



**St John
the Evangelist**
NEW HINKSEY



St Laurence
SOUTH HINKSEY

Advent Sunday 1 December 2024

Welcome to Church! Our readings and prayers this morning can be found over the page and in the orders of service.

Please join us for a hot drink and a chat after the Eucharist!

HYMNS:

Litany on page 69 of the Prayer Books

Gradual: 501, v. 1

Offertory: 7

Communion: 8 (ii)

Recessional: 11

Today Fr Thomas Fink-Jensen is the Celebrant and preacher.

If you are new: welcome! Do please introduce yourself after the service and/or fill in one of our contact cards and we will get in touch with you.

The Parish of South with New Hinksey

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COLLECT

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. **Amen.**

EPISTLE

Romans 13:8-14

A reading from the epistle of St Paul to the Romans

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet", and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armour of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarrelling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:1-13

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory be to Thee, O Lord

Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two

disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them', and he will send them at once." This took place to fulfil what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Say to the daughter of Zion 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'"

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer', but you make it a den of robbers."

This is the gospel of the Lord
Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O Lord our God, as we wait for the coming of thy Son our Lord, preserve us in watchfulness and faith, that when he shall appear he may not find us asleep in sin but active to serve him and joyful to praise him; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday 15 Dec 4pm: Christmas Carol Service @ St Laurence

Christmas Eve:

4pm Crib Service @ St John's
8.30pm Midnight Mass - St Laurence
10pm Midnight Mass @ St John's

Christmas Day:

10am at both our churches.

NOTICES

Monday mornings at St John's:
8.30 Morning Prayer, 9-10.30 work,
10.30 Mass, 11am cake.

This Wednesday 7.30pm **Book Club** at the Vicarage as we finish *the Didache*.

Thursday 9-10am **Exposition** of the Blessed Sacrament at St John's.

Do join this Friday's first installment of the **Advent Poetry Group** (and on the 20th): looking at the poetry of Elizabeth Barrett Browning.
7.30pm start at 66 Norreys Avenue.

St Laurence cleaning: Saturday 7 December (and every 1st Saturday in the month): 10am Morning Prayer, 10.30am cleaning, 11.30am coffee & cookies. Most welcome.

Messy Church at St John's this Saturday 11am-1pm for all children with parents/carers. Crafts, Bible story, prayers, singing, and lunch - all for free and excellent fun.

ST JOHN'S 125 YEARS

This Friday December 6th St John's was dedicated 124 years. For it's 125th year, the PCC hopes to organise many a festive event and raise money towards developing a choir and extended music ministry.

The first of these events takes place at St John's on Thursday 19

December 7.30pm. There will be free access to a **double concert** by our own Mark Norman & Matti Veldhuis with some special guests. Do join them, and bring friends!

EPISCOPAL VISIT

The heating and new LED lighting at St John's now work! **Bishop Paul** will D.V. come to bless both of these at a High Mass on Sunday 8 December 3pm (note the odd starting time!) followed by High Tea.

There will be a 10.45am said mass for those who can't make the afternoon, but we hope as many as possible are able to join in the afternoon festivities.

Do pray especially for *Jim* and *Amir* to be baptised and/or confirmed.

NEXT SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S

- Mon-Sat 8.30am Morning Prayer
- Monday 10.30am Mass
- Wednesday 7pm Mass
- Sat 11am-1pm Messy Church
- Sunday 10.45am Mass
- Sunday 3pm High Mass with Baptism and Confirmations

NEXT SERVICES AT ST LAURENCE

- Sun 8/12 - *Advent II* - 9.15am BCP Morning Prayer
- Sun 15/12 - *Advent III* - 9.15am Holy Communion & 4pm Christmas Carol Service