All Saints: The Parish Church of St Ives

Welcome to All Saints today

15 November 2026

The Second Sunday before Advent



SERVICES TODAY

10.15 Sung Parish Eucharist
16.00 Contemplative Prayer

Services and events for this Week

Tuesday and Friday: Morning Prayer will be said at 09.05

16 Mon	19.00	Bellringing Practice
17 Tues	10–12	Community Café in Church
19 Thurs	15:00	Dementia-friendly Tea Service
	19:30	Choir Practice
20 Fri	10–12	Community Café in Church
	21.00	Compline (Zoom 818 0346 5483 & Ma55)

NEXT SUNDAY, 22 November
The Feast of Christ the King
10.15 Sung Parish Eucharist

Please take this booklet with you when you leave

If you are new or just visiting, please do stay in Church after the service for coffee and fellowship.

Please note that wherever indications for posture are given in this booklet, they are for guidance only. Should it suit you better to adopt an alternative posture please feel free to do so.

Large print copies and gluten-free wafers are available. Please ask a steward if you need either of these.

This service is livestreamed on Zoom. Photography and video recording are not otherwise permitted, although official photographs may be taken. If you would prefer not to be included, please speak to a steward.

Please remember in your prayers

THE SICK:

Val Atkinson, Elizabeth Bacon, Jane Barker, Sylvia Boyce, Dorothy Goodhew, Christopher Jackson, Sally Jackson, Harold Marie, Gillian Shire, Mike Tassell, Christine Vardy, Roger Vardy, Gwyneth Wilson, Karina Woods.

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¶ *Stand when the bell is rung for the* **Processional Hymn**

Ye servants of the Lord,
Each for your Master wait,
Observant of his heavenly word,
And watchful at his gate.

Let all your lamps be bright,
And trim the golden flame;
Gird up your loins, as in his sight,
For awesome is his name.

Watch: 'tis your Lord's command;
And while we speak he's near;
Mark the first signal of his hand,
And ready all appear.

O happy servants we,
In such employment found!
We shall our Lord with rapture see,
And be with honour crowned.

Christ shall the banquet spread
With his own royal hand,
And raise each faithful servant's head
Amid the angelic band.

Words: Philip Doddridge (1702–1751)
Tune *Nazarena*: William Henry Havergal (1793–1870), adapted from a melody in Johannes Leisentritt's *Catholicum Hymnlologium* (1584)

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Invocation and Greeting**

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

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

¶ *Remain standing for the* **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.

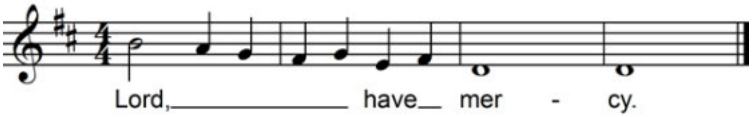
Lord, you are gracious and compassionate: Lord, have mercy.



You are loving to all, and your mercy is over all your creation:
Christ, have mercy.



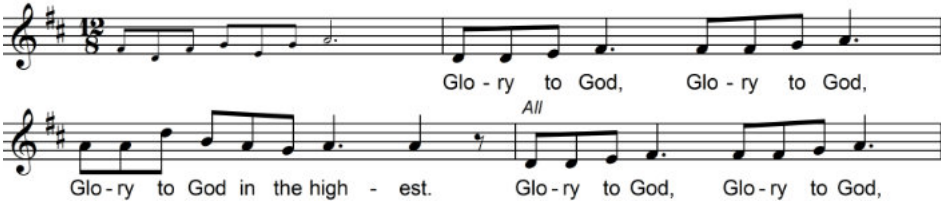
Your faithful servants bless your name, and speak of the glory of your kingdom: Lord, have mercy.



Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, † forgive you your sins, open your 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. **Amen.**

¶ *Stand for the* **Gloria in Excelsis**

Setting Mass for All Saints: Martin Everett




Glo - ry to God in the high - est and peace to his peo - ple,
peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord God, hea-ven - ly King, al -
migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high-est.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy, have mer - cy on
us. You are sea - ted at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re-
ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God,
Glo-ry to God in the high - est. For you a-lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a-lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit in the glo - ry of
God, of God the Fa - ther. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high-est.
A - men, A - men, A - - - - - - - men.

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Collect**

The priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, hose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

¶ *Sit for the* **First Reading** (Zephaniah 1.7, 12–18)

At the end the reader says:
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

¶ *Remain seated for the* **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps. 90)
and join in singing the Response
Response and Chant: MHE



O, Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to the next.
Before the mountains were born
or the earth or the world brought forth,
you are God, without beginning or end. *(Response)*

You turn us back to dust
and say: 'Go back, children of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. *(Response)*

You sweep us away like a dream,
like the grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. *(Response)*

So we are destroyed in your anger,
struck with terror in your fury.
Our guilt lies open before you;
our secrets in the light of your face. *(Response)*

¶ *Remain seated for the* **Second Reading** (1 Thessalonians 5.1–11)

At the end the reader says:
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

¶ *Stand for the* **Gospel Acclamation**
and turn towards the Gospel reader



Cantor Even if you have to die, says the Lord,
keep faithful and I will give you the crown of life.
All **Alleluia** *(as above)*

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Gospel** (Matthew 25.14–30)

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel the reader says:
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

¶ *Sit for the* **Sermon**

The Revd Andrew Body

¶ *Stand for the* **Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

It is customary to bow for the next paragraph
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

¶ *Kneel or sit for the* **Intercessions**

The priest introduces the intercessions
Let us with confidence present our prayers and supplications to the throne of grace.

To the bidding Lord, in your mercy;
Please respond by saying **hear our prayer.**

After the prayer for the faithful departed the intercessor says:

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord
And let light perpetual shine upon them.
May they rest in peace **and rise in glory.**

Silence is kept and the priest says a concluding prayer.

¶ *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

¶ *Stand for 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
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Offertory Hymn**

A collection is taken for the mission and upkeep of the Church.
The Altar is prepared and gifts of bread and wine are placed on it.

Now, from the heavens descending,
Is seen a glorious light,
The Bride of Christ in splendour,
Arrayed in purest white.
She is the Holy City,
Whose radiance is the grace
Of all the saints in glory,
From every time and place.

This is the hour of gladness
For Bridegroom and for bride;
The Lamb's great feast is ready;
His bride is at his side.
How blest are those invited
To share his wedding-feast:
The least become the greatest,
The greatest are the least.

He who is throned in heaven
Takes up his dwelling-place
Among his chosen people
Who see him face to face.
No sound is heard of weeping,
For pain and sorrow cease,
And sin shall reign no longer,
But love and joy and peace.

See how a new creation
Is brought at last to birth,
A new and glorious heaven,
A new and glorious earth.
Death's power for ever broken,
Its empire swept away,
The promised dawn of glory,
Begins its endless day.

Words: James Quinn, SJ (1919–2010)
Tune *Aurelia*: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–1876)

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Prayer Over the Gifts**

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.

¶ *Remain standing* ***throughout*** *the* **Eucharistic Prayer (G)**

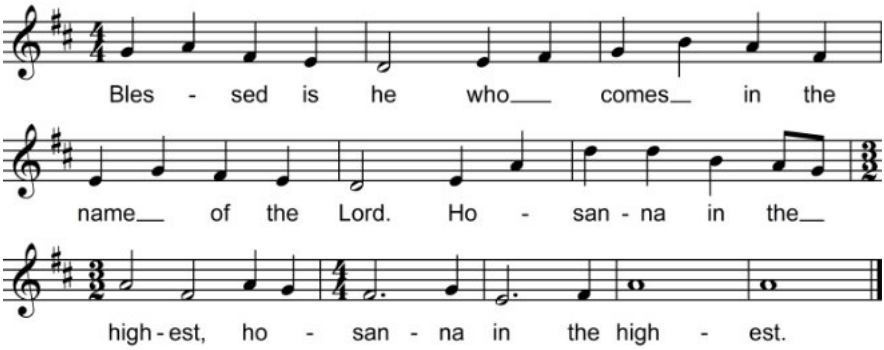


Blessed are you, Lord God, our light and our salvation; to you be glory and praise for ever.

