


## Parish Contacts

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### Churchwardens:

Eleanor Arthur

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### Intercessions

*For the sick and those in need who have asked for our prayers.*

*For the recently departed:* Dorothy Mabel Brewer.

### Anniversaries of death:

Sandra Quarshire, Caleb Aube, Stanley Henry Saunders,

Sarah Lawson, Rebecca Thompson.

*To preserve privacy, the names of the sick and those in need, and some of the recently departed, are omitted from the version of the news sheet published online. They are all, however, prayed for at the service in Church.*

### 11am Parish Mass Hymns:

Entrance	527	On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
Offertory	381	Let all mortal flesh keep silence
Communion	683	Thou didst leave thy throne
Recessional	282	Hills of the north, rejoice!
Mass setting:	953	A Simple Mass (Andrew Moore)

### Parish Notices

#### Extra Mass for the Immaculate Conception

There will be an additional Mass this week, at 9am on Monday, for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.

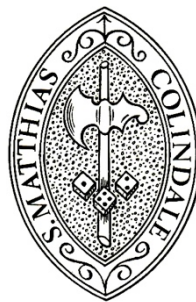
#### Feast of Saint Lucy - 13<sup>th</sup> December

Saint Lucy is venerated as the patron saint of eyesight and medical conditions affected the eyes. A special blessing for eyes, and the ministry of healing (laying on of hands and anointing) will be offered at the 9am Mass on her feast day, Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. This ministry is also available on request at other times.

#### Christmas Carol Service 22<sup>nd</sup> December 6.00pm

Our traditional Service of Nine Lessons and Carols, with the Saint Matthias Singers, will be on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December, at 6.00pm, followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Please do put this in your diaries so we can all join in welcoming people from the neighbourhood to our Church to hear the good news of Christmas. Readers will be needed for the lessons, and two or three people will be needed to help with refreshments immediately afterwards please.



# The Parish of Colindale

## The Second Sunday of Advent Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024



### Mass Times and Readings for Morning and Evening Prayer

Readings and psalms for Morning and Evening Prayer are given for use with Common Worship Daily Prayer or the Book of Common Prayer. MP = Morning Prayer; EP = Evening Prayer. For a shorter version of the Office, use one psalm and one reading. For the same services online see [tinyurl.com/jusdp](https://tinyurl.com/jusdp). (\* = a long Psalm, part of which may be omitted. Where there is a choice of two sets of Psalms, the first is for the season, the second follows the ordinary cycle.)

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December** 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent** 11.00 Parish Mass

MP: Psalm 80; Isaiah 64.1-7; Matthew 11.2-11  
EP: Psalms 75 [76]; Isaiah 40.1-11; Luke 1.1-25

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup> December** 9am Mass

**Solemnity: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
(transferred from the 8<sup>th</sup>).

MP: Psalm 44 (or) 27, 30; Isaiah 45.14-end; 1 Thessalonians 1  
EP: Psalms 144, 146 (or) 26, 28, 29; Isaiah 30.1-18; Matthew 14.1-12

**Tues 10<sup>th</sup> December** 12.30pm Mass

**Commemoration: Our Lady of Loreto**

MP: Psalms 56, 57 (or) 32, 36; Isaiah 46; 1 Thessalonians 2.1-12  
EP: Psalms 11, 12, 13 (or) 33; Isaiah 30.19-end; Matthew 14.13-end

**Weds 11<sup>th</sup> December** 10am Mass

**Ember Day**

MP: Psalms 62, 63 (or) 34; Isaiah 47; 1 Thessalonians 2.13-end  
EP: Psalms 10, 14 (or) 119.33-56; Isaiah 31; Matthew 15.1-20

**Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> December** 9am Mass

**Commemoration: Our Lady of Guadalupe**

MP: Psalms 53, 54, 60 (or) 37\*; Isaiah 48.1-11; 1 Thessalonians 3  
EP: Psalm 73 (or) 39, 40; Isaiah 32; Matthew 15.21-28

**Fri 13<sup>th</sup> December** 9am Mass with healing ministry

**Memorial: Saint Lucy of Syracuse, Virgin & Martyr**

MP: Psalms 85, 86 (or) 31; Isaiah 48.12-end; 1 Thessalonians 4.1-12  
EP: Psalms 82, 90 (or) 35; Isaiah 33.1-22; Matthew 15.29-end

**Sat 14<sup>th</sup> December** 10am Mass

**Memorial: Saint John of the Cross, Priest, Carmelite, Teacher of the Faith**

MP: Psalm 145 (or) 41, 42, 43; Isaiah 49.1-13; 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18  
EP: Psalms 93, 94 (or) 45, 46; Isaiah 35; Matthew 16.1-12

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December** 10.15 Eucharistic Adoration

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent** 11.00 Parish Mass

MP: Psalms 12, 14; Isaiah 25.1-9; 1 Corinthians 4.1-5  
EP: Psalms 50.1-6 [62]; Isaiah 35; Luke 1.57-66 [67-80]

**First Reading** (Baruch 5.1–9)

A reading from the book of the Prophet Baruch

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction,  
O Jerusalem, and put on for ever the beauty of the glory  
from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes  
from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the  
Everlasting; for God will show your splendour everywhere  
under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name,  
'Righteous Peace, Godly Glory.' Arise, O Jerusalem, stand  
upon the height; look toward the east, and see your  
children gathered from west and east at the word of the  
Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For  
they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies;  
but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on  
a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high  
mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the  
valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may  
walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every  
fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For  
God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with  
the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Canticle: Luke 1.68–79**

**Response:**

**Blessed be the Lord, who sets his people free.**

Blessèd be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
for he has come to his people and set them free.  
He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,  
born of the house of his servant, David. **R**

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,  
that he would save us from our enemies,  
from the hands of all that hate us.  
He promised to show mercy to our forebears  
and to remember his holy covenant. **R**

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham:  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,  
free to worship him without fear,  
holy and righteous in his sight, all the days of our life. **R**

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,  
To give his people knowledge of salvation,  
by the forgiveness of their sins. **R**

In the tender compassion of our God,  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,  
To shine on those who dwell in darkness  
and the shadow of death,  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace. **R**

**Second Reading** (Philippians 1.3–11)

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, I thank my God every time I  
remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of  
my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the  
gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this,  
that the one who began a good work among you will bring it  
to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to  
think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your  
heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my  
imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the  
gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with  
the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that  
your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and  
full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in  
the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having  
produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through  
Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

You will be called the prophet of the Most High;  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Gospel** (Luke 3.1-6)

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke

**Glory to you, O Lord**

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when  
Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of  
Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea  
and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the  
high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God  
came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went  
into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism  
of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in  
the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of  
one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the  
Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and  
every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked  
shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth;  
and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ**