

Weekly Notices



Second Sunday of Advent 6th December 2020

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. **Amen**

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First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-11

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

A voice cries out: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

A voice says, "Cry out!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field.

The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass.

The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand forever.

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings, lift it up, do not fear; say to the cities of Judah, "Here is your God!"

See, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.

He will feed his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms, and carry them in his bosom, and gently lead the mother sheep.

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Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-15a

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day.

The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance.

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of persons ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire?

But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation. So also our beloved brother Paul wrote to you according to the wisdom given him.

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The Gospel according to St. Mark 1:1-8

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way; the voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'"

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptised by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.

He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals.

I have baptised you with water; but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit."

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*NB: Fridays are to be adopted as a
'Rest Day'*

Sunday Worship will resume from Sunday 6th December @9:15am:

We strongly advise that face coverings should be worn by all those attending a place of worship, including ministers, worshippers, staff, volunteers, contractors and visitors, where there may be other people present; remembering that they are mainly intended to protect other people, not the wearer, from coronavirus COVID-19 and that they are not a replacement for physical distancing and regular hand washing. **You are kindly reminded that people must not sit in groups of more than six when attending any services in church.**

Post Communion Prayer:

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. **Amen**

Midweek worship –Tuesdays at 8.30am on Zoom

We will continue to meet for Morning Prayer on Zoom:

- Tuesdays: **Morning Prayer (Common Worship)** on Facebook Live on the St Mylor Church Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/stmylorchurch>
- please let **Rev'd Amanda** know if you would like to join in so we can send you the details.

Advent Book Group – Wednesdays 9th & 16th December & Monday 21st at 7.30pm

This year we are going to be coming together to read and reflect on Stephen Cottrell's book **Walking Backwards to Christmas** which tells the Christmas Story through the eyes of various key characters through the Bible.

Please let a Rev'd Amanda or a churchwarden know if you would like to join.

Advent & Christmas

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Sunday 20th December
Service of Lessons & Carols
Online via Zoom @6.30pm

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Thursday 24th December
Messy Church
Christingle in a Bag
Online via Zoom @4pm
&

Christmas Eve
Holy Eucharist &
Blessing of the Crib @6pm
(Ticketed Event)

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Friday 25th December
Christmas Day
Said Mass @9.30am
(Ticketed Event)

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Weekly Prayer

Intentions:

Mission and Ministry of this Parish:

For those living and working in Penryn and surrounding villages. For the parish of St. Gluvias and a growth in our congregation.

For the homeless in our parish and throughout the country. For those that rely on the support of the Foodbank.

For the World:

We pray for victims of terrorism the world over; for all affected by atrocities around the world. Particularly for persecuted Christians.

For deliverance from Coronavirus and those communities impacted by COVID-19 throughout the world. We pray for the healthcare workers who are caring for them, as well as civil authorities and all those involved in assisting patients and in containing the spread of the virus.

We continue to pray for the people across Syria who have suffered for so long and continue to suffer. For those fleeing violence and oppression. For all exploited by people smugglers and for refugees across the world. For an end to the violence in Gaza and Israel. For those affected by natural disasters around the world. Help us to value the environment so that we can all work to reverse climate change and global warming.

For those suffering in mind, body or spirit especially: Geoffrey Philpott, Christine Martin, Edna Lytle, Kevin Jose, Rob Coward, Ruby Jeffrey, Joan Wood, Maria Strachan, David Lydford, Annie Firth, Gillian Cable, Keith Parry, David Kelland and Chris.

Recently departed: Betty Drew RIP, Rev'd Robbie Bowen RIP

Those who years mind: Katie Julian, Bessie Thomas, James Godfrey Edwards, Reg Voit (6th), Pauline Davis (9th), Thomas Perkins (10th), David Sanders (11th) and Bert Thomas (12th).

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In the diocese cycle of prayer: HUMAN RIGHTS

World Human Rights Day is observed every year on 10 December

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which has given people rights that we as human beings are entitled to, regardless of race, religion, gender, sexuality, language, background and opinions. We pray for justice and freedom for all those whose human rights are ignored. We pray your blessing and strength for all those who stand up for human rights across the world. **Amen**

Anglican Communion: The Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain (ExtraProvincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury), + Carlos López-Lozano - Bishop of Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church

A prayer during Advent:

As you have given the message of hope and comfort to your people in all ages, fill the Church with zeal to proclaim the Gospel of Christ. Make your people, sealed by baptism and the Holy Spirit, to be one in your Kingdom.

We pray for those who have come out of the wilderness into new life. Look upon them with the eyes of mercy, counting them righteous not for their merit but through the love of Christ. **Amen**

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A free phone line of hymns, reflections and prayers.
<https://www.churchofengland.org/news-and-media/news-and-statements/archbishop-canterbury-launches-free-dial-worship-phone-line>



NB: Please inform Jason of any notices for the pew sheet by noon on Thursday