Weekly Notices



The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday 24 December 2023
-Sung Eucharist at 10am
Rev'd Emma Durose

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. **Amen**.

A reading from the Second book of Samuel

Now when the king was settled in his house, and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him,

the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent."

Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind; for the LORD is with you." But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan:

Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the LORD: Are you the one to build me a house to live in?

I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle.

Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?"

Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel;

and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.

And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly,

from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies.

Moreover the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house.

Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

A reading from the Epistle of Paul to the Romans

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages

but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith --

to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen

The Gospel of Luke

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary.

And he came to her and said, "Greetings, favoured one! The Lord is with you."

But she was much perplexed by his words and pondered what sort of greeting this might be.

The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God. And now, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you will name him Jesus.

He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his ancestor David.

He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end."

Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I am a virgin?"

The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God.

And now, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month for her who was said to be barren.

For nothing will be impossible with God "

Then Mary said, "Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

Post Communion Prayer:

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. **Amen**



Weekly Worship

There will be no midweek communion services other than Midnight Mass and Christmas Morning.

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Christmas Eve 'Midnight Mass' Sung Eucharist @ 11.30pm

Christmas Day Said Eucharist @ 9.30am

The Warm Hub

As some of you may know, our Warm Hub in the Hall, was not a success in the winter/spring. As there is money left for that purpose, Jenny and I have met with Cllr Mary May from the Town Council, and it was agreed that we could work jointly together. The Council will provide and heat the Temperance Hall, whilst we will provide the food and drink.

After a further meeting, it has been agreed to start the Warm Hub on Tuesday 2nd January and it will run from 12 -2 pm serving simple, snack lunches. The food for the snack lunches will be paid by the money left from the spring.

It was suggested that it would need only 3/4 people weekly and for it to be; the council first week followed by the Hall the next week, then carrying on in that fashion. This means that there are 2 weeks breaks for both groups. However this is flexible, with church and council members mixing if necessary.

There will be a menu, which will be followed by both groups.

If any of you are able to help, please let me or Jenny know. Our first meal will be Tuesday 9th January and your time given will be from 11.15 - 2.30

With best wishes Annie

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 and for persecuted Christians.

We pray for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders.

We call upon you to show mercy to the people Israel and Palestine and protect them.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.

We continue to pray for all people fleeing violence and oppression. For all exploited by people smugglers and for refugees across the world.

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.

In the diocese cycle of prayer: CHRISTMAS PRAYER

Almighty and ever giving God, Thank you for sharing Jesus with your uncertain and messy world. Help us to hear again the challenge that he brings, And to be worthy of the call that he makes; That our comfort and joy might come from serving you And loving your world. Amen...and Happy Christmas!

Bishop Hugh Nelson, Bishop of St Germans

Anglican Communion:

Advent 4 - The Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

On the **First Sunday of the month** at **4pm**, Rev'd Emma will be running a Zoom Service, for people who are housebound or struggling to get to regular church services. If you know of anyone who would value attending, a small, friendly and supportive service of 30 mins, please let the Rev'd Emma know, so that she might visit them beforehand to help explain how to connect.

Next Service: 7th January @4pm

Prayers for the 4th Sunday in Advent Let us pray to the Lord who has brought salvation to all who will hear his word.

Bless all the places where your people meet for worship, but keep us from valuing them more highly that the knowledge that you are present everywhere...Grant us the faith and trust that was in Mary, to be always ready to receive the word.

By the Holy Spirit who came to Mary, bring peace and good will among all the nations...Lead the rulers of this world to acknowledge your lordship and to exercise their power in the obedience of faith.

Give us, our families and friends, ears eager to hear you and eyes open to perceive you...Be with women in our community who are expecting new babies and bring them to safe and joyful birth.

We pray for the sick, especially: Joan Wood, Maria Strachan, Claire Coombes, Jackie Dare, Pat Rogers, Lilian Hosking, Alys Pilkington, Joan Whitford and young Lilly.

Have mercy on the homeless, the refuges and the wanderers of this world and grant them secure shelter...be close to women who bear their children in strange and unwelcoming places.

We pray for those who have died, having had no settled home in this world...Give them rest in the heavenly home where in your mercy there is space for all.

We pray for the souls of those whose anniversaries fall at this time, especially:

Peggy Blundell, John Window (24th), Lillian Buckingham (26th), Gwendoline Bending (27th), William Baker (28th), Clarence Keast, Barry Kinsman Pr. (29th), Reginald Hendy (31st).

Rejoicing in the good news brought to the blessed Vigin Mary, we offer our prayers.

NB: Please inform **the Rev'd Emma** of any notices for the pew sheet by **noon on Thursday**.