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# WEEKLY NOTES

## The Second Sunday of Advent

### 6<sup>th</sup> December 2009

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*If this is your first time at St Mary's today, you are very welcome.  
Please come for coffee in the church hall across the road after the  
9.30 service.*

**Please note that Margaret Howard's funeral will take place at  
2 o'clock this Tuesday (8th December) here at St Mary's.**

### Sunday Prayer Cycle

We pray today for the church and for the world, and especially  
in the Anglican Communion, for the provinces of New South Wales  
and Queensland, Australia  
in our diocese, for the parishes in our own Epsom Deanery;  
in our parish, for the communion assistants;  
and for those living in Cheam Road.

### Collect and Post-communion Prayer (at 8 & 9.30)

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.**

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.  
**Amen**

# SUNDAY SERVICES

## **8.00am Said Eucharist** (*Common Worship*)

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The service begins on page **167** of the black book.

Eucharistic Prayer **E**: page **196** (with the proper preface on page **301**.)

We continue with the Lord's Prayer on page **178**.

## **9.30am Sung Eucharist** (*Common Worship*)

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A crèche is available, if needed: please ask a Sidesman

Choral setting of the Eucharist: *Wood* in the Phrygian mode

### **INTROIT HYMN: NEW ENGLISH HYMNAL 5**

(There is no Gloria in Excelsis in Advent)

First Reading: Baruch 5

Second Reading: Philippians 1.3-11

### **GRADUAL HYMN: (TUNE HIGHWOOD)**

Hark, what a sound, and too divine for hearing,  
stirs on the earth and trembles in the air!  
Is it the thunder of the Lord's appearing?  
Is it the music of his people's prayer?

Surely he cometh, and a thousand voices  
shout to the saints and to the deaf are dumb;  
surely he cometh, and the earth rejoices,  
glad in his coming who hath sworn: I come!

So even I, and with a pang more thrilling,  
so even I, and with a hope more sweet,  
yearn for the sign, O Christ, of thy fulfilling,  
faint for the flaming of thine advent feet.

Yea, through life, death, through sorrow and through sinning,  
he shall suffice me, for he hath sufficed:  
Christ is the end, for Christ was the beginning,  
Christ the beginning, for the end is Christ.

The Holy Gospel: St Luke 3.1-6

Sermon: The Vicar

Creed: Said

### **OFFERTORY HYMN: NEH 12** (*during which a collection is taken*)

Eucharistic Prayer: **E** with extended preface for Advent

Anthem: O Sacrum Convivium, *Tallis*

*Sharing the love of Christ, the Light of the World, with the people of Ewell*

**RECESSIONAL HYMN: NEH 466** (TUNE 2)

Voluntary: Tocatta Primi Toni– Sark [MA]

**11am Choral Mattins** (*Book of Common Prayer*)

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The service begins with responses on page 8 in the *Shorter Prayer Book*

Response: *Reading*

**OFFICE HYMN: NEW ENGLISH HYMNAL 17**

Psalm 80 (on p. 251 in the Prayer Book)

First Lesson: Isaiah 40.1-11

Jubilate: *Stanford* in B $\flat$

Second Lesson: Luke 1.1-25

**HYMN: NEH 8** (TUNE 128 II)

The service continues on page 12 with the Creed and following

(The “Collect of the Day” for the Second Sunday in Advent can be found on page 51)

Anthem: This is the record of John– *Gibbons*

Sermon: Wendy Varney, reader

Prayers

**HYMN: NEH 9**

Voluntary: Tu es Petra– *Mulet* [JSH]

**5.30pm Evening Prayer** (*Book of Common Prayer*)

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This service takes place in the parish room (door round the back of church). Psalm 75; Isaiah 40.1-11; Luke 1.1-25. Following by informal discussion, this week on “Eternal life.” All welcome, all finished by 6.30pm.

## THIS WEEK

**In Church this week**

(*all welcome at these services*)

	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Holy</b>	<b>Evening</b>
	<b>Prayer</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>	<b>Prayer</b>
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	9am	-	5pm
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	9am	10am	5pm
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	-	-	5pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	-	-	5pm

(*Tuesday’s Eucharist at 10am takes place in the parish room. All other services are in church.*)

*Sharing the love of Christ, the Light of the World, with the people of Ewell*

## Also this week

Wednesday 9th: **Coffee morning Christmas Party** in the church hall, 1030-1300. Come and enjoy:

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an excellent cup of tea (or coffee) – Christmas “cheer” and mince pies  
some favourite carols – grand raffle – good company.

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## Next Sunday

*13<sup>th</sup> December 2009 – The Third Sunday of Advent*

7.15am Mattins; 8am Said Eucharist; 9.30am Sung Eucharist; 11am Sung Eucharist (1662); 5.30pm Evening Prayer and discussion.

## Notices

**Christmas postcards** advertising our Christmas services are available at the back of church, and we'd like them to be delivered to every house in the parish. Please take one or more bundles to deliver if you are able to. They are sorted according to street. There are plenty spare to give out to friends, neighbours, church groups, and so on.

**Parochial Visiting:** There are just one or two remaining spaces in the Vicar's diary for home visits in December. He would like very much to visit as many people as possible, and will be making more space in the diary in January.

There is an **exhibition of paintings by Iain McKillop** at St Columba's House, Woking, until 21<sup>st</sup> December. More details at <http://www.stcolumbashouse.org.uk/>

A & E Longhurst invite members of St Mary's congregation to their **Annual Candle Evening** in memory of departed loved ones. Tuesday December 8<sup>th</sup> (this Tuesday) at 6.30pm, 21 Kingston Rd.

The **Parish Office** will be closed from Christmas Day till it re-opens on 11<sup>th</sup> January. When it re-opens in January there will be new opening hours, 9.30-12, on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday.

**Coffee morning** will be as normal on Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Dec and Wed 30<sup>th</sup> Dec but will be closed on 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec.

There is a **Christmas card box** at the back of church. You can post cards for any members of the congregation and they will be placed on tables at the back of church: and please look out for cards for yourself over the coming weeks. We don't deliver cards that aren't collected: they will be cleared away on 27<sup>th</sup> December.