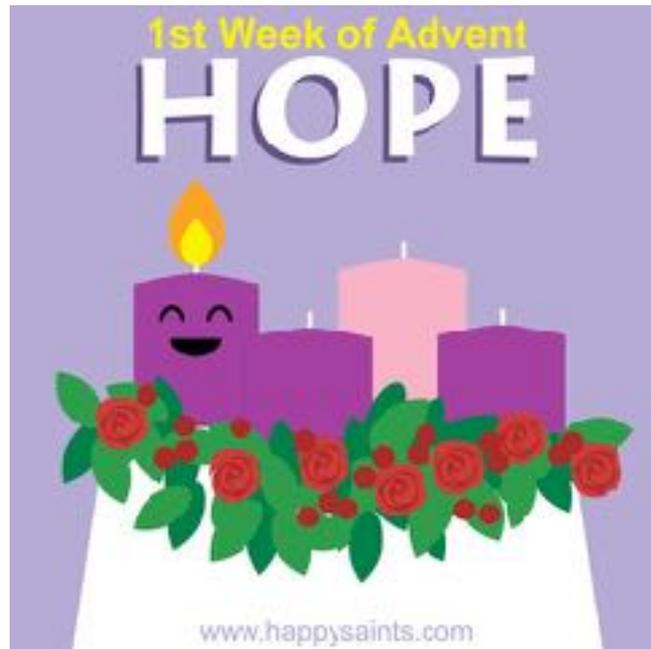


Parish Eucharist

November 28th 2021

Advent Sunday

10am



Welcome on behalf of the community of St. John's Church

St. John's seeks to be an inclusive church community where all are welcomed and valued, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender or sexuality.

This is an unusual time for the Church. As lockdown restrictions are lifted some of us are gathering in church and some are watching the service at home. However, as the Body of Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit we are united in fellowship with one another and with the whole company of heaven.

Whether you are reading this on your own or following along on the live-stream we are delighted to welcome you.

Today we welcome the Rev David Jones to preside and Susi Artis, Minister to preach

Please stand for our opening hymn

Hymn

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 Desire of nations show,
Thy Kingly reign on earth below
Thou Cornerstone uniting all
Restore the ruin of our fall
Rejoice! Rejoice Emmanuel
Shall come to thee O Israel

THE GREETING and INTRODUCTION

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

Amen

This is the day that the Lord has made.

All **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Words of welcome

The Lighting of the First Advent Candle

A prayer is said:

Blessed are you, sovereign Lord, God of our ancestors:
to you be praise and glory for ever.

You called the patriarchs to live by the light of faith
and to journey in the hope of your promised fulfilment.
May we be obedient to your call
and be ready and watchful to receive your Christ,
a lamp to our feet and a light to our path;
for you are our light and our salvation.
Blessed be God for ever.

Prayers of Penitence

A voice cries out in the wilderness,
'Make straight the way of the Lord.'
So let us listen, and turn to the Lord in penitence and faith.

cf. John 1.23

Lord, you came to gather the nations to yourself,
Come to bring us peace Lord,
the peace of your Kingdom.

**Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison,
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison,**

(tr. Lord, have mercy)

Lord, you came among us to suffer for our sins.
Give us your forgiveness
and grant to us life.

**Christe eleison, Christe eleison,
Christe eleison, Christe eleison,**

(tr. Christ, have mercy)

You will come in glory to call us back to life.
Judge us with your mercy,
compassion and love.

**Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison,
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison**

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.

Please remain standing as we say the Collect

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

Please sit for the readings

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

THE FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

SECOND READING: 1THESSALONIANS 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

This is the Word of the Lord

All **Thanks be to God.**

We stand for the Gospel.

The Lord be with you,

and also with you

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you O Lord

THE GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-36

'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.'

'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

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

Please be seated.

SERMON

Please stand to affirm our faith

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

All **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

All **We believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?

All **We believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

All **This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

Please sit or kneel for our intercessions

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray for the world and the Church, and thank God for his goodness.

Lord, in your mercy

All **Hear our prayer**

After the prayer for those who have died:

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord

All **and let light perpetual shine upon them.**

The prayers may conclude with:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou amongst women

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.

All **Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen**

Merciful Father,

All **accept these prayers**

for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

We stand for the Peace.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

THE PEACE

In the tender mercy of our God,
the dayspring from on high shall break upon us,
to give light to those who dwell in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

cf Luke 1.78,79

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Hymn

I cannot tell why he, whom angels worship,
should set his love upon the sons of men,
or why, as Shepherd, he should seek the wanderers,
to bring them back, they know not how or when.
But this I know, that he was born of Mary,
when Bethlehem's manger was his only home,
and that he lived at Nazareth and laboured,
and so the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is come.

I cannot tell how silently he suffered,
as with his peace he graced this place of tears,
or how his heart upon the cross was broken,
the crown of pain to three and thirty years.
But this I know, he heals the broken-hearted,
and stays our sin, and calms our lurking fear,
and lifts the burden from the heavy laden,
for yet the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is here.

