

Sunday 15 December 2024

The Third Sunday of Advent

Weekly Notices

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Today's Services

- 8.00am **Holy Eucharist [1984]**
- 9.00am **Holy Eucharist [2004]**
- 11.00am **Choral Eucharist**
Missa Brevis [K,S,B,A] *Mathias*
Adam lay y'bounden *Philip Stopford*
Prelude from Symphony No. 1 *Laurin*
- 3.00pm** **Choral Evensong with the Blessing of the Lord Mayor of Cardiff**
Special Order of Service
- 6.00pm **Taizé Prayer**



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The Collect of the Day

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

The Post-Communion Prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these heavenly gifts; kindle in us the fire of your Spirit that when your Christ comes again we may shine as lights before his face; who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

The First Reading

A reading from the prophet Zephaniah

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel!
Rejoice and exult with all your heart,
O daughter Jerusalem! The Lord has taken away the judgements against you,
he has turned away your enemies.
The king of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst;
you shall fear disaster no more.
On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem:
Do not fear, O Zion;
do not let your hands grow weak.
The Lord, your God, is in your midst,
a warrior who gives victory;
he will rejoice over you with gladness,
he will renew you in his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing
as on a day of festival.
I will remove disaster from you,
so that you will not bear reproach for it.
I will deal with all your oppressors at that time.
And I will save the lame
and gather the outcast,
and I will change their shame into praise
and renown in all the earth.
At that time I will bring you home,
at the time when I gather you;
for I will make you renowned and praised
among all the peoples of the earth,
when I restore your fortunes
before your eyes, says the Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Zephaniah 3.14—end

§ Said together at 8.00am. Sung by the choir at 11.00am.

Surely God is my salvation:
I will trust and not be afraid.

**The Lord himself is my strength and my defence:
he has become my salvation.”**

With joy you will draw water
from the wells of salvation.

**In that day you will say:
“Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name;**

make known among the nations what he has done,
and proclaim that his name is exalted.

**Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things;
let this be known to all the world.**

Shout aloud and sing for joy people of Zion,
for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.”

Isaiah 12

The Second Reading

A reading from the letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4.4–7

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

John said to the crowds that came out to be baptized by him, 'You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruits worthy of repentance. Do not begin to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.'

And the crowds asked him, 'What then should we do?' In reply he said to them, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.' Even tax-collectors came to be baptized, and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Collect no more than the amount prescribed for you.' Soldiers also asked him, 'And we, what should we do?' He said to them, 'Do not extort money from anyone by threats or false accusation, and be satisfied with your wages.'

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' So, with many other exhortations, he proclaimed the good news to the people.

Luke 3. 7–18

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

WEEKLY NOTICES

We are delighted to announce that Llandaf Cathedral has been awarded the A Rocha UK Silver EcoChurch Award (December 2024). We are the first Cathedral in Wales to receive Silver, and we want to thank everyone who has worked to make our Cathedral church and community more sustainable.

We believe that it is part of the Church's mission to care for God's creation with our voice and with our actions, and we look forward to continuing our sustainability journey.



Cathedral Choir Christmas Concerts—Tickets are available for the Cathedral Choir Christmas Concerts on 20th & 21st December. Book your tickets now! Priced at £20, these are available at www.ticketsource.co.uk.

Live Broadcast on BBC Radio 3—On Wednesday 18 December, the Cathedral Choir will be broadcasting a service of Choral Evensong live on BBC Radio 3. The service will be the last to be broadcast on BBC Radio as part of the season of Advent. If you would like to attend the service, please be seated in the Cathedral by 2:45pm, ready for the service to begin at 3:00pm. You can also listen live at 3:00pm on BBC Radio 3, or on BBC Sounds.

Carol Singing - On Sunday 22nd December carol singers from the Cathedral will be stepping out to sing on the Cathedral Green and around the streets of Llandaff village, and all are invited! We will meet at the stone cross soon on Cathedral Green at 5.15pm and travel around various streets, undertaking a door-to-door bucket collection in aid of the Cathedral. Singers need have no prior experience of singing and all music/carol sheets will be provided! All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please make sure to dress warmly and bring a torch!

Advent Appeal—The LCCC has selected Noah's Ark Children's Hospital as our charity for the 2024 Advent Appeal. The hospital provides highly specialised care for children from all over Wales, and at a time of great anxiety, gives support to children and their families throughout their treatment. Bucket collections will be held at the end of all the main services on Sunday 15th and 22nd December. Cheques should be made payable to Noah's Ark Children's Hospital Charity and online giving is via www.justgiving.com/page/llandaff-cathedral-advent-appeal - Please consider giving with your usual great generosity. Thank you!

School references for Llandaff City Church in Wales Primary School: Parents needing a church reference for their child's application should please email Canon Jan (chancellor@llandaffcathedral.org.uk) with an outline of their and their child's involvement at the Cathedral over at least the last 2 years. This information will be helpful alongside our own attendance records.

Join us as we journey towards an EcoChurch Gold award... Llandaf Cathedral received the Silver award this week! We are eager to proceed to the next level. Each week we will update you on the progress we are making and highlighting ways that you can join with us to care for God's creation. St. David said 'Be

joyful, keep the faith, and do the little things...'. A little thing you can do this week:

Use an ethical search engine to look for gifts! —If researching gifts online, use not-for-profit [Ecosia](http://www.ecosia.org) at www.ecosia.org. The search engine diverts 80% of its advertising revenue towards reforestation efforts in countries like Brazil and Indonesia. Plus, they don't save your searches, track the websites you visit, or sell your data.

