

During the swine flu crisis the Archbishops of Canterbury and York have advised us that Communion will be taken only in one kind that is the bread, the body of Christ

Hymn 395 *Of the Father's love (omit v6)*

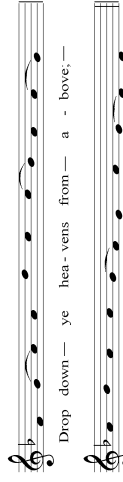
COLLECT

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING Jeremiah 33: 14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

THE ADVENT PROSE



And let the skies pour— down right—eous — ness.

Drop down, ye heavens from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness

Be not wroth very sore, O Lord, neither remember iniquity for ever; thy holy cities are a wilderness, Zion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation: our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee. **Drop down...**

We have sinned, and are as an unclean thing, and we all do fade as a leaf: and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away: though hast hid thy face from us: and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities.

Drop down,...

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen; that ye may know me and believe me: I, even I, am the Lord, and beside me there is no Saviour: and there is none that can deliver out of my hand. **Drop down...**

Comfort ye, comfort ye, my people: my salvation shall not tarry: have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions: Fear not for I will save thee; for I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy redeemer.

SECOND READING I Thessalonians 3: 9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for

all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let us see O Lord your mercy and give us your saving help.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 21: 25-36

'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.' Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

Hymn 196 *Hark! A herald voice is calling*

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Father, from all you give us we present this bread and wine. As we serve you now, accept our offering and sustain us with your promise of eternal life.

COMMUNION SENTENCE

The Lord will shower his gifts, and our land will yield its fruit.

Hymn 98 *Come, thou long expected Jesus*

Anthem *Jesus the apple tree...Elizabeth Poston*

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymn 336 *Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the lord*

Choir recessional *A man there lived in Galilee (v1)*

29th November 2009 First Sunday of Advent

Welcome to the parish church of St Wilfrid.

We welcome all our visitors today and invite you to join us for refreshments in the Hall after the service.

Please pray for our two Church Aided Schools:

Nyewood Junior School, (in special measures), for the acting head teacher, Sandra Jones and Nyewood Infants School; for the head teacher, Jacqui Cobb and for all the teaching staff, governors, parents and pupils. Father Andrew takes assemblies at 9.10 on Wednesdays at the Infants School and at 9.00 on Thursdays at the Junior School

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, including:

Christine Harris, Oliver Baxter-Smith, Joyce and Lincoln Brett, Christine MacKay, Christine Thomas, Joan Soothill, Ron Thomas, James Inwood, Edna Moody

Father Andrew is available for those who wish to make their confessions. Please arrange this with him and note his day off is Monday. He is also available from 4.30 pm to 5.00 pm in the Lady Chapel on Saturdays.

TODDLER CORNER This area in church is for pre-school children. There are activity sheets on the table by the south porch for older children to use in their places during the service. Please collect them before the service begins.

JUNIOR CHURCH

The children will be getting ready for Jesus

- 30 NOVEMBER** – Monday House Group Quiet Away Day
- 2 DECEMBER** – Centenary Meeting at 7.15 pm in the committee room
- 5 DECEMBER** - ST WILFRID'S CHRISTMAS FAIR - 11 AM TO 3 PM

5 DECEMBER – 7 pm Arun Angels Commissioning Service to be attended by the police and our local MP

10 DECEMBER – 7.30 pm the University of Chichester Bognor Campus will be holding a carol service here at St Wilfrid's. All are welcome to attend.

11 DECEMBER – 7.00 pm Michael Ayres Junior School carol service here at St Wilfrid's. All are welcome.

13 DECEMBER – 3.00 pm Youth Service

17 DECEMBER - 7.00 pm Carols by Candlelight Tickets are available from 29 November each Sunday after the 10.30 Eucharist. Contact Mary Gough 865219 for details

TODAY'S SERVICES

Holy Communion 08.00
 Parish Eucharist 10.30

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Monday	30 Nov	Eucharist	10.00
<i>Andrew the Apostle</i>			
Tuesday	1 Dec	Eucharist	10.00
Wednesday	2 Dec	Evening Prayer	18.00
		Eucharist with address	18.30
		Prayer of the Rosary	19.00
Thursday	3 Dec	Eucharist	10.00
Friday	4 Dec	Eucharist	10.00
Saturday	5 Dec	Eucharist	10.00*
		Evening Prayer	17.00

*please note this change of time

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY- 6 December

The second Sunday of Advent

Holy Communion 08.00
 Parish Eucharist 10.30

**IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, THE EXITS ARE THE
 NARTHEX, EAST DOOR, CHOIR
 VESTRY AND SOUTH PORCH.
 FIRST AID BOXES ARE OUTSIDE THE CHOIR VESTRY AND IN
 THE HALL**