



All Saints Church, Kingston-upon-Thames

The Ancient Parish Church of Kingston

3 December 2023 (1st Sunday of Advent)

You are very welcome to All Saints Church for this Sung Eucharist.

The Celebrant is the Vicar, Revd Joe Moffatt and the Preacher is Revd Sarah Williams.

The service is filmed and broadcast on our YouTube channel. Please sit in the back three rows if you want to avoid being filmed.

Please stay for refreshments in the east end of the church after the service and do remember to keep your belongings with you at all times.

<u>Hymns:</u>	3	Come, thou long expected Jesus
	6	Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes
	11	O come, O come, Emmanuel
	9	Lo! He comes with clouds descending

Introit

The Advent Prose (v.1)

Be not wroth very sore, O Lord, neither remember iniquity for ever: thy holy cities are a wilderness, Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation: our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee.

Mass Setting

Vaughan Williams *Mass in G*

Collect:

Almighty God,
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness
and to put on the armour of light,
now in the time of this mortal life,
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great
humility; that on the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
through him who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Motet:

Palestrina ‘*Canite tuba*’
Canite tuba in Sion,
quia prope est dies
Domini.
Ecce veniet ad salvandum
nos.
Erunt prava in directa,
et aspera in vias planas:
Veni, Domine, et noli
tardare.
Alleluia.

*Blow the trumpet in
Zion,
for the day of the Lord
is nigh. Lo, He comes
to our salvation.
The crooked shall be
made straight, and the
rough ways plain.
Come, Lord, and do not
delay. Alleluia.*

Readings:**1 Corinthians 1: 3-9**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Mark 13:24-end

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

Post Communion Collect:

O Lord our God,
make us watchful and keep us faithful
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;
that, when he shall appear,
he may not find us sleeping in sin
but active in his service
and joyful in his praise;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

News and Events

Weekly Eco-tip

Recycle all batteries at a large supermarket.

Advent Carol Service – Join us for the Advent Carol Service today at 6pm.

Bereavement Café - this is a space to talk about bereavement and to find mutual support and encouragement from others who understand the experience of loss. No booking necessary. **Every other Wednesday** 2.00 - 3.30 pm at All Saints Church. **Next session on Dec 6th**. Flyers are available in the church with further details.

Advent Carol Service – join us for a wonderful candlelit service to start the season of Advent on Sunday 3rd December at 6pm.

Advent Discussion Group – Sarah Williams is running an advent discussion group beginning Wed 6th Dec for 3 weeks 10:30-12noon in the Heritage Gallery. The discussions will be based on the book 'The Art of Advent' by Jane Williams, copies of which are available from the church shop, all are welcome. For further information or to sign up please contact sarah@allsaintskingston.co.uk

Leaders needed for Children's Church could you help lead our Sunday morning sessions? Training, resources and support provided. Once every 5-6 weeks. If interested please talk to libbylazenby@googlemail.com or Eithne eifray@btinternet.com

All Saints Choir on the Market Stage – the choir will be carol singing in Kingston Market place on Dec 6th at 6:30pm for 50 minutes. Show your support and join family and friends for this festive evening. There will be a collection in aid of Kingston Action on Homelessness.

Youth Café - this runs from 4-5pm every Sunday in term-time in the church café. It's open to all Young People aged 11-18.

Carol Singing at The Bishop (the riverside pub) – this will be on Wednesday Dec 20th 7pm-9pm and is a carol sing-along led by Joe, all welcome and bring friends! Come and have a very merry time! There will be a collection in aid of Kingston Food Bank.

Lunchtime music at All Saints - the last lunchtime concert of 2023 will be held on 18th December and is at 1.15pm with Stephen Westrop (organ).

Action on CoP28 - the annual UN Climate Change conference starts on 30th Nov in the United Arab Emirates. The Church of England are sending a global delegation and are encouraging us to get involved. You are invited to join the Eco-Church group in making placards to express your feelings regarding climate justice after the 9.30am service today. A church group will also attend the CoP28 Global Day of Action on 9th December, arranged in the UK by the Climate Justice Coalition, which includes Christian Aid. For more information, please speak to Graham: grahamnashm@btinternet.com

Postponed - Living Library with Champions for Change – this event has been postponed until early in the New Year.

Dialogue Society – invites you to an afternoon tea in the church on Thursday 7th December at 2:30pm. This years theme is ' Peace and Unity'.

Singers & Musicians needed – all abilities welcome! – Carol singing and fundraising for Christian Aid on Wednesday 13 December 5-6pm in Clarence Street. Meet at the United Reformed Church, Eden Street from 4.30pm.

Eclipse Choir Winter Concert – join Eclipse Choir in the church for their winter concert on Friday 8th December at 7:30pm. Please visit their website and follow links to book tickets: eclipsechoir.com

Help needed with Christmas Trees - please could Liz have help to erect and put lights on 15 trees for the Christmas Tree Festival from 4-6pm on Thursday 7th Dec. Many hands make light work. Thank you. Liz Deller. lizdeller@icloud.com.

Christmas Tree Festival – will be launched on Saturday 9th Dec at 10:30am by the Mayor of Kingston, who will be joined by Euphonix Choir. All welcome to this popular event which runs to the 3rd January.

Services This Week:

Tues Holy Communion at 12 noon

Wed

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Choral Evensong at 5:30pm

Thurs

Holy Communion at 12 noon

Destress Meditation at 5:30pm

Sunday

Holy Communion at 8am

Choral Eucharist at 9:30am

Requiem Choral Evensong at 6pm

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