I cannot tell how all the lands shall worship,
when, at his bidding, every storm is stilled,
or who can say how great the jubilation
when all the hearts of men with love are filled.
But this I know, the skies will thrill with rapture,
and myriad, myriad human voices sing,
and Earth to Heaven, and Heaven to Earth, will answer:
Jesus the Saviour, Saviour of the world, is King!

The Eucharistic Prayer

Wise and gracious God,
You spread a table before us;
Nourish your people with the word of
life
And the bread of heaven
Amen

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**
Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Almighty God, good Father to us all,
your face is turned towards your world.
In love you gave us Jesus your Son
to rescue us from sin and death.
Your Word goes out to call us home
to the city where angels sing your praise.
We join with them in heaven's song:

All **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.
Please sit or kneel

Father of all, we give you thanks for every gift that comes from heaven.
To the darkness Jesus came as your light.
With signs of faith and words of hope
he touched untouchables with love and washed the guilty clean.
This is his story.

All **This is our song:**
Hosanna in the highest.

The crowds came out to see your Son,
yet at the end they turned on him.
On the night he was betrayed
he came to table with his friends
to celebrate the freedom of your people.
This is his story.

All **This is our song:**
Hosanna in the highest.

Jesus blessed you, Father, for the food;
he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said:
This is my body, given for you all.
Jesus then gave thanks for the wine;
he took the cup, gave it and said:
This is my blood, shed for you all
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this in remembrance of me.
This is our story.

All **This is our song:**
Hosanna in the highest.

Therefore, Father, with this bread and this cup
we celebrate the cross
on which he died to set us free.
Defying death he rose again
and is alive with you to plead for us and all the world.
This is our story.

All **This is our song:
Hosanna in the highest.**

Send your Spirit on us now
that by these gifts we may feed on Christ
with opened eyes and hearts on fire.
May we and all who share this food
offer ourselves to live for you
and be welcomed at your feast in heaven
where all creation worships you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All **Blessing and honour and glory and power
be yours for ever and ever.
Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All **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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Agnus Dei we sing

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.

Invitation to Holy Communion

Draw near with faith.
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ
which he gave for you,
and his blood which he shed for you.
Eat and drink
in remembrance that he died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts
by faith with thanksgiving.

Today we invite you to gather around the altar to receive the sacrament. Please maintain a distance of 1 metre between each other. If you would rather not join the circle please stand by your chair and the Minister will bring the sacrament to you.

Remain seated if you do not wish to receive the sacrament.

Please remain in the circle until all have received

If you are making a spiritual communion (i.e. not receiving in person) you may wish to say the prayer below:

[In union, O Lord with the faithful at every altar of your Church,
where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated,
I desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving.
I present to you my soul and body with the wish
that they may always be united to you.
And since I cannot now receive you in this sacrament,
I ask you to come spiritually into my heart.
I unite myself to you, and embrace you with all the affections of my soul.
Let nothing ever separate you from me.
May I live and die in your love. Amen.]

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

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

Almighty God,
All **we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son 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. Amen.**

NOTICES

Hymn

**Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand, thousand saints attending,
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
God appears on earth to reign.**

**Every eye shall now behold him
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at naught and sold him,
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,
Deeply wailing, deeply wailing, deeply wailing,
Shall the true Messiah see.**

**Those dear tokens of his passion
Still his dazzling body bears;
Cause of endless exultation
To his ransomed worshippers;
With what rapture, with what rapture, with what rapture
Gaze we on those glorious scars!**

**Yea amen, let all adore thee
High on thine eternal throne
Saviour, take the power and glory,
Claim the kingdom for thine own.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou shalt reign and thou alone.**

Dismissal for Advent Sunday

With love and compassion,
come, Lord Jesus.

With judgement and mercy,
come, Lord Jesus.

In power and glory,
come, Lord Jesus.

In wisdom and truth,
come, Lord Jesus.

Blessing

May God the Father, judge all-merciful,
make us worthy of a place in his kingdom.

Amen.

May God the Son, coming among us in power,
reveal in our midst the promise of his glory.

Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit make us steadfast in faith,
joyful in hope and constant in love.

Amen.

and the blessing of God Almighty,
✠ the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
be upon you and remain with you always.

Amen.

As we await our coming Saviour,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ.

Amen.

Do stay and join us for coffee after the service. Alternatively join us for coffee on Zoom at 12.00

NOTICES



Our grateful thanks to Thompson Brothers Greengrocer Haydn Road who kindly donated the **Christmas Tree** for our **Advent Celebration**. Thank you to everyone who helped and supported and made this event possible.

Services and upcoming events

Christmas Services

Carol Service Sunday 19th December 4.30pm

Crib Service with Christingles 24th December 4pm

Midnight Mass 24th December 11.30

Christmas Morning Parish Eucharist 10am

There will be no service on Sunday 26th December

Monday 29 th November 6pm	Evening Prayer Zoom Meeting ID 584 255 2248
Wednesday 30 th November 11.00 12.00-1.0	Zoom coffee HTTPS://us02web.zoom.us/j/83660786270 Password 2020 Carrington Community Cafe

<p>Sunday 5th December</p> <p>10am</p> <p>12.00</p>	<p>Parish Eucharist In person and live streamed on You Tube</p> <p>Zoom coffee https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83660786270 password 2020</p>
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