

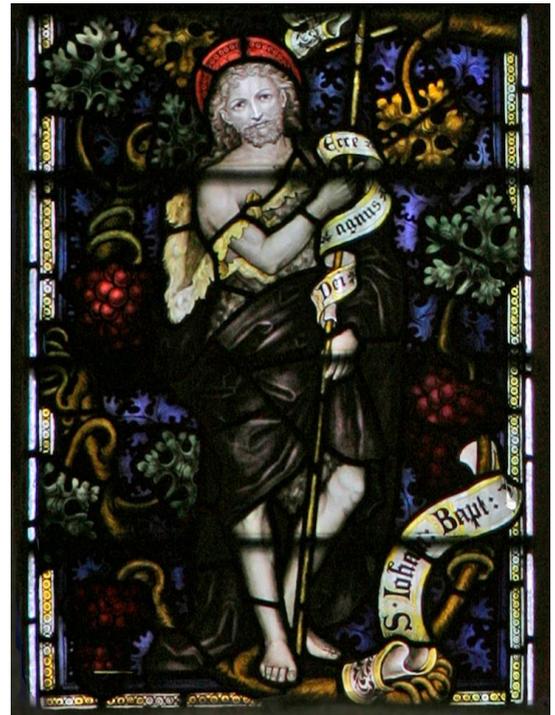


# Second Sunday of Advent 4<sup>th</sup> December

## Choral Communion

Missa 'Collegium Regale' - Howells

Hymn 34	On Jordan's bank	
Isaiah 11. 1-10		Graham Jones
Romans 15. 4-13		Nick Hassell
Hymn 28	Hark, what a sound!	
Matthew 3. 1-12		Val Mort
Sermon		The Vicar
Intercessions		Mary Penny
Hymn 516 (2 <sup>nd</sup> T)	Love Divine	
Communion	How beautiful upon the mountains –	Stainer
Hymn 29	Hills of the north, rejoice	
Organ	Postlude 'Little Cornard' –	Bullard



## THE NOTICES

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**9.00 am** Tuning of Organs  
**7.00 pm** Police, Fire & Rescue Carols

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> (Nicholas)**  
**11.00 am** Morning Prayer on Zoom

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> (Ambrose)**  
**9.30** Wheatcroft Rehearsal  
**7.00 pm** Wheatcroft Carols

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> (Conception of BVM)**  
**11.00 am** Holy Communion  
**12.00 noon** R Hale set-up  
**7.30 pm** Concert by Richard Hale

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> (Ember Day)**  
**5.30 pm** Choir Practices

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> (Ember Day)**  
**3.00 pm** Open Tower  
**4.30 pm** Eastern District Bellringers  
 Association Carol Service

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday of Advent**  
**10.00 am** Parish Communion  
**6.30 pm** Choral Evensong

## THE PRAYERS

**The Sick**  
 Nerine Chalmers Rosemary Graves  
 Sheila Pettman

**The Departed**  
 Jean Eyre Rev Bill Kemm

**Year's Mind**  
 Dora Davey Harry Beale  
 Phyllis Froude

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**LESSONS**  
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**CAROLS**

**SUNDAY 18 DECEMBER 2022**  
 (Forth Sunday of Advent: 7.00pm)

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### 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

### Isaiah 11.1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stock of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.  
<sup>2</sup> The spirit of the LORD shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.  
<sup>3</sup> His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.  
  
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;  
<sup>4</sup> but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.  
<sup>5</sup> Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.  
  
<sup>6</sup> The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.  
<sup>7</sup> The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.  
<sup>8</sup> The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's  
den.  
<sup>9</sup> They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.  
  
<sup>10</sup> On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to  
the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his  
dwelling shall be glorious

### Romans 15.4-13

For whatever was written in former days was written for  
our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the  
encouragement of the scriptures we might have  
hope.<sup>5</sup> May the God of steadfastness and  
encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one  
another, in accordance with Christ Jesus,<sup>6</sup> so that  
together you may with one voice glorify the God and  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup> Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has  
welcomed you, for the glory of God.<sup>8</sup> For I tell you that  
Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on  
behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm  
the promises given to the patriarchs,<sup>9</sup> and in order that  
the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is  
written,

'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,  
and sing praises to your name';  
<sup>10</sup> and again he says,  
'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people';  
<sup>11</sup> and again,  
'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples praise him';  
<sup>12</sup> and again Isaiah says,  
'The root of Jesse shall come,  
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him the Gentiles shall hope.'

<sup>13</sup> May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in  
believing, so that you may abound in hope by the  
power of the Holy Spirit.

### Matthew 3.1-12

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the  
wilderness of Judea, proclaiming,<sup>2</sup> 'Repent, for the  
kingdom of heaven has come near.'<sup>3</sup> This is the one of  
whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,  
'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.''<sup>4</sup>  
<sup>4</sup> Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather  
belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild  
honey.<sup>5</sup> Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea  
were going out to him, and all the region along the  
Jordan,<sup>6</sup> and they were baptized by him in the river  
Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>7</sup> But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees  
coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of  
vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to  
come? <sup>8</sup> Bear fruit worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup> Do not  
presume 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. <sup>10</sup> 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.

<sup>11</sup> 'I baptize you with water for repentance, but one  
who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not  
worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the  
Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup> His winnowing-fork is in his hand, and  
he will clear his threshing-floor and will gather his wheat  
into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with  
unquenchable fire.'

### Post Communion Collect

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.