

Sunday 30th November 2025 The First Sunday of Advent

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.**

A reading from Isaiah 2.1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem: In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.'

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

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

Psalm 122

1 I was glad when they / said to / me: 'Let us / go • to the / house of the / Lord.'

2 And now our / feet are / standing: within your / gates / O Je/ rusalem;

3 Jerusalem / built • as a / city: that is at / unity / in it/self.

4 Thither the tribes go up, the / tribes of the / Lord: as is decreed for Israel, to give / thanks • to the / name of the / Lord.

5 For there are set the / thrones of / judgement: the / thrones of the / house of / David.

6 O pray for the / peace of Je/rusalem: 'May they / prosper who / love / you.

7 Peace be with/in your / walls: and tran/quillity with/in your / palaces.'

8 For my kindred and com/panions' / sake: I will / pray that / peace be / with you.

9 For the sake of the house of the / Lord our / God: I will / seek to / do you / good.

A reading from

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to St Matthew 24.36-44

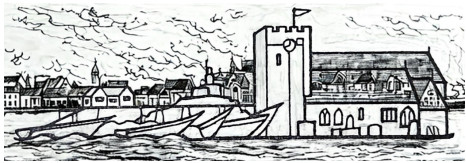
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, 'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. 'For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man.

'Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. 'But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

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

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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30th November 2025 - Advent 1

HYMNS AT OUR CHORAL EUCHARIST : 196 , 198 , 489 , 307

TODAY	8.30 am	Holy Eucharist (All Saints)
	10.00 am	Choral Eucharist (followed by tea / coffee)
	4.00 pm	Advent service - From darkness to light - in All Saints. Please try and join us.
TUESDAY	10.30 am	Sgwrs a Choffi (Chat and coffee) - in All Saints - Croeso i bawb - all very welcome
	2.00 pm	Coffee and craft in Norton Church - all welcome
WEDNESDAY	10.30 am	Holy Eucharist followed by refreshments
	2.00pm	Bible study/prayer group (church rooms)
	2.00 pm	FREE Concert in All Saints given by Oystermouth School Choir and the Spanish English School. All are very welcome to come along.
	5.00 pm	Shanty Kids in LCR - all children welcome
	7.00 pm	Choir Practice (All Saints) - all welcome
THURSDAY	10.30 am	Coffee and Chat in Norton Church - all welcome No Church working party today as a school will be in church rehearsing for their Christmas Concert.
FRIDAY	12.30 pm	Men's Society Christmas lunch at the BCYC
SATURDAY	6.00 pm	Swansea Philharmonic choir concert in All Saints. See poster for details.
NEXT SUNDAY		7th December 2025 - Advent 2
	8.30 am	Holy Eucharist (All Saints)
	10.00 am	Choral Eucharist (followed by tea / coffee)
	11.30 am	Sung Eucharist in Norton church.
	4.00 pm	Carols in remembrance in All Saints - all welcome as we remember loved ones during this season.
	5.00 pm	Advent Evensong in Holy Cross Church

Pastoral Visiting : Please do keep me informed of anyone in need of visiting at home or in hospital.

Swansea Philharmonic Choir Concert : in All Saints next Saturday at 6 p.m. Please see posters for details and ticket information.

Maggie's Concert with the Gwalia : in All Saints on Thursday 11th December. See posters for details.

Advent Service 'From Darkness into Light' : today at 4 p.m. Do try and come along. A reflective service of hymns, readings and anthems.

Carols in Remembrance : Sunday 7th December at 4 p.m. in All Saints.. all are welcome to attend. There will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of loved ones.

Christmas celebration concert : Chamber orchestra : In All Saints on Saturday 13th December at 7 pm. See posters for details. Tickets include refreshments and a welcome drink (tickets MUST be purchased in advance) . **Please see Anne Neumann for tickets.**

RNLI Community Carol Service : Sunday 14th December at 4 p.m. - one not to miss.

Thank you: to all who joined us on the Worcester trip yesterday - I hope you enjoyed. A special thanks to Sue who helped so much with the organisation of the trip.

Christmas Craft worship for children : Saturday 20th December 10 a.m. to midday. If you are free to give a hand please let Liz Brent know. **We will be putting the Christingles together at the same time in the UCR if you can keep the time available to give a hand !**

Christingle and Nativity Service : Sunday 21st December at 3 p.m. in All Saints. We need help from youngsters (or not so young !) dressed in nativity costumes to help us share the Christmas story. Please share with any families you know

Christmas Services : Christmas Eve Wednesday (24th December) : 6.30 p.m. Choral Eucharist (please note there will be no morning service on Christmas Eve) and Christmas Day 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Carols. (on Sunday 28th December there will be only be one service : 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist - a said service with Carols).

Advent Prayer : Loving God, As we enter this season of Advent, open our hearts to Your light. Help us to slow down, listen deeply, and welcome Christ anew. Grow in us a spirit of hope, patience, and generosity, so that Your love may take root and bear fruit in our lives. Prepare us, Lord, for the coming of Your Son, and guide us on the path of spiritual growth and renewal. Amen.