

PEW SHEET Sunday, December 19th 2021 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am Low Mass

Homily: Fr Alex

9.15am Family Service

Homily: Catherine Beaumont

10.45am Sung Mass

Homily: The Revd Canon Bernard Gribbin **6.30pm Festival of Lessons and Carols**

Fr Bernard's 60th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood falls on Sunday, December 19th. He will be preaching at the Sung Mass. You are all invited to share in wine and nibbles in the Parish Hall following the service.

If you would like to attend the Crib Service on Christmas Eve book your place(s) now at <u>bit.ly/ilkleycrib</u>. Speak to Vickie if you are not online!

10.45AM SUNG MASS

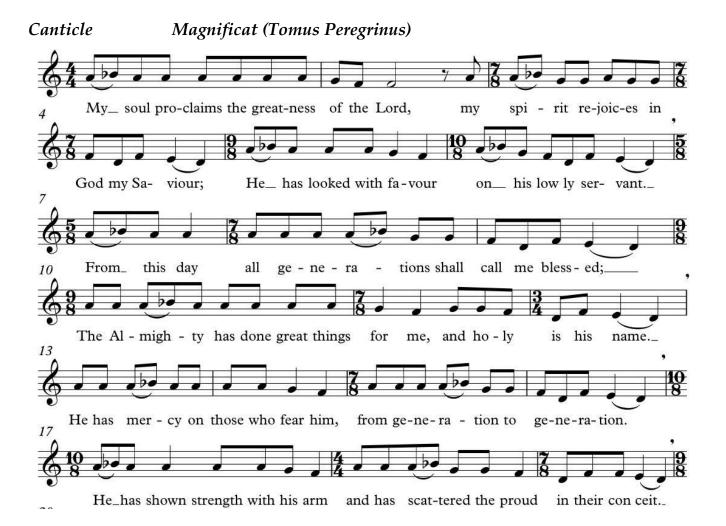
Mass Setting Palestrina: Missa Aeterna Christi Munera

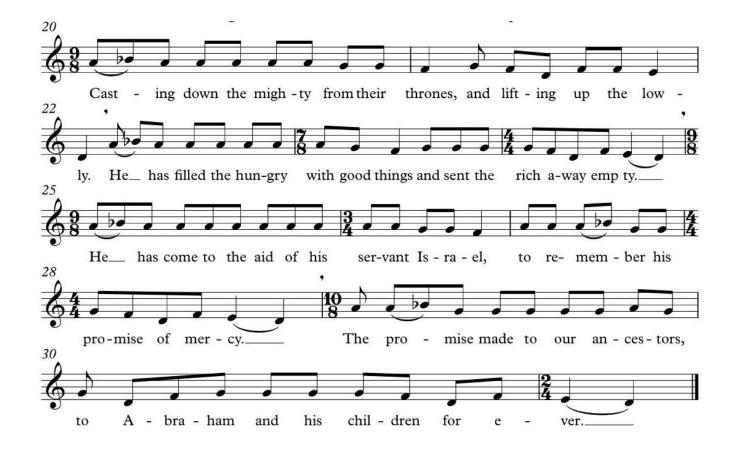
Opening Hymn 369

Collect God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading Micah. 5. 2-5a

But you, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labour has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace. If the Assyrians come into our land and tread upon our soil, we will raise against them seven shepherds and eight installed as rulers.





Gospel Acclamation 'Rorate caeli desuper'

Drop down, O heavens,
Pour on earth your righteousness.
Bring forth our saviour,
Show the glory of our God:
Alleluia

Gospel Reading Luke 1. 39-45

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

Homily The Revd Canon Bernard Gribbin

Offertory Hymn 10

Communion Anthem Duruflé: Ubi caritas

Where there is charity and love, there God is: the love of Christ has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be glad in him let us fear and love the living God, and let us love one another with a pure heart. Where there is charity and love, there God is. Amen.

Communion Hymn 431

Post Communion Prayer Heavenly Father, who chose the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of the promised saviour: fill us your servants with your grace, that in all things we may embrace your holy will and with her rejoice in your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn 14

Organ Postlude Bach: Fugue à la gigue

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6.30 PM FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

In our Prayers

Departed David Glover

Years' Mind

Sunday Vera Padgett

Monday Bill and Mary Partner, Mary Wilson

Tuesday Ethel Perks, Helen Johnstone

Wednesday Jack Kidd, George Edwin Twigg (Eddy), David Hartley

Thursday Hector Newton, Roy Walker, Richard Coakes

Friday John Fielding Lawson, Brenda Barrett

Saturday John Bryan, Timothy Halton, Winifred Mary Johnstone,

Arthur Marshall, Geoffrey Newton

Please pray for the sick: Trevor Allen, Anna-Karin, Christine Atkinson, Thomas Harrison, Jenny Hughes, Fr Garth Kellett, Anna Lickley, Charlotte Lockhart, David Scottow, Peter Waterhouse.

