



THE PARISH CHURCH OF
ST MATTHEW • NORTHAMPTON

SERVICES AND MUSIC

DECEMBER 2023

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SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER *The First Sunday of Advent*

- 10:15 All Age Mass**
Mass of the Altar of Life *Halls*
People Look East *Arr. Padmore*
Organ Voluntary: Herr Christ der ein'ge Gottes Sohn BWV 601 *J.S. Bach*
- 16:00 The Advent Procession**
Matin Responsory *Palestrina* • O gracious light *Helvey* •
Zion, at thy shining gates *Arr. Guest* • A tender shoot *Goldschmidt* •
Adam lay ybounden *Ord* • Never weather-beaten sail *Campion* •
The Angel Gabriel *Arr. Pettman* • And I saw a new heaven *Bainton* •
Thou shalt know him when he comes *Sirett*
Organ Voluntary: Allegro [Deuxième Symphonie (i)] *Vierne*

SUNDAY 10 DECEMBER *The Second Sunday of Advent*

- 10:15 The Parish Mass**
Mass of the Altar of Life *Halls* [K] Psalm 85 vv1,2, 8-13
Missa de Angelis *Plainsong*
The truth from above *arr. Vaughan Williams*
Organ Voluntary: Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme BWV645 *J.S. Bach*
- 16:00 Christingle Service**
- 17:30 Congregational Evensong** NEH 461, NEP 638
Responses *Ferial* Canticles *Chant* Psalm 40
Organ Voluntary: Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland BuxWV211 *Buxtehude*

SATURDAY 16 DECEMBER

- 19:00 Carols by Candlelight**
The Choir of St Matthew's Church
Stephen Moore *organ*, Thomas Moore, Paul Weston *conductors*
Tickets: £10, under 18s Free

SUNDAY 17 DECEMBER *The Third Sunday of Advent*

- 10:15 The Parish Mass**
Mass of the Altar of Life *Halls* [K] Magnificat
Mass in D *Leighton*
This is the record of John *Gibbons*
Organ Voluntary: Es ist ein Ros entsprungen *Brahms*
- 16:00 A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols**
The Lord at first did Adam make *Trad. English* •
Ding dong! Merrily on high *arr. Willcocks* • Sans Day Carol *Rutter* •
There is no rose *Joubert* • Sir Christèmas *Mathias* • All this time *Walton* •
In the bleak mid-winter *Darke* • No small wonder *Edwards*
Organ Voluntary: In dulci júbilo BWV 729 *J S Bach*



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SUNDAY 24 DECEMBER

Christmas Eve

10:15 The Parish Mass

Mass of the Altar of Life *Halls*

Psalm 89 vv1-4, 19-26

Mary's Magnificat *Carter*

Organ Voluntary: Fuga sopra il Magnificat BWV 733 *J.S. Bach*

16:00 Crib Service

17:30 BCP Evening Prayer

23:30 Midnight Mass of the Nativity and Blessing of the Crib

Mass in G *Schubert*

Carols sung by the choir

Organ Voluntary: Carillon de Westminster *Vierne*

MONDAY 25 DECEMBER

The Nativity of the Lord

Christmas Day

10:15 The Parish Mass

Angelus domini

Communion Service in F *Darke*

My Lord has come *Todd*

Organ Voluntary: Postlude on "Adeste Fidelis" *Thiman*

17:30 BCP Evening Prayer

SUNDAY 31 JANUARY

10:15 The Parish Mass

Angelus domini

The Mass of St Thomas *Thorne*

Organ Voluntary: Helft mir Gottes Gute preisen BWV613 *J.S. Bach*

17:30 BCP Evening Prayer

MONDAY 1 JANUARY

The Holy Names of Jesus

10:15 The Parish Mass

Angelus domini

The Mass of St Thomas *Thorne*

Organ Voluntary: In dir ist Freude BWV615 *J.S. Bach*