office is open for callers from 10am to 2pm Monday to Friday. Enquiries to Lisa Hatherall, Administration Assistant 01483 547 860 or reception@guildford-cathedral.org

To contact a priest in an emergency please use the numbers below or phone Emma Law 01483 547 862 (Monday to Friday) or Virgers (Saturday, Sunday and holidays) 01483 547 877 or 07854 564 490

The Cathedral Clergy

are all equally available except on their rest day and can be contacted directly.

The Very Reverend Dianna Gwilliams (rest day – Saturday)

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The Venerable Stuart Beake

(h) 01483 893 981

The Reverend Canon Dr Paul Smith (rest day – Friday)

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The Reverend Canon Mavis Wilson (rest day – Monday)

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GUILDFORD CATHEDRAL is a place of prayer, reflection, work and celebration, held in particular affection by the many thousands of people who helped build it by buying a brick. There is much to offer to visitors and to those who are looking for a church community to call home. All regular weekday and Sunday services are open to all. The beautiful building and the excellent choral tradition contribute to making our Cathedral a place to which, once visited, you will want to return. As well as the rhythm of daily worship we maintain an exciting programme of arts, events, lectures, workshops, exhibitions and concerts.

The Cathedral is a centre for worship and mission to support the ministry of the Bishop in faith and engagement. The Cathedral is a sacred space and an open community of people who together engage with God and the wider world, for the common good. It is a focus and resource for the whole community: a place of daily choral worship, a space for stillness and prayer, a place of pilgrimage and a venue for concerts, art and education.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Special Services

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