

SUNDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2018 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8.00 HOLY COMMUNION

Service begins on **page 236** of the Prayer Book. Collect and readings for the Third Sunday in Advent are on **pp 51-52**.

10.00 MATTINS

Moore - Benedictus Responses: Leighton

Ord - Adam lay ybounden

Isaiah 35: 1-2, 8-10 Luke 1: 57-66 Psalm: 62: 1-8 Hymn: 12

Preacher: Linda Barratt, Cathedral Lay Reader

At the end of the Service: The Advent Prose

11.00 SUNG EUCHARIST

For full details of this Service please refer to the separate Order of Service. After the Sung Eucharist this morning, coffee and soft drinks will be served in the South Transept, to which all members of the congregation are warmly invited.

3.00 EVENING PRAYER (said, Bishop's Chapel)

4.00 BBC RADIO SUSSEX & SURREY CAROL SERVICE

I ive radio broadcast

Notices

National Politics: We recommend this prayer to all at this present time: God of reconciling hope, as you guided your people in the past, guide us through the turmoil of the present time, and bring us to that place of flourishing where our unity can be restored, the common good served and all shall be made well. In the name of Jesus we pray. Amen.

Chichester Cathedral Friends would like to sincerely thank everyone who helped at, came along to and supported the Friends' Christmas Fair which was held at Vicars' Hall on Saturday 8th December. It proved to be a big success and raised many a Christmas smile. It also raised the handsome sum of £1,800 which is a record by some way. Thanks so much again and we hope to see you at the 2019 Christmas Fair! (Howard Castle-Smith)

Carol Services: A quick reminder that seats in the Nave will not require tickets. Please simply come in good time; doors open an hour before the service.

Foodbank News: As you will have read in the press, there is a substantial rise in those needing our service at the moment. Although local churches are very generous, we are already beginning to run short of: tinned* rice pudding; long life milk; deodorant; soap and flannels; tinned* fruit and vegetables. The Cathedral is always generous and has supported the foodbank since it began and I ask you to continue in this. Thank you very much, it is really appreciated. (Marguerite Saffery.) *With ring pulls, please

Cathedral Newsletters: The latest newsletters are ready for distribution from the Friends' Office which is open on Tuesday and Friday between 10am and 1pm. Thank you to all those who help by filling the envelopes and delivering. We are very grateful and it is a financial benefit to the Cathedral. (Jill Evershed-Martin)

BBC Radio Sussex and Surrey Carol Service: Local radio will today (16th) be broadcasting a special live service of carols from Chichester Cathedral to their many listeners. Although application for tickets via the BBC Sussex and Surrey website has now closed, please do tune in and listen to our choir at 4pm.

Be Still: The next meeting of the Chichester Contemplative Prayer Group is Tuesday 18th December (7.15pm for 7.30pm start, finishing 8.30pm) in 4 Canon Lane. The guiding theme for the year is *The Rule of St Benedict'*; the specific focus for the evening will be *'Attend to what God says'*.

St Paul's and City of Chichester Mothers' Union will meet Thursday 20th December, at St Paul's Church. Many of us attend the 10am Eucharist before the meeting at 11am, when we will share 'A Christmas Anthology'. For more details please contact Janet Watson, 01243 788525 or Heather Hyde 01243 785633.

Christmas Flowers: The volunteer flower arrangers would be most grateful for donations to help defray the costs of flowers for the Christmas decorations this year. Cheques should be made payable to 'Chichester Cathedral Flower Fund' and left in the Cloisters office. Thank you for your generosity. (*Sue Doggart and Yvonne Kelly*)

Helpers are sought to serve mulled wine and mince pies in the Cloisters after the Cathedral Carol Services on Saturday 22nd December. Volunteers on the 22nd will be needed from 4pm until 4.45pm. If you would like to take part in this jolly festive occasion please contact Carolyn in the Cathedral Office on 01243 782595 or reception@chichestercathedral.org.uk

Cathedral Office Christmas Hours: The Cathedral Office will close at 1pm on Christmas Eve and will re-open at 9am on Wednesday 2nd January. The vergers will be available during this time on: 01243 812498. Services and events are on the website: www.chichestercathedral.org.uk

