



# 4th Sunday of Advent Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2021

## Parish Communion

Setting: *Mathias*

- Organ (Variations on tune of Hymn 243) – *Dandrieu*
- Introit The Angel Gabriel – *arr. Pettman*
- Hymn 38 The people that in darkness sat
- Micah 5. 2-5a Verity Tranter
- Hebrews 10. 5-10 Diana Warburton
- Hymn 243 The God, earth and sea and sky
- Luke 1. 39-45 Andrew Belfield
- Sermon The Vicar
- Intercessions Leon Ajao
- Hymn 238 For Mary, mother of our Lord (omit \*\*vv)
- Communion There is no rose – *Skempton*
- Hymn 362 tell out, my soul
- Organ Toccata: O come, O come – *Carter*



## THE NOTICES

All Saints Welcomes Everyone

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SERVICE OF  
**LESSONS**  
AND  
**CAROLS**

**SUNDAY 19 DECEMBER 2021**  
**6.30 pm**

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### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day

10.00 am Family Eucharist for Christmas

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> First Sunday of Christmas

10.00 am Parish Communion with Hymns

## THE PRAYERS

Beth Aldridge and Ashley Grace married here yesterday

### *The Sick*

All affected by Covid

### *The Departed*

Doreen Brown  
David Mort

Mark Bartlett

### Monday 20<sup>th</sup>

2.00 pm Funeral of Doreen Brown

7.00 pm Abel Smith Carol Service

### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>

11.00 am Morning Prayer on Zoom

### Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve

4.00 pm Blessing of Christmas Crib

11.30 pm First Communion of Christmas

## Collect

God our redeemer,  
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to be the mother of your Son:  
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our  
saviour,  
so we may be ready to greet him  
when he comes again as our judge;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

## Micah 5. 2-5a

<sup>2</sup> But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah,  
who are one of the little clans of Judah,  
from you shall come forth for me  
one who is to rule in Israel,  
whose origin is from of old,  
from ancient days.  
<sup>3</sup> Therefore he shall give them up until the time  
when she who is in labour has brought forth;  
then the rest of his kindred shall return  
to the people of Israel.  
<sup>4</sup> And he shall stand and feed his flock in the  
strength of the LORD,  
in the majesty of the name of the LORD his  
God.  
And they shall live secure, for now he shall be  
great  
to the ends of the earth;  
<sup>5</sup> and he shall be the one of peace.

If the Assyrians come into our land  
and tread upon our soil,  
we will raise against them seven shepherds  
and eight installed as rulers.

## Hebrews 10. 5-10

Consequently, when Christ came into the  
world, he said,  
'Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired,  
but a body you have prepared for me;  
<sup>6</sup> in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings  
you have taken no pleasure.  
<sup>7</sup> Then I said, "See, God, I have come to do  
your will, O God"  
(in the scroll of the book it is written of me).'  
<sup>8</sup> When he said above, 'You have neither  
desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and  
offerings and burnt-offerings and sin-offerings'  
(these are offered according to the  
law), <sup>9</sup> then he added, 'See, I have come to  
do your will.' He abolishes the first in order to  
establish the second. <sup>10</sup> And it is by God's will  
that we have been sanctified through the

offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for  
all.

## Luke 1. 39-45

In those days Mary set out and went with  
haste to a Judean town in the hill  
country, <sup>40</sup> where she entered the house of  
Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. <sup>41</sup> When  
Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child  
leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled  
with the Holy Spirit <sup>42</sup> and exclaimed with a  
loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of your womb. <sup>43</sup> And  
why has this happened to me, that the mother  
of my Lord comes to me? <sup>44</sup> For as soon as I  
heard the sound of your greeting, the child in  
my womb leapt for joy. <sup>45</sup> And blessed is she  
who believed that there would be a fulfilment  
of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

[<sup>46</sup> And Mary said,  
'My soul magnifies the Lord,  
<sup>47</sup> and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,  
<sup>48</sup> for he has looked with favour on the  
lowliness of his servant.  
Surely, from now on all generations will call  
me blessed;  
<sup>49</sup> for the Mighty One has done great things for  
me,  
and holy is his name.  
<sup>50</sup> His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.  
<sup>51</sup> He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts  
of their hearts.  
<sup>52</sup> He has brought down the powerful from  
their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;  
<sup>53</sup> he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.  
<sup>54</sup> He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
<sup>55</sup> according to the promise he made to our  
ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants for  
ever.']

## Post Communion Collect

Heavenly Father,  
who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to be the mother of the promised saviour:  
fill us your servants with your grace,  
that in all things we may embrace your holy  
will  
and with her rejoice in your salvation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.