Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2024

## 2nd Sunday before Advent

# Holy Trinity Cuckfield

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#### Reflection

12.00 pm

**Baptism** 

Jesus warns his disciples not to place their trust in the grand buildings and trappings of religion, nor in every voice that declares itself to be of God. Wars and natural disasters are the birth pangs of the age to come, the timing of which is in God's hands. God's people are not to panic, but to wait patiently and with hope for the new life that is promised. Just as the natural world gives signs of the seasons, so there are spiritual signs to be recognized, interpreted and followed on the way to judgement. Despite the chaos of the world and the shaking of the universe, the words of Jesus, the Word incarnate, will remain solid and steadfast. It is by holding fast to Jesus and walking in his ways that his followers will be raised to new life with him.

### Worship this Sunday...

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen** 

Daniel 12.1-3

#### Sunday 17th November - 2nd Sunday before Advent

Hebrews.10.11- 14, 19-25 Gospel Mark 13: 1-8 8.00 am **Holy Communion (CW)** Reader Graham Johnson Parish Eucharist with Sunday's Cool\* 9.45 am Reader 1 Carolyn Ponder Reader 2 Dick Whidborne Pr Hymn 580 Judge Eternal Throned in Splendour (RHUDDLAN) Clive Simmonds Settina Intercessions Gr Hymn 421 All for Jesus (ALL FOR JESUS) Of Hymn 635 For the Healing of the Nations (WESTMINSTER ABBEY) Anthem God so loved the world (Chilcott) Cm Hymn 144 How Deep the Father's Love for Us (TOWNEND) 425 Be known to us in breaking bread (BELMONT) 732 Shout to the Lord (ZSCHECH) Fn Hymn

6.00 pm Choral Evensong\* Daniel 3 Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43

Hvmn 766 Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven

Responses Ebdon **Psalm** 89: 1-19

ever and ever.

Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis set to Tone i with Canticles

> Fauxbourdons, Healy Willan Ave Verum Corpus Mozart

**Anthem** 703 Lead, Kindly Light (ALBERTA) Hymn

22 Saviour, Again, To Thy Dear Name We Raise **Final Hymn** 

(ELLERS)

First Reading After a time of anguish there shall be a resurrection: some to everlasting life, others to shame 'At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for

Daniel 12.1-3

Second Reading Hebrews.10.11- 14, 19-25

Christ sat down at God's right hand, so we have confidence and can approach with a true heart And every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God', and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Gospel Mark 13: 1-8

Jesus predicts the destruction of the temple

As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, 'Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!' Then Jesus asked him, 'Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.' When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, 'Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?' Then Jesus began to say to them, 'Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

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18/11 Mon	11.30 am	Goldbridge Care Home - Holy Communion	Goldbridge
19/11 Tues	6.30 am	Space for Grace	Church
	7.30 pm	Cuckfield & Bolney Men's Group	The Bull Inn, Henfield
20/11 Wed	10.30 am	Holy Communion*	Revelation 4;Luke 19.11-28
		followed by coffee and cake	
21/11 Thu	9.00 am	Iona /Celtic Communion	Revelation 5.1-10; Luke 19.41-44
	7.00 pm	Home Group	Online
	7.30 pm	Home Group (in person)	
22/11 Fri	11.00 am	BCP Communion	Revelation 10.8-end
			Luke 19.45-end
	7.30 pm	Choir Practice	
23/11 Sat	7.00pm	Candlelit Concert with Ensemble Reza	

<sup>\*</sup> Also live streamed on zoom - click the blue button on the church homepage.

Next Sunday...