From the beginning you have created all things and all your works echo the silent music of your praise. In the fullness of time you made us in your image, the crown of all creation.

You give us breath and speech, that with angels and archangels and all the powers of heaven we may find a voice to sing your praise:



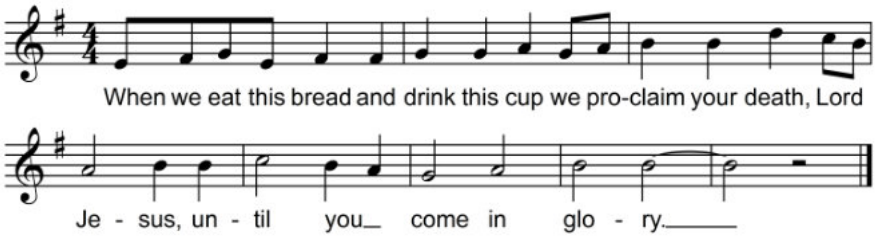


How wonderful the work of your hands, O Lord. As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced a people as your own. When they turned away and rebelled your love remained steadfast. From them you raised up Jesus our Saviour, born of Mary, to be the living bread, in whom all our hungers are satisfied. He offered his life for sinners, and with a love stronger than death he opened wide his arms on the cross.

On the night before he died, he came to supper with his friends and, taking bread, he gave you thanks. He broke it and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine, he gave you thanks, and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Christ is the bread of life:



Father, we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross; we remember his dying and rising in glory, and we rejoice that he intercedes for us at your right hand.

Pour out your Holy Spirit as we bring before you these gifts of your creation; may they be for us the body and blood of your dear Son. As we eat and drink these holy things in your presence, form us in the likeness of Christ, and build us into a living temple to your glory.

Remember, Lord, your Church in every land. Reveal her unity, guard her faith, and preserve her in peace. Bring us at the last with all the saints to the vision of that eternal splendour for which you have created us; through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

by whom, with whom, and in whom, with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:



¶ *Remain standing for the* **Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray for the coming of God's kingdom
in the words our Saviour taught us:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Breaking of the Bread**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Invitation to Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

¶ *Kneel or sit for the* **Lamb of God**



Distribution of the Sacrament

Anyone who has been baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
and wishes to receive the love of the Lord Jesus in their life,
is welcome to receive communion at this service.
If you are worried about receiving the Chalice, please remember
that making your Communion in one kind is entirely valid.

We ask you not to dip the wafer into the chalice.

Alternatively you may wish to come for a blessing: please keep your hands down and your head bowed to indicate that this is your preference.

¶ *Remain kneeling or seated for the* **Communion Hymn**

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour,
First-begotten from the dead,
Thou alone, our strong defender,
Liftest up thy people's head.
Alleluia, alleluia,
Jesus, true and living bread!

Here our humblest homage pay we,
Here in loving reverence bow;
Here for faith's discernment pray we,
Lest we fail to know thee now.
Alleluia, alleluia,
Thou art here, we ask not how.

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
As of old in Bethlehem,
Here as there thine angels hail thee,
Branch and flower of Jesse's stem.
Alleluia, alleluia
We in worship join with them.

Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished
Once for all when thou wast slain,
In its fulness undiminished
Shall for evermore remain,
Alleluia, alleluia,
Cleansing souls from every stain.

