



Welcome to St John the Evangelist East Dulwich

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Advent Sunday

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Processional hymn

Lo! he comes with clouds descending

Offertory

Hills of the north, rejoice!

During Communion

"People, look East" – Besanson carol melody

Post Communion

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Recessional Voluntary

"Fiat Lux" – Theodore Dubois

Angelus

Organ played today by Neil Stevenson

The Collect

Let us pray

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.

Amen

Covid measures at St John's –

- Please notify us if you develop symptoms within 48 hours of your visit by contacting our churchwarden, Julie Whitney, by calling or text on 07786 686 385
- We recommend and expect people to wear a face covering, use hand sanitiser and maintain social distancing.
- Thank you for all you do to keep our worship safe.

Old Testament Reading from the book of 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.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 25

To you O Lord I lift up my soul.

New Testament Reading from the book of 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.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Notices

Goose Green Coffee Morning will meet every Wednesday from 11am to 12.30pm. Do join us if you can. If you would like to be added to the Coffee Morning mailing list or to find out more, please email sue.oneill0826@gmail.com

Lunch Club – Our lunch club meets in the Goose Green Centre every Thursday in term time at 12.30 pm for a two course meal followed by tea or coffee (cost £5). If you would like to join us or would like further information, please contact Barbara Deller (020 8693 2090) or Martin Howell (020 8249 7411) or just turn up on the day between 12.15 & 12.30pm.

Messy Church The final date for 2021 is Sunday 12 December. If you would like to come, please book tickets via [Eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk) Tickets are free. We look forward to seeing you! Please get in touch with Julie Whitney, Gill or Gemma if you would like to help. The more the merrier, or messier!

Fairtrade's "The Real Advent Calendar" (including the Christmas Story) now ready for collection from Jayne Mallet after today's service.

Dates for your diaries

Sat 18 Dec – Carols in the Churchyard from 11am

Sun 19 Dec – Christmas carol service in church at 6pm

Fri 24 Dec – Christingles services at 3pm and 4.30pm (Ticketed)

Fri 24 Dec – Midnight Mass at 11.30pm (Ticketed)

Sat 25 Dec – Christmas day 10am Sung Mass (Ticketed)

Sun 26 Dec – St Stephen's day (Boxing Day) 10am Sung Mass (Ticketed)

"Living in Love and Faith"

We will be running this 5 week course, every Tuesday from 18th January 2022 (with no session on 15th February as it is half term) from 8pm -9:15/30 pm. We very much hope to be able to do this in church, COVID precautions permitting.

Flyers at the back of the church with course details and contact information.

Please help support the continuing work of St John's by making a donation – you can leave a cash donation in the bowl in church; make a card donation outside the porch after services or use this QR code to donate online. If you are a taxpayer, you can increase the value of your gift by 25% by completing a *Gift Aid* declaration. Please visit our website for further information. Thank you for your generosity.



Processional Hymn

Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluya!
God appears on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold him
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at naught and sold him,
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,
Deeply wailing
Shall the true Messiah see.

Those dear tokens of his passion
Still his dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation
To his ransomed worshippers;
With what rapture
Gaze we on those glorious scars!

Yea, Amen! let all adore thee,
High on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory:
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly!
Alleluya! Come, Lord, come!

Offertory Hymn

Hills of the North, rejoice,
Echoing songs arise,
Hail the united voice
Him who made earth and skies:
He comes in righteousness and love,
He brings salvation from above.

Isles of the Southern seas,
Sing to the listening earth,
Carry on every breeze
Hope of a world's new birth:
In Christ shall all be made anew,
His word is sure, his promise true.

Lands of the East, arise,
He is your brightest morn,
Greet him with joyous eyes,
Praise shall his path adorn:
The God whom you have longed to know,
In Christ draws near, and calls you now.

Shores of the utmost West,
Lands of the setting sun,
Welcome the heavenly guest
In whom the dawn has come:
He brings a never-ending light
Who triumphed o'er our darkest night.

Shout, as you journey on,
Songs be in every mouth,
Lo, from the North they come,
From East, and West, and South:
In Jesus all shall find their rest,
In him the sons of earth be blest.

Post Communion Hymn

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Announces that the Lord is nigh;
Come then and hearken, for he brings
Glad tidings from the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every Christian breast,
And furnished for so great a guest!
Yea, let us each our hearts prepare
For Christ to come and enter there.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
Our refuge and our great reward;
Without thy grace our souls must fade,
And wither like a flower decayed.

Stretch forth thine hand to heal our sore,
And make us rise, to fall no more;
Once more upon thy people shine,
And fill the world with love divine.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee,
Whose advent sets thy people free,
Whom, with the Father, we adore,
And Spirit blest, for evermore. Amen.