Please contact Fr Alex or Vickie if you would like to add someone to our prayer list.

THIS WEEK

Services This Week

Morning Prayer: Tuesday to Friday at 7.45 am Evening Prayer: Tuesday to Friday at 5.15 pm Midweek Mass on Tuesday: at 6.15 pm

Midweek Mass on Thursday: at 11.00 am followed by coffee

and social time in the Parish Hall

This year's **BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE** will take place at Christchurch on Thursday, **23 December at 10.30 am.** The past couple of years have been tough for most of us, but if you are especially struggling - perhaps bereaved, anxious or lonely - maybe this service is for you. Honest about the pain, but looking forward to the hope that Christmas brings, 'Blue Christmas' is a simple service for people who may find it hard to celebrate this year.

<u>Christmas Services</u> <u>at St. Margaret's</u>

<u>Friday: Christmas Eve</u> <u>CRIB SERVICE at 4.00 pm</u>

Book your ticket at bit.ly/ilkleycrib

MIDNIGHT MASS at 10.30 pm

Saturday: CHRISTMAS DAY
PARISH MASS at 10.00 am

This Christmas morning service lasts around an hour and is suitable for the whole family.

NEXT SUNDAY

SUNDAY 26 DECEMBER ST STEPHEN

Low Mass at 8.00 am Parish Mass at 10.00 am

NEXT WEEK

MONDAY 27 DECEMBER ST JOHN

Low Mass at 9.00 am

TUESDAY 28 DECEMBER

HOLY INNOCENTS

Low Mass at 9.00 am

SATURDAY 1 JANUARY

NAMING OF JESUS

Low Mass at 9.00 am

SUNDAY 2 JANUARY THE SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Low Mass at 8.00 am

Parish Mass at 10.00 am

There is no family service at 9.15 am or Sung Mass at 10.45 am on Sunday, January 2nd

THURSDAY 6 JANUARY EPIPHANY

Mid Week Mass at 11.00 am followed by coffee and social time

Sung Mass for the Epiphany at 7.30 pm

Sung Mass will include the tradition of the Blessing of the Chalk, and we will pray God's blessing on our church.

Chalk will be available to take home, with a little card for inscribing the blessing on the doors of your homes.

DIARY DATES

Friday, January 7th: Playtime takes place in the Parish Hall at 9.30 am

Organ Recital

Friday, January 7th at 12.30 pm

A few months ago I performed the first two movements of Percy Whitlock's massive and glorious sonata. This time, we shall hear a cheeky, very attractive Scherzetto, followed by the grand, very expansive and ultimately very moving finale, merely headed 'Choral' (the German spelling of Chorale, or hymn). After various episodes which continue to develop various themes including some introduced in the first movement, it culminates in a fabulous passage, the apotheosis of one of the principal themes, rather in the manner of Rachmaninov, but uniquely Whitlockian! We also mark the centenary of Saint-Saens's death in late December 1921 with a late Fantaisie in C written in 1919. Christopher

Worldwide Wave of Prayer

Saturday, January 8th: St Margaret's Mothers' Union members will be taking part in the Worldwide Wave of Prayer on Saturday, 8th January when we invite members of All Saints' branch to join us in church at 10.00 am to pray for our link dioceses overseas.

Sunday, January 16th: The Service of Confirmation takes place on Sunday, January 16th at 10.45 am when we welcome Bishop Toby Howarth. All are welcome. There will be no family service on this Sunday.

Wake and Bake Cake Sale Sunday, January 16th

St Margaret's Mission Fund Cake Sale takes place on Sunday, January 16th after Sung Mass. All cakes welcomed. Please bring them to the Parish Hall from 8.30 am on the day of the sale or ring Linda Whittaker on 601144.

NOTICES

Many thanks to all who supported the **Christmas Stall and Raffle** last Sunday enabling us to contribute over £200 to the Mothers' Union Away From It All Holidays for disadvantaged families.

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St Margaret's Christmas Appeal 2021



This year's appeal will be split between St Margaret's and our nominated charity Leeds Autism Services.

"Leeds Autism Services is a charity dedicated to helping create a more autism friendly society. We have been helping people with autism to reach their true potential for over 30 years." LAS work mostly includes providing support to autistic adults at home, in the community or at one of their dedicated bases. Its 1:1 vocational and community services include leisure activities, help with health, learning new skills, help with communication, emotional or practical support, help with behaviour problems, getting out and meeting people. It has several residential houses, including one which supports Christopher Baggaley, whose late parents were active and much-loved members of the St Margaret's congregation.

Donations can be made at our main Christmas services or by direct bank transfer (see below). If you can Gift Aid, please use the envelopes provided and mark your donation "Christmas" or email the Stewardship Secretary at astretton1@virginmedia.com.

Account name: St Margaret's Parochial Church Council 1131220

Sort code: 20-11-81

Account number: 40101516

Please use the reference: Christmas

Thank you.