

**Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday 8th December 2024
Parish Eucharist
St Anne's Mass – MacMillan**

The Advent Antiphon

sung by the choir

Proclamation Hymn

**O come, O come, Emmanuel,
redeem thy captive Israel,
that into exile drear is gone,
far from the face of God's dear Son**

*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to thee, O Israel.*

**O come, thou Branch of Jesse! draw
the quarry from the lion's claw;
from those dread caverns of the grave,
from nether hell, thy people save.**

Rejoice! ...

**O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!
pour on our souls thy healing light;
dispel the long night's lingering gloom,
and pierce the shadows of the tomb.**

Rejoice! ...

**O come, O come, Adonai,
who in thy glorious majesty
from Sinai's mountain, clothed with awe,
gavest thy folk the ancient law.**

Rejoice! ...

Introduction

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

O Lord, we call to you: come to us quickly.
Hear us when we cry to you.

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

please sit

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.

Prayers of Penitence

introduced by the Deacon

When the Lord comes,

he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness,

and will disclose the purposes of the heart.

Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy. Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy. Lord have mercy.

Absolution

Almighty God,

who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,

forgive you your sins, and open your eyes to God's truth,

strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of his kingdom,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The 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.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The Reading *Malachi 3: 1-4*

At the end the reader may say:

For the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn

**Long ago, prophets knew
Christ would come born a Jew.
Come to make all things new;
Bear his People's burden,
Freely love and pardon.**

*Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!
Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!
When he comes,
When he comes,
Who will make him welcome?*

**God in time, God in man,
This is God's timeless plan:
He will come, as a man,
Born himself of woman,
God divinely human.**

Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring! ...

**Journey ends! Where afar
Bethlem shines, like a star,
Stable door stands ajar.
Unborn Son of Mary,
Saviour, do not tarry!**

*Ring, bells, ring, ring, ring!
Sing, choirs, sing, sing, sing!
When he comes,
When he comes,
We will make him welcome!*

Gospel Reading **Luke 3: 1-6**

We all stand and turn to face the Deacon as they prepare to read the Gospel.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

A sentence from the scripture is sung and then we respond singing:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to N.

Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

please sit

The Creed

please stand

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

please sit

During Advent this response is used:

Maranatha:

Come, Lord Jesus.

At the end:

Hasten, Lord, the day when people will come
from east and west, from north and south,
and sit at table in your kingdom and we shall see your Son in his glory.

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers

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

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace

please stand

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.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

'Let us offer one another a sign of peace'.

Offertory Hymn

A collection plate will be passed around if you would like to leave a cash donation. Alternatively please use our contactless card reader in the entrance lobby.

**Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King!**

Refrain:

***Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King!***

**No more crying there we are going to see the King!
No more crying there we are going to see the King!
No more crying there we are going to see the King!**

Refrain

**No more dying there we are going to see the King!
No more dying there we are going to see the King!
No more dying there we are going to see the King!**
Refrain

The president takes the bread and wine and says:

As the grain once scattered in the fields
and the grapes once dispersed on the hillside
are now reunited on this table in bread and wine,
so, Lord, may your whole Church soon be gathered together
from the corners of the earth into your kingdom.
Amen.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

The president praises God for His mighty acts:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest,
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.**

The president recalls the last supper, and we use this acclamation:

Christ is the bread of life:
**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

The prayer continues and ends with praise to God to which everyone responds:
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

please sit

Awaiting his coming in glory, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes again.

Agnus Dei

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.

Giving of Communion

The president offers the invitation to communion:

Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

The Communion

If you would like to receive Communion you are very welcome to do so here. If you do not normally have Communion but would like a blessing, please come to the altar holding this service book as a sign. A sidesperson will show you when to come up.

During Advent there is an opportunity to receive a prayer for wholeness and healing after you have received Communion. This is available in the Lady Chapel.

Anthem

please sit

How beautiful upon the mountain - Stainer

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept

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.

**We thank you, Lord,
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

The Blessing

please stand

Christ the Son of Righteousness shine upon you,
scatter the darkness from before your path,
and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory;
and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Recessional Hymn

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
come then and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings from the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every Christian breast,
and furnished for so great a guest!
yea, let us each our hearts prepare
for Christ to come and enter there.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without thy grace our souls must fade,
and wither like a flower decayed.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee
whose advent sets thy people free,
whom, with the Father, we adore,
and Spirit blest, for evermore. Amen.

Dismissal

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

Organ Voluntary

Rorate Codi – Demessieut

Please stay and join us for refreshments!