



Sunday 11 December 2022  
3rd Sunday of Advent

## THE PARISH OF ST MARY & ST PAUL

New Parish Web Site [www.stmaryandstpaulhemel.org.uk](http://www.stmaryandstpaulhemel.org.uk)

### Services

#### St Mary's

Sun 11 Dec	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Sung Eucharist
	3.00pm	Carols by Candlelight
Wed 13 Dec	10.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 18 Dec	8.00am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Sung Eucharist
Christmas Eve	4.00pm	Crib Service
	11.30pm	Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	9.30am	Family Mass

#### St Paul's

Sun 11 Dec	11.15am	Sung Eucharist
Sun 18 Dec	11.15am	Sung Eucharist
	3.00pm	Service of Nine Lessons & Carols
Christmas Eve	2.00pm	Crib Service
	8.00pm	'Early Bird' Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	11.15am	Holy Eucharist

### St Mary's Readers and Intercessor

	Readers	Intercessor
Today	Rosamund Russell Jeff Wallis	Emmeline Lambert

Next Week 18 Dec	Emmeline Lambert Lynne Sygrave	Emmeline Lambert
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#### St Paul's Services on YouTube

To find this, visit our website or search for "St Mary and St Paul Hemel Hempstead" in YouTube and subscribe to the channel. Alternatively you can find the channel by using this link:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7U\\_Q1B-URNJ06ToEZePyPg](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7U_Q1B-URNJ06ToEZePyPg)  
(care with exact capitalisation).

In the email version of this bulletin and on the website this link is clickable.

#### Our churches stream services to YouTube

By sitting in one of the marked front pews you may appear in the live stream. If you do not want your image streamed please sit further back.

**Use of INCENSE in our churches.** From time-to-time in our churches as part of the ongoing traditional services that we offer the burning of incense takes place. Also, to dispel the damp and musty smell that sometimes lingers in old buildings incense might be burnt. The Ordinariate congregation that uses St Paul's also, as part of their tradition, regularly burn incense. Incense has been burnt for centuries as part of Jewish and Christian worship, is often referenced in the Bible, and is used to venerate, bless and sanctify and as a sign of our prayers ascending to God. For some people a large amount of incense may cause discomfort and in such cases we seek to reduce the amount of incense, ventilate the building and help people to be seated near a door or source of clean air.

### **Warm Hubs Initiative**

Following PCC approval, the Warm Hub in St Mary's Hall will be each Wednesday from 10.00 am. Before Christmas we will end at 1.00pm and after Christmas we will go on to 4.00pm.

Do come along and enjoy both warmth and fellowship if only for a mid morning cup of coffee. Also spread the word where appropriate.

### **Christmas School Visits.**

Our pre Covid busy schedule of school visits to St Mary's in December has returned. If you can help steward and welcome, or work the sound system then seek out the sign-up sheet that is at the back of St Mary's and sign up. Your local school carol service needs you...and so do we!

A promotional poster for a Christmas event. The background is a close-up of a Christmas tree with snow and colorful lights. The text is white and bold. In the top left corner is a logo for the Berkhamsted Choral Society, which consists of a yellow square with a white grid pattern and the text 'BERKHAMSTED CHORAL SOCIETY' below it.

**Christmas and  
all that Jazz...**

**An evening of joyful and jazzy  
Christmas Music with  
Berkhamsted Choral Society**

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 18<sup>th</sup> 2022  
7.30pm**

**ST PETER'S CHURCH,  
BERKHAMSTED HP4 2AX**

Tickets £17 in advance from TicketPass <https://tktp.as/EMRMWF> or £18 on the door

Berkhamsted Choral Society: Reg Charity No 274462 0

**PILGRIMAGE in 2023** Part of our Mission Action Plan is to offer a pilgrimage opportunity to the parish during 2023. In line with this we have joined with the parish of Boxmoor to go to Walsingham in Norfolk from Friday 24th - Sunday 26th March 2023. This weekend based at the famous shrine and with ensuite accommodation, will include a program of worship, optional visits to Wells Next-the-Sea or Sheringham, nice food and great company. Cost to be advised. There are limited places for this event so if you are interested book now with Canon John and pay your £10 deposit to secure your place. More details to follow.

### Churches Together Community Carol Singing



Community Carol Singing at  
**Bank Court**  
(outside Liberty Tea Rooms)  
**1.30pm-2.30pm**  
**Saturday 17th December**

**Liberty Tea Rooms**  
will be open 9.30am - 4pm  
for delightful drinks,  
**fabulous food,**  
and cakes to fill your cravings  
after your carolling!



*Bring your voices along to...*



**Friday 16th December - 1.30pm to 2.30pm**  
**near the Christmas Tree**



## Services and Events Week Commencing 11 December 2022

Sun 11 Dec	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 12 noon 3.00pm	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist Sung Eucharist Holy Baptism - Leah Rose Long Carols by Candlelight	StM StM StP StM StM
Third Sunday of Advent			
Mon 12 Dec			
12 noon			
Tue 13 Dec			
<i>Lucy, Martyr at Syracuse, 304</i>			
Wed 14 Dec	10.30am 5.30pm	Holy Communion George Street School Carol Concert	StM StM
<i>John of the Cross, Poet, Teacher of the Faith, 1591</i>			
Thur 15 Dec	8.00pm	Bellringing Practice	StM
Fri 16 Dec	10.00am	Collett School Carol service	StM
Sat 17 Dec			
<i>O SAPIENTIA</i>			
Sun 18 Dec	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm	Holy Communion Sung Eucharist Sung Eucharist Service of Nine Lessons and Carols	StM StM StP StP
Fourth Sunday of Advent			

St Mary's Church is open for visitors every day from 10am - 5pm

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### Bulletin deadline:

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### Payments:

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