



WELCOME TO ST CHAD LADYBARN

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"I will greatly rejoice in the Lord ..." Isaiah 61:10



Gospel acclamation Reader: Alleluia! Alleluia! Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favourably on his people and redeemed them. **Response: Alleluia!**

This morning's music

82 Christ, whose glory fills the skies
 638 Rejoice, the Lord is King!
 378 Jesus call us here to meet him
 774 Thy kingdom come, O God
 140 Come thou, long expected Jesus
Elgar: Vesper Voluntary no 8

This morning's readings

Isaiah 61.1-4,8-11 (Reader: Diane Wynn);
 Psalm 126; **1 Thessalonians 5.16-24**
 (Reader: Laverne Ward); **John 1.6-8,19-28**
 (Gospeller: Opal Walsh)
 Intercessor: Leslie Fletcher

Today's Eucharistic Prayer: B

At the lighting of 3rd Advent candle

Lord Jesus, light of the world, John told the people to prepare, for you were very near. As Christmas grows closer day by day, help us to be ready to welcome you now.

Collect for the 3rd Sunday of Advent

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Post-Communion for Advent

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal.

Tea and coffee are served in the Hall after the service - all welcome

Readings next Sunday, 4th Sunday of Advent (Readings now Year B):

2 Samuel 7.1-11,16 (reader: Kathleen Mulligan); Psalm 89; **Romans 16.25-27** (reader: Barbara Purvis); **Luke 1.26-38** (Gospeller: Colin Powell). **Intercessor:** Judy Fletcher.

This morning

£ We have now fully paid our Parish Share – the money we pay to the Diocese each year to support its mission, particularly clergy salaries. Please take a chocolate on the way out to celebrate paying what is always our biggest bill. £

This evening

6.00pm Carol Service, with special carols sung by our extended choir. Mince pies and other seasonal refreshments afterwards.

Next week and further ahead

Monday 18 December Carol singing in the "Courts": 7.15pm Mayes Court, 8.00 pm Oak Court
 Tuesday 19 December 10.00am Morning Prayer (in the Community Hall)
 Wednesday 20 December Carol singing in the "Courts": 7.15pm Royle Court, 8.00 pm Rowan Court.
 Thursday 21 December 10.00am Morning Prayer (in the Community Hall)
 10.00am Holy Communion

Christmas services

Christmas Eve:	10.00am Parish Eucharist
	11.30pm First Communion of Christmas
Christmas Day:	10.00am Holy Communion with carols and sermon
New Year's Eve	10.00am Parish Eucharist
Sunday 7 January	10.00am Parish Eucharist for The Epiphany

Christmas Greetings Board

Please contribute a picture, Christmas card, poem or other form of Christmas greeting to the smart new greetings board, rather than sending multiple cards to people in the congregation. Donate money saved to the Children's Society.

Reverse Advent calendar

Talk to Leslie Fletcher about Christmas gifts for the Winter Night Shelter – he will get them to the right place.

