

ST. ANSELM

Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

The Arrival.

Conclusion.

For the past three weeks we have been on a journey of preparation which has led us into what Advent is about and what to expect during advent, the importance of scripture in our Christian journey by availing ourselves to the hearing, reading, marking and inwardly digesting the scriptures. We completed last week by focusing on knowing Jesus, loving Him and serving Him and indeed our own St. Richard of Chichester (1197-1253) made it simple for us with his prayer "...may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly and follow

you more nearly, day by day".

This week we conclude by meditating on one of the most popular biblical quotes "*For this is how God loved the world: He gave His one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life.*" (John 3:16).

God first showed us love by giving us His only begotten Son, he first showed us love by first extending a hand of unconditional love. In showing His love He first acted, and it is our turn to respond to this act of love. God expressed this love so that we will not perish but be guaranteed eternal life.

His son is going to be with us very soon and His



coming is all about love, making things right and bringing us salvation. How do we express love to those around us? Are we ready and willing to give of our best to make others have some comfort? Are we ready to do something to help the less privileged in our community going through hard times in the cold? How are we expressing the love that God has shown us to those we come across? Let us meditate on this and ask God to speak to us to show love to the suffering.

Fr. Josiah.

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Please let us know of illness or other need as soon as possible. We are available on the above numbers 24/7.

Prayer focus

For better discipline in reading our scripture each day.

For the soul of Fr. John Metivier.

Worship focus

Carols @ St. Anselm 6pm on 18th December.

Family Crib & Carols on Christmas Eve at 3pm.

This Sunday

Sunday 18th December

4th Sunday of Advent ●

10am - Parish Mass

6pm - Carols @ St. Anselm

Divine Office Psalter Week 4, Year A(I)



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Keep in Touch Notices

Please make a special effort to come to our Advent & Christmas Carol service on Sunday evening at 6pm. You'll get to see (and use) our new coffee bike which Fr. Matthew is picking up and will be arriving with at the end of the 10am Mass - be there to witness him trying to drive it into church!

Advent & Christmas Dates:

Advent Course, Thursdays after mass (10:30am) and online via zoom (7:30pm) - 22/12

18th December - Advent & Christmas Carols, 6pm

24th December - Crib & Carols Service, 3pm

24th December - Midnight Mass, 11:30pm

25th December - Christmas Day Mass, 10am

Years Mind

18th - Derek Cawston, Mary Lane

19th - Margaret Hemmings

20th - John Houston, David George Loyns

21st - Annie Bryant, Emile Charles Leopald Van Lear, Ernest Jones

22nd - Mildred Canfield, Mary Titchmarsh, Minnie Mabel West, Kenneth Roy Tupman

23rd - Hannah Harding, Nigel Esquick

24th - Bernard Harper, Christopher Brown, Dorothy Edna Borrowdale

Pray This Week For

Yolanda De Gale, Wayne Campbell, Beryl Higgs, Kevin Riley & Family, Norma Piggott, Gemma, Deborah Ann Potts, Adrian Calliste, Jim Kissane, Mavis & Daniel Sibley, Tom, Julie, Desmond, Dorothy Shirley Gordon, Elijah and his family, Alan & Vida, Andrew, Sarah, Harrison Turner, Jan.

Monday 19th December

19th December ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: Our online family

Tuesday 20th December

20th December ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: The evangelisation of England

Wednesday 21st December

21st December ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

12-2pm - Foodbank

6pm - Evening Prayer

Prayer focus: Priests & Bishops of the Society

Thursday 22nd December

22nd December ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - High Mass

10:30am - Holy Nudges (advent course, in church)

6pm - Evening Prayer

7:30pm - Holy Nudges (advent course, online)

Prayer focus: Persecuted Christians

Friday 23rd December

23rd December ●

9:45am - Morning Prayer | 10am - Mass

Prayer focus: Struggling Mothers & Fathers

Saturday 24th December

24th December ●

3pm - Crib & Carol Service - families very welcome.

11:30pm - Midnight Mass

Prayer focus: Children around the world

Sunday 25th December

Christmas Day, Solemnity ●

10am - Mass of Christmas Day

Divine Office Psalter Week 1, Year A(I)

Confessions are heard by appointment with Fr. Matthew or Fr. Josiah