Cathedral Residential Retreat: 12th – 14th March 2019. Retreat conducted by the Venerable Archdeacon Edward Dowler, at Worth Abbey Open Cloister Retreat Centre in Crawley. Full cost of retreat and accommodation is £165. (Special *Early Bird Rate* of £155 if paid by 31st January). Closing date for application and payment is Thursday 21st February. Application forms available first week in January from the Cathedral Reception, t. 01243 782595 or reception@chichestercathedral.org.uk

Do you know a boy who loves to sing? The Chorister Open Day 2019 will be held on Saturday 2nd March, 1 - 4pm. This is a great opportunity to experience a taste of the chorister life. There will be a choral workshop, led by a professional singer, some play time with the choristers, and an opportunity to sing with the choir for a short service. The day is geared particularly towards boys in years 2 and 3, and we welcome all those who are interested – experience of music and singing is not a requirement. That said, if you know of children who have already shown some enthusiasm for music, there is a good chance that they will get a lot out of the open day. To find out more, contact Charles Harrison on 01243 812486 organist@chichestercathedral.org.uk

Shop and support the Roof Appeal: You can now raise money for the Roof Appeal when you shop on-line with 3,500 shops and sites. Please visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk whenever you shop online and click through to your chosen retailer or service provider. Chichester Cathedral Trust will receive a donation from anyone you shop with when you shop on-line via easyfundraising.

Financial Giving: The Cathedral depends on the generosity of the congregation to finance its mission. Please consider setting up a standing order, via our Stewardship Scheme. Talk to Dr Richard Hancock, Stewardship Committee Chairman tel. 02392 631884 or contact Mr John Leslie stewardship@chichestercathedral.org

Children's Activities on Sundays: A crèche and children's group, Pebbles (ages 2-11), meet in the Canons' Vestry each Sunday during the 11am Sung Eucharist. Parents are welcome too! Toy bags also available during the service.

Pastoral Care: If anyone has a pastoral concern and would like to speak to someone, please make contact with the Precentor (813589).

Services, Events and Prayer Calendar

In residence: The Precentor

Monday 17th December	7.30am	Mattins (said)	
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O Sapientia 8.00am Holy Communion - Order 1 (Chapel of St Mary Magdalene)

Eglantine Jebb, reformer, founder of Save 5.30pm Evening Prayer (said)

the Children', 1928 7.00pm Chichester High School Carol Service

The Rural Deanery of Westbourne: Martin Lane, rural dean; Jane

Wilkinson, deanery lay chair

Tuesday 18th December 7.30am Mattins (said)

O Adonai 8.00am Holy Communion - Order 1 (Chapel of St John Baptist)

5.30pm Evening Prayer (said)

Bosham: Martin Lane, incumbent

Wednesday 19th December 7.30am Mattins (said)

O Radix Jesse 8.00am Holy Communion - Order 1 (Chapel of St George)

1.10pm Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)

5.30pm Evening Prayer (said)

Chidham: vacant. Chidham Parochial Primary School: Chidham Parochial Primary School: Mr Mat Chesshire, interim head teacher

Becky Wild, chair of governors

Thursday 20th December 7.30am Mattins (said)

O Clavid David 8.00am Holy Communion - Order 1 (Shrine of St Richard)

10.30am Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)

5.00pm Evening Prayer (said) 6.00pm Cathedral Carol Service 1

East Dean, Singleton and West Dean: Kevan Robinson, priest in charge. Singleton CEP School: Chris Todd, head teacher; Janet Holt, chair of governors. West Dean CEP School: Gillian Moss, head

teacher; Wendy Goacher, chair of governors

Friday 21st December 7.30am Mattins (said)

O Oriens 8.00am Holy Communion Order 1 (Lady Chapel)

5.00pm Evening Prayer (said) 6.00pm Cathedral Carol Service 2

Funtington with West Stoke & Sennicotts: Christopher Huxtable, incumbent

Saturday 22nd December 8.00am Mattins (said)

O Rex Gentium 12.00pm Holy Communion Order 1 (Lady Chapel)

3.00pm Cathedral Carol Service 3 5.30pm Evening Prayer (said)

Southbourne with West Thorney: Matt Luff, incumbent

Sunday 23rd December 8.00am Holy Communion (Lady Chapel)

FOURTH SUNDAY 10.00am Mattins

OF ADVENT 11.00am Sung Eucharist

O Emmanuel 3.30pm Evensong

The readings at the Sung Eucharist next week:

Micah 5: 2-5a Psalm: 80: 1-8 Hebrews 10: 5-10 Luke 1: 39-55