

A warm welcome from St Edmund's Parish Church

Sunday 22nd December 2024 The fourth Sunday of Advent

*We extend a warm welcome to everyone who will
worship with us whether in church or at home.*

8am HOLY COMMUNION

Revd Michelle Lepine is presiding and preaching.

10am PARISH COMMUNION

Revd Michelle Lepine is presiding and preaching.

This service will be available on-line.

Our live streamed services are shared live on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/StEdsRoundhay>

You do not need a Facebook account to watch them.

Services this week

Tuesday 24th December

CHRISTMAS EVE

4pm Crib Service

6pm Crib Service

11.30pm Midnight Mass.

Wednesday 25th December

CHRISTMAS DAY

8am Holy Communion

11am Family Service.

Services next Sunday

Sunday 29th December

The first Sunday of Christmas

8am Holy Communion,
Book of Common Prayer

10am Café Carols.

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**COLLECT FOR THE
FOURTH SUNDAY OF
ADVENT**

**Eternal God,
as Mary waited for the birth of
your Son, so we wait for his
coming in glory;
bring us through the birth pangs
of this present age
to see, with her,
our great salvation
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen**

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 10:5-10

⁵ Consequently, when Christ came into the world, he said, ‘Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; ⁶ in burnt-offerings and sin-offerings you have taken no pleasure. ⁷ Then I said, “See, God, I have come to do your will, O God” (in the scroll of the book it is written of me).’

⁸ When he said above, ‘You have neither desired nor taken pleasure

in sacrifices and offerings and burnt-offerings and sin-offerings’ (these are offered according to the law), ⁹ then he added, ‘See, I have come to do your will.’ He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. ¹⁰ And it is by God’s will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 1:39-55

**Mary Visits Elizabeth
& Mary’s Song of Praise**

³⁹ In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, ⁴⁰ where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴² and exclaimed with a loud cry, ‘Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. ⁴³ And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? ⁴⁴ For as



soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. ⁴⁵ And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.’

⁴⁶ And Mary said,
‘My soul magnifies the Lord,
⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
⁴⁸ for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.

Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;
⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

⁵⁰ His mercy is for those who fear him
from generation to generation.

⁵¹ He has shown strength with his arm;

he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

⁵² He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,
and lifted up the lowly;

⁵³ he has filled the hungry with

good things,

and sent the rich away empty.

⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel,
in remembrance of his mercy,

⁵⁵ according to the promise he made to our ancestors,

to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.’

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who have asked for prayer:

*Rosie, Sarah, The Wood Family,
Paul & Julie, Rose, Richard,
Jocelyn, Aggie, Stephen, Hilary,
Clare, Mary Lu and Pat.*

The departed and their families,

*among them Howard Carter,
Jo Wright’s father and
Leslie Naylor, Madeleine Watson’s
father.*

Andy, our CMS mission partner in Brazil, and his family.

*Andi & Kati’s latest letter from
Brazil will be found here:*

[Andy & Kati](#)

NEWS AND NOTICES

"CAFE CAROLS"

10am Sunday 29th December.

Carols in an informal setting for the Sunday after Christmas. Come and choose a carol that you haven't yet sung!

ST EDMUND'S FLOWER GROUP are meeting to arrange flowers in church on Monday 23rd December from 9.30am.

The theme for this year's arrangements is Follow The Star ...Calm & Bright'. Donations towards the cost of flowers in church are always welcome. Anyone who would be interested in joining the flower arranging group should contact Christine Hinchcliffe, on 07870 528 450 or email christinehinchcliffe@gmail.com

TEA COSY+ Memory Cafe for those living with dementia will be on Thursday 9th January 11-1.30 at The Highwood Building, Brackenwood Drive, off Lidgett Lane. We will be enjoying singing, reminiscing, group conversation, a craft activity and music quiz and offering support for carers. A light lunch will be provided including hot drinks, homemade sandwiches and cakes. £3 per person. If you have a question to ask then please do contact Susie Broome on 2666476 or Gillian Mathie on 2888633.

THE MORNING BIBLE STUDY GROUP meets on Monday 6th January at the back of the Church from 10:30 till 12. We start with a chat and coffee, with the main meeting starting at 11. We will be looking at the following Sunday's readings, Isaiah 43:1-7 and Luke 3:15-17 & 21-22. Do come along or speak to Penny Gray.

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS are always available at Communion: please ask.

Christingle



Please join us for the Christingle service on
Sunday 12th January at 4pm

THE JULIAN PRAYER MEETING, meets on Thursday 9th January at 2pm.

We are an ecumenical group following the traditions of Julian of Norwich, meeting for a guided short reflection and a time of contemplative prayer, followed by refreshments if you would like to stay on for that. More information is available from Julie Meakin: jpmeakin@hotmail.co.uk or Terry Robson: terry1robson@icloud.com

THE ROUNDHAY QUAKERS WILL WELCOME EVERYONE on Monday 27th January, from 12 midday to 1.30pm, at 136 Street Lane to a soup lunch in aid of Christian Aid.

HELP, volunteers are needed for Sunday coffee/tea rota. If you are able to help please get in touch with Anne Sampford on 07802 483386 or email brian.sampford@hotmail.co.uk

**A reminder that the deadline for the news sheet is
12 NOON ON WEDNESDAY.
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