

Advent Antiphons

Sung before and after the Magnificat at Evening Prayer and used as Alleluia verses at Mass

17th December – O Sapientia

O Wisdom, coming forth from the mouth of the Most High, reaching from one end to the other mightily, and sweetly ordering all things: Come and teach us the way of prudence. *Sir 24:3; Wis 8:1*

18th December – O Adonai

O Adonai, and leader of the House of Israel, who appeared to Moses in the fire of the burning bush and gave him the law on Sinai: Come and redeem us with an outstretched arm. *cf Ex 3:2, 24:12*

19th December – O Radix Jesse

O Root of Jesse, standing as a sign among the peoples; before you kings will shut their mouths, to you the nations will make their prayer: Come and deliver us, and delay no longer. *cf Is 11:10, 45:14, 52:15; Rom 15:12*

20th December – O Clavis David

O Key of David and sceptre of the House of Israel; you open and no one can shut; you shut and no one can open: Come and lead the prisoners from the prison house, those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death. *cf Is 22:22, 42:7*

21st December – O Oriens

O Morning Star, splendour of light eternal and sun of righteousness: Come and enlighten those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death. *cf Mal 4:2*

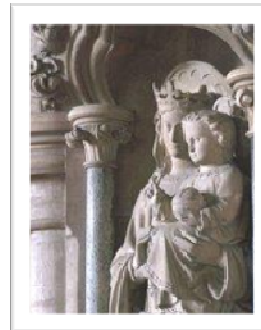
22nd December – O Rex Gentium

O King of the nations, and their desire, the cornerstone making both one: Come and save the human race, which you fashioned from clay. *cf Is 28:16; Eph 2:14*

23rd December – O Emmanuel

O Emmanuel, our king and our lawgiver, the hope of the nations and their Saviour: Come and save us, O Lord our God. *cf Is 7:14*

*The first letters of the Latin titles taken backwards (E-R-O-C-R-A-S) form a Latin acrostic - **Ero Cras** which translates as "Tomorrow, I will be [there]", mirroring the theme of the antiphons.*



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Sunday 16th December	ADVENT 3 Mass: 9.30am St Mary's Mass: 11.15am St Patrick's Nine Lessons and Carols: 6pm Lockinge Church	YEAR C: Psalter Week 3 [PURPLE] <i>Pro populo</i>
Monday 17th December	<i>O Sapientia</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary's	[purple]
Tuesday 18th December	<i>O Adonai</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary's Penitential Service: 7pm English Martyrs, Didcot	[purple]
Wednesday 19th December	<i>O Radix Jesse</i> Adoration: 11.45am St Mary's Mass: 12.15pm St Mary's School Carol Service: 6.30pm St Mary's Penitential Service: 7pm Our Lady & St Edmund's, Abingdon	[purple] RIP Kathleen & Alfred Doyle
Thursday 20th December	<i>O Clavis David</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary's	[purple]
Friday 21st December	<i>O Oriens</i> Mass: 8.30am Hendred House Adoration: 3pm Hendred House	[purple] <i>Holy Souls</i>
Saturday 22nd December	<i>O Rex Gentium</i> No Mass at St Mary's	[purple]
Sunday 23rd December	<i>O Emmanuel</i> ADVENT 4 Mass: 9.30am St Mary's Mass: 11.15am St Patrick's	YEAR C: Psalter Week 4 [PURPLE] <i>Pro populo</i>
Monday 24th December	CHRISTMAS EVE Mass: 9.30am St Mary's Crib Service: 4pm VIGILS AND FIRST MASS OF CHRISTMAS: 8PM	RIP Thomas Stephen McDonagh
Confessions: before or after Mass until Christmas Eve morning		

TODAY AND LOOKING AHEAD

ECUMENICAL NINE LESSONS & CAROLS

TODAY at All Saint's Church, Lockinge at 6pm. All welcome, do bring some nibbles to share with our Anglican friends after the service. The Ardington & Lockinge Singers will be supporting this service.

O'HANLON HOUSE CHRISTMAS

O'Hanlon House is the night shelter in Oxford for the homeless. Besides providing overnight accommodation it also assists with a number of other supportive activities, advice and counselling. Things they need: blankets, single duvets, warm hats, gloves, belts, underwear, socks, toothpaste, toothbrushes, toiletries. I will be taking them into Oxford in the week beginning **17th December**.

PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Tuesday (18th December), at 7 pm, English Martyrs, Didcot.

Wednesday (19th December), 7pm, Our Lady & St Edmund's, Abingdon.

CRIB OFFERINGS

The parish will be donating crib offerings to Friends of the Holy Land. FHL is non-political and ecumenical. For more information visit www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk and keep our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land in our prayers.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

Our Christmas Offering is for the personal use of Fr Andrew, forming part of his income. If you are a tax payer, please use the gift aid envelopes which are at the back of the church.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Please come and join us in **St Mary's Parish rooms after the Mass** on Christmas Eve for a celebration with drinks and nibbles.

CHILDREN LITURGY GROUP

The children liturgy will resume after the Christmas school holidays. In the meantime there will be some resources for children available in the Holy family room on Sundays.

PARISH COLLECTION

Last Sunday's collection raised a total of £986.85 of which 93% was Gift aided.

FORTHCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

20 January 2019: Cathedral

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COFFEE AFTER MASS

During the winter, coffee after Mass will be in the Holy Family Room. Please proceed by way of the outside path..

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

BAPTISM AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time.



THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED

Sr Catherine, Mary Wallace, Brenda Paddon, Alfie Bartlam, Jadvyga Adasko, Angus Clark and Maria Wysocki-Jones. Names remain for four weeks.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Those who have died recently and those with anniversaries at this time: *Lawrence Roberts, Patricia Tonge, Mary Thorne, Beatrice Cabill, Kathleen Wood, Sadie Regan, Bernard Egan, Maureen Morris, Helen Rea, Mary Agnes Hunt, John Stibbs, Winifred Anns, Thomas Eyston and John Champ.*

HOLY FATHER'S DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTION - Evangelization – In the

Service of the Transmission of Faith. That people, who are involved in the service of the transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR LITTLE PEOPLE

Many thanks for all the gifts received, they are now on their way!

GATHERING TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, **January 8th**. We meet in the parish rooms at 7.30pm and finish between 8.30 and 9.00pm For more information contact Denis Smith; 01235 765564; djbm.smith@ntlworld.com.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Classes will resume on **Thursday 17th January** at 4.30pm

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA – STELLA MARIS

Apostleship of the Sea seeks your kind donations of woolly hats, toblerone chocolates as well as other personal items in support of seafarers. **AoS** also invites the Faithful to donate any extra rosaries, bibles or small crucifixes. Financial donations are most welcomed as well. Please go to www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk.

MORE THAN A CHRISTMAS DINNER!

For £28.18 you can give a homeless person a warm welcome and good company, three nutritious hot meals including a delicious Christmas dinner, a bed for the night if needed, a chance to shower, freshen up and get clean clothes, plus ongoing support. To donate online please go to www.crisis.org.uk

NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Please complete the registration form (yellow or green sheets at the back of the church). The information you provide is strictly confidential and of great help for Fr Andrew's ministry.