

Parish Weekly News Advent Sunday

Welcome to the Priory Church and to our Sunday services. A very special welcome to those who are worshipping with us for the first time. Please do stay after the service for a time of fellowship at the back of Church. You are most welcome.

Please do take our weekly parish news update with you.

These are the readings for Morning Prayer Advent 1

Please do take time each day to read
and reflect upon them.

Monday

Psalm 50
Isaiah 25.1-9
Matthew 12.1-21

Thursday

Psalm 42
Isaiah 28.14-end
Matthew 13.1-23

Tuesday

Psalm 80
Isaiah 26.1-13
Matthew 12.22-37

Friday

Psalm 19
Isaiah 29.1-14
Matthew 13.24-43

Wednesday

Psalm 7
Isaiah 28.1-13
Matthew 12.38-end

Saturday

Psalm 23
Isaiah 29.15-end
Matthew 13.44-end

This week in The Priory

Thursday

10.15am Holy Communion
The Reverend Nick Devenish

Friday

5.30pm Silence

Next Sunday

Second Sunday Advent

8.00am Holy Communion
The Reverend Nick Devenish

11.00am Sung Eucharist
The Reverend Nick Devenish

3.30pm Light Up A Life
St Mary's Hospice Service

Christmas

Many thanks for your support of the **Harvest Food Bank Appeal** which provided **175 meals**.

Our **Christmas Food Bank Appeal** starts on the **9th December** and will continue up to the **18th**. Please do all that you can to support this vital ministry.



Today in The Priory - 3rd December 2017

08.00am Holy Communion BCP
Celebrant The Reverend Nick Devenish

09.30am Christingle
The Reverend Nick Devenish

11.00am Sung Eucharist CW
Celebrant The Reverend Nick Devenish
Setting - Addington
Proc Hymn: 34 On Jordan's bank
Reading - 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9
Gradual Hymn: 36 The advent of our King
Gospel - Mark 13: 24-37
Offertory Hymn: 32 O come,
O come Emmanuel
Anthem: The Lord will come - Tye
Communion Hymn: 27 Hark the glad sound
Post Communion Hymn: 31 Lo He comes with clouds
Recessional: Toccata on Veni Emmanuel - Carter

3.30pm Advent Carols
Boarbank Chapel
No Evensong Service in The Priory

For Our Prayers

Collect Advent Sunday

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.

Post Communion

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.

The Morning Service Readings

First Reading 1 Corinthians 13:9

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 strength-
ened 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.

Gospel Reading

Mark 13:24-37

‘But 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 mid-
night, 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.’

