



THE PARISH CHURCH OF
ST MATTHEW • NORTHAMPTON

SERVICES AND MUSIC

DECEMBER 2015

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SUNDAY 29 NOVEMBER The First Sunday of Advent

09:00	Said Mass with Homily and Hymns	NEH 3, 14
10:15	The Parish Mass	NEH 9, 16, 14, 3(i) Psalm 25: 1-9
	The Advent prose v.1	
	Mass of the Altar of Life <i>Halls</i>	
	God so loved the world <i>Stainer</i>	
	Organ Voluntary: Toccata & Fugue in D minor (Dorian), BWV 538 <i>Bach</i>	
17:30	The Advent Procession <i>from Darkness to Light</i>	Special Service Booklet
	Organ music will be played before the service from 17:00	
	Mattin Responsory <i>Palestrina</i> • O gracious light <i>Helvey</i>	
	This is the truth sent from above <i>Vaughan Williams</i> • A tender shoot <i>Goldschmidt</i>	
	God so loved the world <i>Stainer</i> • Thou shalt know him <i>Sirett</i>	
	There is no rose <i>Joubert</i> • Lullay my liking <i>Holst</i>	
	E'en so, Lord Jesus <i>Manz</i> • Christ is the morning star <i>Rutter</i>	
	Vesper Responsory <i>Palestrina</i>	
	Organ Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in C minor, BWV 546 <i>Bach</i>	

SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER

19:30	Northampton Bach Choir Concert	
	St Nicholas Mass <i>Haydn</i>	
	Toy Symphony <i>attrib. Haydn</i>	
	'Great' Organ Mass <i>Haydn</i>	
	Directed by Lee Dunleavy	
	Tickets £16, £14 (concessions), £5 students	

SUNDAY 6 DECEMBER The Second Sunday of Advent

09:00	Said Mass with Homily and Hymns	NEH 12, A&M 327(ii)
10:15	The Parish Mass	NEH 168 t.190(ii), 7, 5, A&M 327(ii) Psalm 126
	The Advent Prose v.2	
	Mass of the Altar of Life <i>Halls</i>	
	How beautiful upon the mountains <i>Stainer</i>	
	Organ Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue in B minor, BWV 544 <i>Bach</i>	
16:00	Christingle Service	Special Service Booklet
	<i>sung by the Choristers and the Choir of All Saints' Primary School</i>	
18:30	Congregational Evensong	NEH 63, 377, 466 Psalm 75
	Responses <i>Ferial</i>	
	Canticles <i>Chant</i>	
	Organ Voluntary: Récit de basse de Trompette <i>Clerambault</i>	



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SUNDAY 13 DECEMBER
The Third Sunday of Advent

09:00 Said Mass with Homily and Hymns NEH 6, A&M 37

10:15 The Parish Mass NEH 12, 11, 6, A&M 37

The Advent Prose v.3

Psalm 146: 4-end

Mass of the Altar of Life *Halls*

Kindle a light *Fleming*

Organ Voluntary: Prelude & Fugue F minor, BWV 534 *Bach*

17:30 La Nativité du Seigneur (The Birth of the Saviour)

In preparation for Christmas, Stephen Moore plays Olivier Messiaen's influential work, interspersed with readings. In nine movements, Messiaen describes all the familiar characters of the Nativity story and prepares us for the coming of Christ.

SUNDAY 20 DECEMBER
The Fourth Sunday of Advent

09:00 Said Mass with Homily and Hymns NEH 15, 10

10:15 Procession and Parish Mass NEH 19(ii), 10, 15, 8 t.128(ii)

The Advent Prose v.4

Mass of the Altar of Life *Halls*

Sweet was the song *Bennett*

Organ Voluntary: Fantasia & Fugue in G minor, BWV 542 *Bach*

17:30 A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols Special Service Booklet

Organ music will be played before the service from 17:00

Adam lay ybounden *Ord* • I wonder as I wander *arr. Rutter*

Ding dong! merrily on high *arr. Wilberg* • The Angel Gabriel *arr. Archer*

Softly *Todd* • A babe is born *Mathias*

Organ Voluntary: Prelude in Eb, BWV 552i *Bach*

TUESDAY 22 DECEMBER

19:00 Carols by Candlelight

A concert given by St Matthew's choir, including carols old and new, and well-known audience participation carols for all to enjoy

Tickets (available in advance or on the door) £5, under 16s FREE

THURSDAY 24 DECEMBER
Christmas Eve

09:00 BCP Morning Prayer *in the Parish Centre*

09:30 Said Mass *in the Parish Centre*

16:00 Crib Service for All Ages

17:30 BCP Evening Prayer *in the Parish Centre*

23:30 Midnight Mass of the Nativity and Blessing of the Crib Special Service Booklet

Missa Brevis *Mathias*

Softly *Todd* • Nativity Carol *Rutter*

Organ Voluntary: Carillon de Westminster *Vierne*



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FRIDAY 25 DECEMBER

The Nativity of the Lord

Christmas Day

09:00 Said Mass with Homily and Carols NEH 24 [1-3], 25

10:15 Procession and Parish Mass NEH 33, 21, NEP 604, NEH 22, 26 [1-3]

Ding dong! merrily on high arr. Wood

Communion Service in E Darke

In the bleak mid-winter Darke

Angelus domini

Organ Voluntary: Final (Symphonie I) Vierne

17:30 BCP Evening Prayer *said in front of the Crib*

The choirs are on holiday until Wednesday 6 January

SUNDAY 27 DECEMBER

St John the Evangelist

09:00 Said Mass with Homily and Hymns NEH 31, 494 t.413

10:15 The Parish Mass NEH 25, 202 t.401, 31, A&M 609

Mass of St Thomas Thorne

Psalm 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12

Angelus domini

Organ Voluntary: Toccata (Symphonie V) Widor

17:30 BCP Evening Prayer
