

Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints

Where to Put our Trust

Jesus predicts the fall of the Temple, which was in fact sacked and destroyed by the Romans in AD70. He does this as a response to people who were admiring the greatness and the permanence of it.



As he frequently does when he sees people putting their trust in the things of this world or in themselves, Jesus reminds us of the insecure and passing nature of all things.

This season of the year, when we start to think about the second coming of Jesus—and the four last things, Death, Judgement, Heaven & Hell—is a good time for us to reconsider where it is we put our trust.

In ourselves? We should already know how easily we ourselves fail. In others? Why should they be any different? In material things? Ask anyone who has been relying on a failed harvest, or a 'secure' job that has suddenly disappeared!

The only person worthy of our trust—who can take us through this life and through into eternity—is Jesus himself. His offer is always open. How shall we respond?

II Ante Advent (16th November 2025)

08.30 Holy Communion (1662)
10.30 Choral Mass
18.30 Choral Evensong

THIS WEEK'S SERVICES

MONDAY-SATURDAY

MORNING PRAYER 09.00

EVENING PRAYER 16.00 (Thursday 17.00)

MONDAY Mass 12.15

TUESDAY Mass 09.30

WEDNESDAY Holy Communion (1662) 09.30

THURSDAY Mass 17.30

FRIDAY Mass 12.15

SATURDAY Mass 09.30

NEXT SUNDAY See back page

The church is open for private prayer and visiting Monday-Saturday 09.00 - 16.00

Events

A programme of events scheduled between Advent and Christmas is now available at the back of church.

Full details of events may be found at crookedspeare.org, on the notices displayed in church, or from the organisers.

**15th November - 30th November
Christmas Tree Festival**

**22nd November - 29th November
Sanctuary of Light**

**Please respect those who wish to prepare for Mass in quiet prayer;
also those who wish to listen to the closing Organ Voluntary.**

SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

CHORAL MASS

Processional Hymn: 158 (*t.254*)

Setting: Communion Service (Harrison Oxley)

Collect Prayer

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Malachi

Malachi 4.1-2a

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn: 339

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, O Lord

Luke 21.5-19

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, 'As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down.' They asked him, 'Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?' And he said, 'Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, "I am he!" and, "The time is near!" Do not go after them. 'When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn: 403

Communion Motet: Jesu, joy of man's desiring
(Johann Sebastian Bach)

Post-Communion Hymn: 577

Voluntary: *Finale* from Sonata no.20 in F
(Josef Rheinberger)

CHORAL EVENSONG

Responses: Sanders

Psalm(s): 93 & 97

First Lesson: Daniel 6

Office Hymn: 598 (*t.i*)

Canticles: Sumsion in A

Second Lesson: Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

Anthem: Christ, whose glory fills the skies
(Harold Darke)

Hymn: 505

Voluntary: *Adagio* in E (Frank Bridge)

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 16th November - II Ante Advent

- The Diocesan Safeguarding Team
- ◇ The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria

Monday 17th November - Hugh

- General Synod meeting this week
- ◇ Recife - Episcopal/Anglican Church of Brazil
- ✦ Sarah Edwards; George Goodwin

Tuesday 18th November - Elizabeth of Hungary

- Parish of St Edmund Allenton and Shelton Lock
- ◇ Rejaf - Episcopal Church of South Sudan
- ✦ Nellie Fowler

Wednesday 19th November - Hilda

- Parish of St Paul Quarndon
- ◇ Remo - The Church of Nigeria
- ✦ Maurice Webb; Henry Margereson; Prue Hicks

Thursday 20th November - Edmund;

Priscilla Lydia Sellon

- Parish of Sinfin Moor
- ◇ Renk - Episcopal Church of South Sudan
- ✦ Paul Curtis

Friday 21st November

- Parish of St Werburgh Spondon
- ◇ Rhode Island - The Episcopal Church
- ✦ Marjorie Bradley; George Peppitt; Nigel Ball

Saturday 22nd November - Cecilia

- Parish of St Stephen Sinfin
- ◇ Rift Valley - The Anglican Church of Tanzania

- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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Our prayers have been asked for:

Tony Ragan; Lisa; Linda Weston; Ralph Turner;
Ian Mackenzie; John Nickols; Ambrose Mason;
Cathy; Joan Melbourne; Elise Wilson; Joshua
Wilson; Anthony Duce; Dorothy Crawshaw

✦ David Allsop

Christmas Tree Festival

The Christmas Tree Festival continues up to and including Advent Sunday, 30th November. There is still time to sign up for a spot of voluntary stewarding if you haven't already done so. If you're not sure what's involved, ask any member of the Festival committee for further information - don't be shy!

Sanctuary of Light

An immersive light and sound experience in the church, 22nd-29th November (except Sundays), 5.30pm-8.30pm. Tickets £5 available through: www.chesterfield.gov.uk/sanctuary-of-light

Please note that Evening Prayer and Mass on Thursday 27th November will be at 4.30pm and 5.00pm respectively.

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Dates for your diary:

Friday 5th December: Medieval Carols by Candlelight

Saturday 6th December: Britten's St Nicholas

Next Sunday - 23rd November - Christ the King

08.30 Holy Communion (1662)

09.30 Morning Prayer (St Leonard's, Spital)

10.30 Choral Mass

Readings: Jeremiah 23.1-6
Luke 23.33-43

18.30 Choral Evensong

Readings: Psalm(s) 72
1 Samuel 8.4-20
John 18.33-37

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