Sunday 24th November - Christ the King Daniel 7.9-10,13-14

Revelation 1.4b-8 Gospel John18.33-37

8.00 am **Holy Communion (CW)** Roger Edmonston Readers

Eileen Caple

9.45 am Parish Eucharist \* Reader 1 Colin Sewell- Rutter Pr Hymn 769 Rejoice, the Lord is King (GOPSALL) Reader 2 Joyce Sewell-Rutter

Setting Intercessions Isobel Simmonds

669 I heard the voice of Jesus say (KINGSFOLD) Gr Hymn Of Hymn

486 Christ Is the King, O Friends Rejoice

(VULPIUS/GELOBT SEI GOTT)

Anthem

Cm Hymn Faithful Shepherd, Feed Me (PASTOR

PASTORUM)

The King of Love my shepherd is (DOMINUS

REGIT ME)

All Hail the Power of Jesu's Name (MILES LANE) Fn Hvmn

#### **Notices and Parish News...**

**Thankyou** – to everyone who worked so hard to make Remembrance at Holy Trinity Cuckfield so special. Help Us Build Our Social Media Presence! - We're working hard to enhance our social media, and we need your support. If you're on Facebook, visit the Holy Trinity Cuckfield page. You'll find church services and events—please don't just like them, share them! This helps spread the word about our church. You can also RSVP to events and invite others. If you have any content, like photos or updates, send them to claire@juniperbloom.co.uk (Claire is assisting Fr Daniel with Social Media Marketing). Or, consider becoming a Facebook administrator yourself to help us further. You could also follow Fr. Daniel on Twitter: @CuckfieldCleric!

Home Groups - a great way to explore and to grow your faith as well as getting to know people better in a small group. There are currently two home groups meeting - one online and one meeting in person in Cuckfield. If you would like to know more, perhaps with a view to joining, contact Jonathan re the on-line group (hirsuteshepherd1@yahoo.com) or Caroline regarding the other (c.currer@btinternet.com). This autumn, both groups are following the 'Being With' course, written by Sam Wells of St Martin in the Fields, but there will be a new course after Christmas, when new members will be very welcome.

Cuckfield & Bolney Men's Group Meeting, 19th November 2024. Skittles and Pizza at the Bull in Henfield. Please RSVP and let Clivesimmonds@btinternet.com know which events vou'll attend.

Christmas Tree Festival 2024 - The Rock Choir will once again return to play a concert at the Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 7th December at 7:45. Tickets are limited and are on sale via Ticket Source. They are priced at £8-50 and there is no booking fee to pay.

Christmas table decoration demonstration Wednesday 11th Dec 12 -1pm in church\_Come and learn how to make 3 beautiful decorations for your Christmas table with Belinda Campopiano of Chez Fleur. Once inspired, you will have the opportunity to order the necessary materials for your own Christmas table decoration. Please book through ChurchSuite calendar

Sunday's Cool- 15th December. If you can help at any of those sessions, or our child wants to come along, please let Hilary know by emailing inspirefm@holytrinitycuckfield.org. We really want to demonstrate how committed we are to children and young families in this parish.

Advance notice of our Christmas plans: Sunday, 1st December, 6.00 pm, Candlelit Advent Carol Service; Wednesdays, 4th, 11th (at Bolney) & 18th December, 9.00 pm, Sung Compline for Advent; Sunday, 8th December, 9.45 am, Worship for All-Toy Service; Sunday, 8th December, 6.00 pm, Community Christmas Tree Carols; Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 6.00 pm, Candlelit Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols; Christmas Eve, 24th December Crib Service at 2.30 pm & 4.00 pm (Tickets available from the Church Website); Christmas Eve, 24th December, 11.15 pm Midnight Mass; Christmas Day, 25th December, 9.45 am Worship for All-Christmas Eucharist; Monday, 6th January 2025, 7.00 pm Epiphany Choral Eucharist (followed by Dinner). O Come Let Us Adore Him!

<sup>\*</sup> Also live streamed on zoom - click the blue button on the church home page.

#### Prayers...

Those in immediate need.

Becky Parker, James Watson, Mark Herring, Ralph Colbran

Those in long term need.

Georgia, Ann Went, Julie Sadler, Wendy Hibling, Eileen Knight, Jim Knight, Liz Graydon, Peter Graydon, Eileen MacDougall, George Snashall, Karen Leese, and Yvonne Godsmark

Those in care homes.

