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Services next week in the Parish - 1st December 2024 Advent Sunday

9.30am St Hugh's - Joint Parish Service of Holy Communion

4.15pm St John's - Christingle

Hymn

**Rejoice the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore.**

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

**Jesus the Saviour reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above.**

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; ...

**His kingdom cannot fail,
he rules o'er earth and heav'n;
the keys of death and hell
are to our Jesus giv'n.**

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; ...

**He sits at God's right hand
till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command,
and fall beneath his feet.**

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; ...

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All and also with you.

Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth
Lord God heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks.
we praise you for your glory.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

Collect

Reading Revelation 1: 4b - 8

At the end of the reading

For the gift of your holy word

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble;
were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble;
were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble;
were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

The Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia. You, Christ, are the King of glory,
the eternal Son of the Father.

All Alleluia.

Here the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you O Christ.

Sermon

The Creed

Let us stand and declare our faith in God.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

To the words ‘Lord in your mercy’ would you please respond **‘Hear our prayer’**. *And at the end*

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus says, ‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.’
So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins
in penitence and faith.

The kingdom is yours,
but we turn away from your just rule:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The power is yours,
but we trust in our own power and strength:
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

The glory is yours,
but we fall short of the glory of God:
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Period of silent reflection

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ
has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,
forgive you your sins, open our eyes to God’s truth,
strengthen you to do God’s will and give you the joy of his
kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The children are welcomed from their worship and notices are given.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

To crown all things there must be love,
to bind all together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

Hymn during which the collection will be taken. If you are UK tax payer please consider placing your donation in the gift aid envelopes in the pews and filling out the details, this is a real help to us. There is a contactless giving machine available as you leave Church if you would prefer to give in this way.

**Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
those wounds yet visible above,
in beauty glorified;
no angels in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye
at mysteries so bright.**

**Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
and all be prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end,
and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.**

**Crown him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime:
all hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.**

Preparation of the Table

Blessed be God, who enthrones us with Christ in the heavenly realms.
May we feed upon the bread of God and drink the royal wine of
heaven. Blessed be God for ever.

All Blessed be God for ever.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord is here.

All His Spirit is with us.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

The president praises God for his mighty acts and all respond

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The president recalls the Last Supper

Great is the mystery of faith

**All Christ has died
Christ is risen
Christ will come again.**

The prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us so we pray:

All Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in the one bread.**

Agnus Dei

**All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

**All Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

The president and people receive communion. Everyone is very welcome to receive the bread and wine whether you've been baptised or confirmed. Please come forward at the direction of the Church Wardens. At the distribution of the bread and wine these words will be said

The body of Christ keep you in eternal life
The blood of Christ keep you in eternal life

The communicant replies **Amen.**

During communion, after the anthem please join in with singing

Hymn

**My Jesus, my saviour,
Lord there is none like you.
All of my days, I want to praise
the wonders of your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
tower of refuge and strength,
let every breath, all that I am,
never cease to worship you.**

**Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing,
power and majesty, praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar
at the sound of your name.
I sing for joy at the work of your hands.
Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have
in you.**

Prayer after Communion

The Post-Communion prayer is said

**All God of our pilgrimage, you have fed us with the bread of
heaven. Refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our
journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Hymn

**Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
*Yours, the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal name!***

**Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:
*Yours, the glory and the crown,***

**Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:**

Yours, the glory and the crown,

**Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:**

Yours, the glory and the crown,

**So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:**

Yours, the glory and the crown,

Blessing and Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

NOTICES

REFRESHMENTS - Tea/coffee/juice and biscuits will be served in the Hall after this service. Everyone is very welcome to join us.

ADVENT SUNDAY - Please note that next Sunday, 1st December, there will be one service in the morning which will be at St Hugh's Church at **9.30am** which will be Holy Communion. There will be the Christingle Service at St John's at 4.15pm.

HELP PLEASE! - After the service it would be great if people could help with setting up the Christmas trees on the stage in the Hall, so that Father Christmas and all who visit him will enjoy the Winter Wonderland!

WEDNESDAY COFFEE - Wednesday coffee is extremely well received and gets very busy. A big thank you to everyone who comes who donate very generously, each month this year we have given around £100 to charity. A big thank you to all the helpers too, we couldn't serve the community this way without you. If you would like to offer help please do pop in and speak to us, we are a very friendly group, or just pop in to say hello. A representative from other agencies occasionally attend, this week Habib from Bradford Council came along offering support and advice. He thoroughly enjoyed his time with us and we appreciate him calling in.

