



The Parish Churches
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and Saint Matthew
with Saint Mary the Virgin
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The Fourth Sunday of Advent

21st December 2025

The Liturgy for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

The Lamp at the High Altar burns this week in memory of Margaret Redhead. RIP

Mass at 9am

Response to the Psalm: Let the Lord enter! He is the King of glory.

Hymn: 522 vv 1, 3, 5

High Mass at 10.30am*

Booklet for the Mass: Advent

The Liturgy booklet is available to be downloaded from the website.

Entrance hymn: 15 - *lighting of the candle after v3*

Offertory hymn: 9

Communion hymn: 161 (t 385)

Final hymn: 6

Solemn Evensong and Benediction at 6.30pm*

Booklet for the Office: Advent II

The Liturgy booklet is available to be downloaded from the website.

Psalm: 144

Hymn before Benediction: 8 (t 128ii)

Streamed services

Please note that services marked with an asterisk are streamed to the internet. Holy Communion is not streamed; and if you wish to avoid appearing on the streaming, please sit further back in the Nave. If you cannot get to Mass and would like to follow the streaming, this can be accessed through the website - <https://matthewhighelswick.com>, using the "streamed services" button at the top of the home page.

Services this week

Monday	Feria	Low Mass at 7.30pm
Tuesday	Feria	Low Mass at 11.30am
Wednesday	Christmas Eve	Low Mass at 10am
	Christmas	Mass of the Nativity at 8pm*
Thursday	Christmas Day	Mass of Christmas Day*
Friday	S Stephen	Sung Mass at 11am*
Saturday	S John the Evangelist	Sung Mass at 10am*

Services next week

Sunday	Mass at 9am	
	High Mass at 10.30am*	
	Solemn Evensong and Benediction at	
	6.30pm*	
Thursday	Circumcision of Christ	Sung Mass at 11am*

* denotes streamed service

The calendar for **December** is now available on the website.

Notices

Setting the church for Christmas

We shall be preparing the church for Christmas after the Mass on Wednesday morning.

Donations to the People's Kitchen

There are envelopes at the back of church for anyone who would like to make a contribution to the People's Kitchen.

Parking Permits

The new parking permits are available at the back of church this morning. Please take one with you if you come to church by car. For the Christmas period, Sunday permits can be used for the Mass of the Nativity (8pm on Wednesday); for Christmas Day scratch cards are necessary; for Boxing Day Sunday permits can be used; for Saturday scratch cards are necessary; and for Sunday, the Sunday permits can be used.

Christmas flowers

If you are willing to make a donation towards the cost of Christmas flowers, please hand this to Joyce Lowery or one of the other Wardens.

Daily Mass

Thank you to those who have responded to the need to bolster attendance at a couple of the weekday Masses. However, to others I would reiterate that this is an important element of our congregational life and ask that those who do not currently attend one of these Masses consider whether they would be able to participate in the weekly round.