



St. Lawrence Church & St. Mary's Church

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Welcome to Church on the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday 22 nd December	7:45am	Holy Communion	Rev Richard Peers
	10:30am	Holy Communion	Rev Cathy
	6:30pm	Carol Service	Rev Cathy
Tuesday 24 th December	9:30am	Morning Prayer	
	4:00pm	Crib Service	Rev Kathryn
	11:30pm	Midnight Communion	Rev Kathryn
Wednesday 25 th December Christmas Day	7:45am	Holy Communion	Rev Kathryn
	10:30am	Holy Communion	Rev Kathryn
Sunday 29 th December	7:45am	Communion by Extension	Team
	10:30am	United Benefice Service	Rev James Graham
	6:30pm	Evening Worship	Lay led
Thursday 2 nd January	12:30pm	Funeral of Bryony Baker	



THE COLLECT

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.

Romans 1:1-7

Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy scriptures, the gospel concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness by resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for the sake of his name, including yourselves who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, To all God's beloved in Rome, who are called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you O Lord

Now the birth of Jesus the Messiah took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, 'Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' All this took place to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet: 'Look, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel', which means, 'God is with us.' When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son; and he named him Jesus.

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ.