Prayers for the sick – Prayer intentions for the sick: this list is now based on the requests sent in via this form: <https://llandaffcathedral.churchsuite.com/forms/wy58qy6m> which is also available on paper from the Cathedral office. Each name remains on the list for 8 weeks and this time can be extended by re-submitting the form or emailing the Office.

Asking for a blessing instead of receiving the bread and wine? If you have been baptised/christened in any church, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Cathedral. If you are not baptised and/or confirmed, do get in touch if you are interested in thinking about this. You might like to try our course 'Explore the Faith' which is suitable for those enquiring about the faith, as a refresher, or as a preparation for confirmation. Contact Canon Jan to find out more.

Opportunities for musical children – Majestas Kids, our music group for children aged 6-13 has now re-started for the new academic year. Rachel Kilby, our Music Animator, inspires children to explore their musical talents through games, singing and work with instruments. Majestas Kids meets from 10-11am on Saturdays in term time and we look forward to them performing at various Cathedral events this year. If you'd like more information, or would like to sign your child(ren) up to join, please contact our Rachel at rachelkilby@llandaffcathedral.org.uk

Majestas Youth Choir, a choir for children aged 13-18 met for the first time ever last weekend. The choir rehearse on a sessional basis, and will sing for services in the cathedral. This is a great opportunity for children with a passion for music and singing to perform in a profession context in the beautiful setting of worship in our Cathedral.

If you would like more information about **Majestas Youth Choir**, or about any other events happening in the music department, please email us at music@llandaffcathedral.org.uk

The 'Anniversary of Death' List – If your loved one's funeral was held at the Cathedral, and/or their ashes are interred in our Garden of Remembrance, their name can be included in the prayers on the anniversary of their death, and/or in the Book of Remembrance, by request from next of kin using this form: <https://llandaffcathedral.online/remembrance-form>

Join the Friends of Llandaff Cathedral – The Friends are an independent charity founded to provide invaluable support to the Cathedral's life; its fabric, music and heritage.

Information about projects and membership can be found at www.llandaffcathedral.org.uk/friends

The deadline for submissions for the Weekly Notes is 9am on Thursday each week.

Please send any notices to admin@llandaffcathedral.org.uk

THE WEEKLY PRAYER INTENTIONS

Those who are currently sick and have asked for prayer:

Carolyn Jenkins, Huw James, Charles & Alison Lewis, Octavia Allen-Davies, Philip Morris, Girija Teli, Paul Madley

Those for whom we wish to pray, including those who are housebound and those whose need for prayer is long-term, among them:

Beryl Baldwin, Sid Baldwin, Megan Pugh, Bettie Williams

Those who have died recently: Rosemary Williams

Those whose anniversary of death falls this week:

15th December Charles Howard James, Vernon Alexander Watt

16th December Jessie Curtis, Peggy Carey, Yvette Dorothy Mary Rhys

17th December Reginald Thompson, Annie Phelps

18th December Albert William Lister, Glenys Valmai Davies, Edward George Wyatt

19th December *No names listed on this day*

20th December Mabel Frances Phillips, Edna Storer, Sheila Jenkins, Gloria Beck, Derek Winstone Beck

21st December Edward John Bowdery, Howard William Thomas, Iris Florence Carroll, Dorothy Nora Allin, Gillian Denise Warren.

The Cycle of Prayer for this week in the Anglican Communion, this Diocese and in the Cathedral Community:

Sunday The Anglican Church of Tanzania | Bro Noddfa Newydd Ministry Area
School Visits Team

Monday The Diocese of Kongor (South Sudan) | Vale of Glamorgan Deanery
Llandaff Cathedral Community Council, Churchwardens

Tuesday The Diocese of Kontagora (Nigeria) | East Vale Ministry Area
Cathedral Chapter

Wednesday The Diocese of Kootenay (Canada) | Glamorgan Heritage Coast Ministry Area
Greater Chapter

Thursday The Diocese of Eastern Kowloon (Hong Kong) | Ministry Area of Cowbridge
Young Cathedral Council

Friday The Diocese of Western Kowloon (Hong Kong) | Ministry Area of De Morgannwg
Friends of Llandaff Cathedral

Saturday The Diocese of Krishna-Godavari (South India) | Penarth Ministry Area
Shop Volunteers

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Monday 16 December	8.00am 5.30pm	Morning Prayer and Eucharist Choral Evensong
Tuesday 17 December <i>O Wisdom!</i>	8.00am 9.30am 5.30pm	Morning Prayer and Eucharist Holy Eucharist Evening Prayer
Wednesday 18 December <i>O Adonai!</i>	8.00am <u>3.00pm</u>	Morning Prayer and Eucharist Choral Evensong <i>broadcast live on BBC Radio 3. Please be seated by 2.45pm.</i>
Thursday 19 December <i>O Root of Jesse!</i>	8.00am 9.30am 5.30pm	Morning Prayer and Eucharist Cymun Bendigaid Evening Prayer
Friday 20 December <i>O Key of David!</i>	8.00am 5.30pm	Morning Prayer and Eucharist Evening Prayer
Saturday 21 December <i>O Dayspring!</i>	8.00am 5.30pm	Morning Prayer and Eucharist Evening Prayer
Sunday 22 December <i>The Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	8.00am 9.00am 11.00am 4.00pm	Holy Eucharist [1984] Holy Eucharist [2004] Choral Eucharist Crib Service for All Ages

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