This week's calendar | The Third Week of Advent

Sun 14 Dec | Third Sunday of Advent

AT ST BARNABAS PIMLICO
9.30am Sung Mass
Preacher: The Vicar

AT ST MARY'S BOURNE ST
8.45am Morning Prayer
9am Low Mass
uam High Mass
Preacher: Fr Robert Ferguson
Missa Canonica - Brahms
6pm Solemn Evensong &
Benediction
7pm Low Mass

NEXT SUNDAY

Sun 21 Dec | Fourth Sunday of Advent
AT ST BARNABAS PIMLICO

9.30am Sung Mass

Preacher: Fr Alexander McGregor AT ST MARY'S BOURNE ST

8.45am Morning Prayer

9am Low Mass

11am **High Mass** Preacher: Fr Neil Bunker

Missa Ecce ego Joannis-Palestrina

6pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction

7pm Low Mass

DURING THIS WEEK AT ST BARNABAS PIMLICO

Wed 17 Dec | Feria

12.45pm Low Mass

DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S BOURNE ST

Mon 15 Dec | Feria

No morning Low Mass

6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

Tue 16 Dec | Feria

8am Low Mass 6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

Wed 17 Dec | Feria

No morning Low Mass 6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

Thu 18 Dec | Feria

8am Low Mass 6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

Fri 19 Dec | Feria

8am Low Mass

6pm Evening Prayer

6.30pm Low Mass

Sat 20 Dec | Feria

11am Morning Prayer

11.30am Low Mass

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): 12.05pm on Saturdays at St Mary's or by appointment



Welcome to St Mary's, especially if you are visiting us for the first time. Please join us for drinks after High Mass.

- **The Order of High Mass with the Ordinary texts is provided in the High Mass booklet.**
- The Propers (prayers, readings and verses) of the Mass are set out overleaf.
- **The Hymns are found in The New English Hymnal.**
- **The Advent Special Collection** is for St Mary's, Cable Street. If you are using a Gift Aid envelope, please mark it "Cable Street".
- **There will be a collection after Mass for flowers for the Church at Christmas.**
- **Carol singing** round the parish will take place on Thursday 18th December at 7.00 pm, followed by mince pies and mulled wine in the Presbytery. Money raised will be for West London Churches Homeless Concern. All welcome; meet in the church porch.
- **The Study Group** will next meet on Tuesday 3 February, 7-9pm. Please note that the Study Group will not meet in January. Contact Amanda Wright amanda@londonarttherapy.com

THE INTERCESSIONS: Of your charity please pray for the sick. Please continue to leave the names of the sick on the list at the entrance to church. Copies of the full list are available in the porch. <u>Recently departed:</u> Karin Hinchliffe, John Howard, June Baxter, Rosemary Chrome, Philip Hughes, Patricia Baxter

<u>Anniversaries of death:</u> Sun 14th Dec Elizabeth Jean Merriott, Edith Martha Jaggar, Rebecca Carpenter, Mon 15th Dec William Albert Reid, Rex Probert; Tues 16th Dec Elizabeth Jean Reid, Peggy Ainsley, James Chin Yuen Kee, Pandora Howles; Thurs 18th Dec Mary Redman; Fri 19th Dec Ray Onslow; Sat 20th Dec Mark Vanner, Roderick Gradidge; Sun 21st Dec Richard Fletcher

We have the capacity of seeing things in an angelic way. God's made us capable of seeing the world in relation to him. And yet again and again we insist on seeing it in terms of its relation to ourselves. We exploit the world. We squeeze it dry. We pile up the goods of the world so that we can pretend that we're safe. We invent any number of vastly complicated systems, some of them perfected in this city of London, to keep us, as we imagine, secure from uncertainty and from suffering. And we complain bitterly when that doesn't work. So our human way of seeing and knowing things has to be more and more peeled away from that temptation to the diabolical, and became more and more aligned with the angelic way of seeing things; an angelic way of seeing things, just like the Angel Gabriel. Look at the world and see it pregnant with God. And as you see it pregnant with God understand that this is something you will never contain or control. All you can do is open your eyes, draw in your breath, and receive what is to be received and step forward. That's where our human seeing and knowing starts to become that little bit more angelic. And it's in that process that we discover something about death, judgement, heaven and hell, sure enough. *>> BISHOP ROWAN WILLIAMS, SERMON PREACHED ON ADVENT SUNDAY 2011 AT ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS (FULL TEXT AVAILABLE IN PORCH).

The Introductory Rite

HYMN 7
INTROIT ← Gaudete

Hills of the North, rejoice Philippians 4 & Psalm 85

Rejoice ye in the LORD alway, and again, I say, rejoice ye: let your moderation be known unto all men: the LORD is at hand. Be careful for nothing, nor troubled: but in all things, by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God. LORD, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

COLLECT

OLORD JESU CHRIST, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight.

The Liturgy of the Word

FIRST READING Isaiah 35.1-10

THUS SAITH THE LORD: The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad; and the $lack \bot$ desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing: the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the glory of the LORD, and the excellency of our God. Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees. Say to them that are of a fearful heart: Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompense; he will come and save you. Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land, springs of water: in the habitation of dragons, where each lay, shall be grass with reeds and rushes. And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein. No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there; but the redeemed shall walk there: And the ransomed of the LORD shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

GRADUAL ~ Qui sedes Psalm 80

Shew thyself, O LORD, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim, stir up thy strength and come. Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel: thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 4.1-5

BRETHREN: Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. But with me it is a very small thing that I should be judged of you, or of man's judgment: yea, I judge not mine own self. For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord. Therefore judge nothing before the

time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.

ALLELUIA ~ Excita Psalm 80

Alleluia, alleluia. Stir up thy strength, O LORD, and come, and deliver us. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL St Matthew 11.2-10

At THAT TIME: When John had heard in the prison the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples, and said unto him: 'Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another?' Jesus answered and said unto them: 'Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: the blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them: and blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.' And as they departed, Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John: 'What went ye out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses. But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he, of whom it is written: Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

SERMON Fr Robert Ferguson
CREED → Cardinalis p.5 of the High Mass booklet

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

OFFERTORY MOTET

William Byrd (1540-1623) → Isaiah 45

Rorate coeli desuper et nubes pluant justum. Aperiatur terra et germinet salvatorem. | Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain on the just. Let the earth be opened and send forth a Saviour.

HYMN 11 O come, O come Emmanuel

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

GRANT, WE BESEECH THEE, O LORD, that the continual oblation of this our bounden duty and service: may evermore avail for the fulfilment of the institution of thine ordinance and for the accomplishment in us of the wondrous work of thy salvation.

COMMUNION → Dicite Isaiah 35

Say to them that are of a fearful heart: Be strong and fear not: behold, our God will come and will save us.

COMMUNION MOTET

attr. John Redford (c. 1500-1547)

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men: the Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in all prayer and supplication, let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

HAVE MERCY UPON US, O LORD, WE BESEECH THEE: and grant that the heavenly assistance of thy holy mysteries may so cleanse us from all our iniquities that we may be made ready worthily to keep thy coming festival.