Mary Watts, Ruth Baker, Rosemary Pardey, Janet Card, Keith Card, Tina Owens

The recently departed and those who mourn.

Pam Sagar, Gary Diprose

*Those whose year's mind falls at this time.* 17<sup>th</sup> Jean Doublebeiss, Phil Goodwin, Anthony (Tony) Graham Giles 2019, 18<sup>th</sup> Enid, Sheila Sanchc, Phyllis Violet Brinley Codd 2004, 19<sup>th</sup> Cicely Selby 1995, Roderic James 1999, David Pardey 2001, Cyril Thomas Carter 2010, Juliet Pegler 2017, 20<sup>th</sup> Elsie Dean 1994, Gertrude Mary Grainger 2005, 21<sup>st</sup> Phyllis Smale, Alfred Thomas Humphries 2006, Brian Gehlcken 2015, Rodney Guy Berkeley 2020, 22th Derek Ernest Tidey 2011, 23rd George Pinney 2004, Colin Shivers Stockton 2006, Jaqueline Clinton 2012.

#### Praying through the week...

**Mon Nov 18**<sup>th</sup> - World Day for the Prevention of and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Violence. Such violations are pervasive, cutting across all nations and societal strata. Children, especially girls, are at a greater risk of sexual exploitation, abuse and violence, including both online and offline. We pray for all suffering in such ways, and all fearful of disclosing their stories through feelings of shame. We pray for an ending to exploitation, abuse, trafficking, torture and all forms of violence against children, as well as elimination of all harmful practices. Locally we pray for the people of Ledgers Meadow, that they may feel the safety and generosity of a kind neighbourhood.

**Tue Nov 19**<sup>th</sup> - On World Toilet Day we note that this essential space, at the centre of our lives, should be safe and secure. But sanitation is under threat from conflict, climate change, disasters and neglect. We pray for faster action to improve and protect people's access to sanitation, critical to building a fairer, more peaceful world. We pray that Governments ensure that sanitation and water services are resilient, effective, accessible to everyone and shielded from harm. Locally we pray for the people of Leyton Lea and for the ways in which they help to create a community that feels safe, confident and supportive.

**Wed Nov 20**<sup>th</sup> - On Universal Children's Day we remember children across the globe, that they all have a right to a safe, loving childhood. We pray for greater acknowledgement of and determination to meet the needs of children for a decent home, clean water, enough nutritious food, protection from harm, access to education, healthcare and maintenance of legal rights. We pray for all whose childhood is blighted through negligence, abuse, poverty, conflict and violence. Locally we pray for the people working in healthcare, doctors, nurses, social care workers, that they may feel the comfort and presence of God.

**Thu Nov 21**<sup>st</sup> - We pray for those responsible for the state of our waters in and around the UK. We pray for greater accountability, for a greater sense of responsibility from shareholders of water companies and successive governments who have overseen decades of under-investment and appalling pollution of our waters. Locally we pray for local shopkeepers, who may sense the beauty and bounty of God's creation.

**Fri Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>** - We pray for those who have been subjected to ridicule, bullying, to contempt and abuse, to words and actions of hate. We pray that we learn not to take out our feelings of anger, fear or frustration on others, but to find safe and fair ways of expressing and managing them. We pray for all who have been targets of bullying, discrimination and hate crimes. We pray for the people of Lodge Lane, their families and friends, that they may feel part of a community of kindness and friendship.

**Sat Nov 23<sup>rd</sup>** - We pray for all our preparations for Christmas, for our Christmas Tree Festival, for all who will contribute to our Christmas worship and all who will attend one of the many events that are being planned. We pray that by hearing of the incantation all who come to this place might learn something of the grace of God who loved us so much that he came to earth in the form of a child. We pray locally for the people of London Lane, that they may feel the security and dignity of a warm, inclusive community.

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