

**Chesterfield Parish Church  
Saint Mary & All Saints**

**Advent Sunday  
(29th November 2020)**

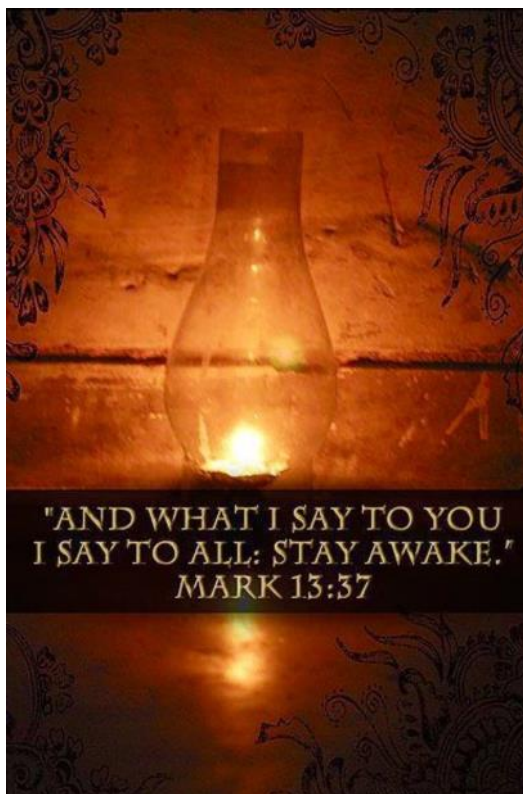
# **K** **Keep Awake!**

Advent is a time for sorting priorities.

Some this year will be worrying about how they can afford to celebrate Christmas, or what sort of Christmas it is going to be. Others will be looking out for the early sales, to find some material benefit from the crazy economics of restrictions, lockdowns and tiers.

Apart from the Christmas cards and presents, how many will be thinking about the real benefit of others, or indeed about their own spiritual welfare?

***Make this Advent a time to plan acts of kindness, and to sow the seeds of God's love around you. Keep awake to the ways our King means to come today!***



## **Monday**

09.00 Morning Prayer  
12.15 Mass  
16.00 Evening Prayer

## **Tuesday**

09.00 Morning Prayer  
09.30 Mass  
16.00 Evening Prayer

## **Wednesday**

09.00 Morning Prayer  
09.30 Holy Communion (BCP)  
16.00 Evening Prayer

## **Thursday**

09.00 Morning Prayer  
17.00 Evening Prayer  
17.30 Mass

## **Friday**

09.00 Morning Prayer  
12.15 Mass  
16.00 Evening Prayer

## **Saturday**

09.00 Morning Prayer  
09.30 Mass  
16.00 Evening Prayer

**STARTING ON WEDNESDAY,  
CONGREGATIONS WILL BE PERMITTED  
TO ATTEND ALL SERVICES.**

***On Sundays and Wednesdays, and this week also on Monday and Tuesday, Mass is broadcast live on the parish Facebook page, and also uploaded to the Crooked Spire YouTube channel.***

## ADVENT SUNDAY

### Collect Prayer

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**

### Isaiah 64.1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,  
so that the mountains would quake at your presence -  
as when fire kindles brushwood  
and the fire causes water to boil -  
to make your name known to your adversaries,  
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!  
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,  
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.  
From ages past no one has heard,  
no ear has perceived,  
no eye has seen any God besides you,  
who works for those who wait for him.  
You meet those who gladly do right,  
those who remember you in your ways.  
But you were angry, and we sinned;  
because you hid yourself we transgressed.  
We have all become like one who is unclean,  
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.

We all fade like a leaf,  
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.  
There is no one who calls on your name,  
or attempts to take hold of you;  
for you have hidden your face from us,  
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.  
Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;  
we are the clay, and you are our potter;  
we are all the work of your hand.  
Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,  
and do not remember iniquity for ever.  
Now consider, we are all your people .

### **Mark 13.24-end**

Jesus said,  
'But in those days, after that suffering,  
the sun will be darkened,  
and the moon will not give its light,  
and the stars will be falling from heaven,  
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.  
Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great  
power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his  
elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends  
of heaven.  
'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes  
tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is  
near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know  
that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation  
will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven  
and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.  
'But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in  
heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for  
you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going  
on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge,  
each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the  
watch. Therefore, keep awake - for you do not know when the  
master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or  
at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he  
comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'

## Prayer Intentions This Week:

### Today 29th November - Advent Sunday

- Watchfulness and faithfulness
- ♦ The Lusitanian Church
- ✦ William Henry Alvey

### Monday 30th November - Andrew the Apostle

- The people, church & government of Scotland
- ♦ Sekondi (W Africa); En Michigan (TEC)
- ✦ Joy Franklin

### Tuesday 1st December - Charles de Foucauld

- Deanery of Dove and Derwent
- ♦ Seoul (Korea);  
En Newfoundland & Labrador (Canada)
- ✦ Geraldine Alice James; Pamela Gay Hague;  
Marjorie Smith

### Wednesday 2nd December

- Christ Church, Belper; All Saints, Turnditch
- ♦ Seychelles (Indian Ocean); En Oregon (TEC)
- ✦ Mary Maud Birks

### Thursday 3rd December - Francis Xavier

- St Peter, Belper; St Swithun, Belper;  
St Mark, Openwoodgate
- ♦ Sheffield (England); En Zambia (Cen Africa);  
Easton (TEC)
- ✦ Lillian Emily Payne; Jose Payne

### Friday 4th December - John of Damascus; Nicholas Ferrar

- St Alkmund, Duffield
- ♦ Shinyanga (Tanzania); Eau Claire (TEC)
- ✦ Margaret Creswick Hewitt; Ella Hatton

### Saturday 5th December

- St Paul, Little Eaton
- ♦ Gasabo (Rwanda); Edinburgh (Scotland)
- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ♦ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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## Our prayers have been asked for:

John Robinson; Sheila Laverick; Carol Kingham;  
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Herring; Michael Catton; Patricia Mitchell; Sue  
Hastings; Jean Madin; Jane Jackson; David  
Staves; Ian Mackenzie; Laura; Robin Glasson;  
Kenneth Hughes; Jane Stretton; Paul Taylor;  
Margaret; Ray Hearn; Tom Pierce; Anthony &  
Katie; members of the Wolf-Kidd family; Ivor  
Maltby

✦ Howard Weaver, RIP

✦ Colin Parnell, RIP

✦ Jane Hoskin, RIP

**Thank you to the volunteers who have helped  
make it possible to keep the church building  
open for personal prayer each day during the  
week.**

**We will continue opening for this purpose  
from 10.30 am to 2.00pm on Monday and  
Tuesday.**

**Starting Wednesday, the church building will  
be open for visitors from 9.00 am to 4.00 pm  
Mondays to Saturdays.**

**The Gift Shop is open from 10.00 am to  
4.00pm, Mondays to Saturdays.**

**COVID19 HAS DEFINITELY NOT GONE AWAY,  
AND ALL THE MEASURES WE HAVE TAKEN TO  
REDUCE THE RISK OF INFECTION STILL  
CANNOT ELIMINATE IT. PLEASE, IF YOU ARE  
ILL STAY AT HOME; IF YOU ARE VULNERABLE  
IN ANY WAY, THINK CAREFULLY BEFORE  
RETURNING TO CHURCH.**

**If you need support in prayer or any other way  
please contact the team on 01246 206506 or  
contact@crookedspire.org**

**Next Sunday - 6th December - Advent II**

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