MEDECINS SANS FRONTIERES - is our charity of the month for November. MSF teams of doctors act fast to save people's lives in conflict zones, natural disasters and epidemics in over 70 countries of the world. In a conflict, MSF doctors don't take sides. They go where the medical need is greatest. They provide free medical care, regardless of a person's ethnicity, religion or politics. MSF is mainly funded by donations from the public; rarely by governments. And so MSF is free to act fast to get to the front line in a crisis. MSF is currently working in many places including Gaza, Lebanon and Ukraine. You can make a donation towards the work of MSF by BACS through the parish bank account using the reference MEDSAN.

ADVENT CONVERSATIONS - During the season of preparation for Christmas which can be busy, it is good to set time aside to meet together to reflect on waiting for the birth of Jesus. This year we will be reading the book *'Do Not Be Afraid: The Joy of Waiting in a Time of Fear'* by Rachel Mann. There is a short passage for each day, with a prayer and a few questions to ponder. We will meet as a group on Tuesdays 26 Nov, 3, 10, 17 Dec, 12 noon - 2.00pm over a simple lunch in the Lounge at St James. There will also be another chance to drop-in at the Halfway House on Tuesday evenings, 8.30—9.30pm. If you would like a copy of the book costing £10.99, please let Revd Ruth know by Monday 18 November. It also comes as an ebook. For those unable to come to the advent course in person there is an opportunity to join a WhatsApp discussion group. If you'd like to join please text Carolyn on 07848821075.

CHRISTINGLE - Our Christingle Service this year is next Sunday 1st December at 4.15pm at St John's Church. During this service everyone is encouraged to make a donation to the work of the Children's Society. This year the Society have produced some lovely collecting candles, which are available at the back of church for you to use. In the Parish the Children's Society is our charity for January so please return these at the Christingle Service or during the month of January.

JULIAN MEETING- The November meeting of the Julian Group is cancelled. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 18th December at '48 Hoyle Court Road' 2.00pm. Everyone is welcome.

CHRISTMAS MARKET – With thanks to all those who have volunteered, I'm delighted to say that we will be holding our annual Christmas Market on Saturday 30th November in St John's Church Hall

from 10am to 2pm. **NOW WE NEED DONATIONS!** From Sunday 17th November there will be boxes at the back of each church to receive prizes for the following -

- bottle tombola
- usual tombola
- hamper items for the luxury raffle.
- jigsaws

We would be pleased to receive donations of cakes on Friday 29th November in the Church Hall. We hope you will be able to join us for this annual event.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL - We are really excited to tell you about a new event in our parish. The Christmas Tree Festival will take place at St John's for three weekends during Advent. The church will be full of trees and lights, entertainment and music from choirs and bands. Local groups, organisations and businesses will be decorating a tree themed around their activity. The church will be beautifully light with hundreds of twinkling lights. There will also be a Mouse Hunt for the children and Guess the Bear's name to win a very big brown bear, plus a festive café and the Parish Stall. Best of all, this very festive event is FREE! Programmes will be available for £3. The Festival runs on Saturday 30th November and Sunday 1st December, Friday 6th to Sunday 8th and 13th to 15th December. Opening times are: Friday/Saturday 10am to 4pm, Sundays 12 noon to 4pm. Tell your friends and neighbours!

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL HELPERS - Are you interested in helping us with the Festival? We would like volunteers for two roles: Welcome Table to sell programmes (seated) and Festive Café staff (preparing and selling hot/cold drinks and mince pies). There are two-hour slots to fill over the three weekends in December. Please put your name on the list at the back of church if you'd like to join the Festival crew. Thank you in advance.

BELLOWS BAUBLES AND BELLS – Bradford Accordion Band will be joining us on Saturday 14th December at 2pm in the Church for an afternoon of festive entertainment. Tickets cost £7 for adults and £3 for children and are available from Loraine Radcliffe and in any of the churches after service. There will be a raffle, and refreshments will be available during the interval.

Giving to the Parish

You can help to **make a difference** to support the work of our parish. We've made it easier for you to help, you can now donate in more ways to suit you:



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