



## The Priory Church of Jesus Christ Ascot

### This Week at the Priory The Priory will be closed on Tuesday Monday, Wednesday - Friday

8:40am Morning Prayer  
9:00am Mass  
5:00pm Evening Prayer

### December 24<sup>th</sup> Advent 4 10:00am Solemn Mass



**Christmas Eve December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
11:30pm Christmas Midnight Mass  
**Christmas Day December 25<sup>th</sup>**  
10:00am Solemn Mass

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia** The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me. He has sent me to bring good news to the poor. **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Hymn: 128**

### For your prayers this week

**Pray for** The Diocese of Myanmar Abp. Stephen Than Myint Oo, Jonathan Bishop of Ebbsfleet and the Bishops and Parishes of the Society. Bp. Philip North. All Saints, Small Heath, Fr Oliver Coss. St Saviour, Saltley, Fr Alan Thompson. St Barnabas, Balsall Heath, Vacant. St Agatha, Sparkbrook, Vacant. St Mark, Kingstanding, Fr Philip Calvert.

**Pray for** this Priory, Fr. Paul and the Trustees  
**Pray for** the peace of the world.

**Pray for those in need:** the poor, the hungry, the homeless, the unemployed, for refugees, for all victims of terrorism, cruelty or abuse, the lonely, the frightened, the despairing and the bereaved.

**Pray for** those who are sick or in need: Simon Plummer, John Clothier, Naomi Puttick, Derek & Barbara Scroggins, Ray Cook, Patti Sibbons, Lisa Bradley, Vienne Moore, Helen Coles, Karen, Jacqui, Jill Butcher, Helen, Elizabeth Wright, Johara

Valenzuela, Duncan Payne, Marion Mills and family, Marjorie Saunders.

**Pray for the Departed:** Clifford Gray, Fr. Alexander Macknochie, Bp. Michael Houghton, Bp. Gerald Douglas, John Comper, Edward Wood, Bp. Gwilym Williams,

### Readings for Next Week: Advent 4

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16  
Romans 16:25-27  
Luke 1:267-38



Today we light the Third Candle of Advent, the Candle of Love. In their old age God gave to Zechariah and Elisabeth a son called John. John spoke to the people bravely in the desert denying his own comforts and prepared to die for what he believed. John taught that we should share what we have with others, treat each other kindly and show God's love. He did this because he cared for people and wanted them to repent and find God's forgiveness.

*(The Third Candle is lit)*

Love is like a candle shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle we celebrate the love we have in Christ.

Let us pray:

**All: Lord God, Your witness John the Baptist grew up strong in spirit and prepared people for the coming of the Lord. He loved your people and baptized them in the River Jordan to wash away their sins. Help us to have the same love that we would be witnesses to him and spread the good news of your love. As Christmas draws closer day by day, help us to be ready to welcome him. Amen**

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