Life-imparting heavenly manna,
Stricken rock with streaming side,
Heaven and earth with loud hosanna
Worship thee, the Lamb who died,
Alleluia, alleluia,
Risen, ascended, glorified!

George Hugh Bourne (1840–1925);
Tune *St Helen*: George Clement Martin (1844–1916)

¶ *Stand for the* **Prayer after Communion**

The priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words
Let us pray.

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory.
Amen.

¶ *The Dismissal*

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Notices**

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Blessing**

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Christ our exalted King pour upon you his abundant gifts
and bring you to reign with him in glory;

and the blessing of God almighty, † the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Dismissal**



¶ *Remain standing for the* **Final Hymn**

For the tasks which you are giving,
Lord, count me in.
Christian love and Christian living,
Lord, count me in.
Take the fears that now impede us,
By your Spirit guide and lead us,
Help us know the way you need us,
Lord, count me in.

For the task of prayer and praising,
Lord, count me in,
Thankfulness for love amazing,
Lord, count me in.
As we take your Body broken,
As we hear your true word spoken,
May our wonder be awoken,
Lord, count me in.

For the task of love and caring,
Lord, count me in,
In this world your goodness sharing,
Lord, count me in.
In your life, and in your Passion
God most high, in human fashion
You have set us all the pattern,
Lord, count me in.

For your tasks our hands are lifted,
Lord, count me in,
Each of us uniquely gifted,
Lord, count me in.
Teach us, reach us, Lord inspire,
Spirit, set our hearts on fire,
May our song reach ever higher,
Lord, count me in.

Words: Andrew Body (b. 1946); Tune: *East Acklam*: Francis Jackson (1917–2022)

¶ Organ Voluntary

Plain-chant du premier Kyrie, en taille
[from Messe pour les paroisses, Paris 1690]

François Couperin (1668–1733)

NOTICES

Bingo and Raffle
Janet Parker is organising an evening of Bingo with a Raffle on Wednesday 18 November at 7.30 p.m. Please bring a Christmas-wrapped raffle prize.

A Life of Service – 'The Poppy Man'
St Ives Civic Society is pleased to present a talk by Jayne Spaven, daughter of Ed Kelly, who gave a lifetime of service around the world with the RAF and was known locally as 'The Poppy Man' from his times selling poppies and being on parade in the town centre for Remembrance Day Services. Friday 20 November at 7.30 p.m. in the Free Church (£3 donation for non-members).

A Classical Christmas Candlelight Experience
Lumos is returning for their third concert in the church on Friday 27 November. Three one-hour sittings: 5.00 p.m., 7.00 p.m. (sold out!) and 9.00 p.m. Scan the QR code for more information and to buy tickets. Offers of help to set up, staff and clear the bar are appreciated, please speak to the Churchwardens.

Christmas Day Lunch at the Free Church
The Free Church and Volunteer Centre Huntingdonshire are once again hosting their Christmas Day Lunch for people living in St Ives or the surrounding villages who would otherwise be on their own. Booking is essential – see poster by the north door.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Advance notice of our services for Advent and Christmas

Sunday 29 November		*Advent Sunday*
Sunday 20 December	3.30 p.m.	Service of Lessons and Carols
Thursday 24 December	3.30 p.m.	Nativity Service
	11.30 p.m.	Midnight Mass
Friday 25 December	10.15 a.m.	Family Eucharist
Sunday 27 December	10.15 a.m.	*usual services*

CONTACT DETAILS

If you would like to know more of what is happening in your parish, please visit the calendar on the parish website www.stivesparishchurch.org.uk or contact us:

The parish is in vacancy; please contact one of the following to enquire about the services of the church

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should be directed to admin@stivesparishchurch.org.uk
Requests for Baptisms, Marriages (including Banns) and Funerals: please look on the website

Musical enquires (to join the choir or to discuss wedding music) please contact music@stivesparishchurch.org.uk

For enquiries relating to the Bells
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