



# WELCOME TO ST CHAD LADYBARN

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This morning we welcome again the Revd Keith Justice to preside.

**Gospel acclamation Reader:** Alleluia! Alleluia! Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Look, the young woman is with child and shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel.

**Response: Alleluia!**

**Eucharistic Prayer E**

## This morning's music

140 Come, thou long-expected Jesus  
692 Tell out my soul  
535 O come, O come Emmanuel  
55 Author of life divine  
451 Long ago, prophets knew  
*Jones: Prelude on Cross of Jesus*

## This morning's readings

**Micah 5.2-5a** (reader: Freda Evans); **Psalm 80.1-8**;  
**Hebrews 10.5-10** (reader: Jean Nixon);  
**Luke 1.39-45** (Gospeller: Colin Powell)  
Intercessor: Leslie Fletcher

## Prayer at the lighting of the Advent candle

Lord Jesus, light of the world, blessed is Gabriel, who brought good news; blessed is Mary, your mother and ours. Bless your Church preparing for Christmas; and bless us your people who long for your coming.

## Collect for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

God our redeemer, who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary to be the mother of your Son: grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour, so we may be ready to greet him when he comes again as our judge; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

## Post-Communion for 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.

**Tea and coffee are served in the Hall after the morning service - all welcome**

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| <b>Talent Money</b>                         | £1,415 has been raised in Talent Money – grateful thanks to all concerned  |
| <b>Last week</b>                            | Thanks to all who contributed to the Statement of Need consultation. The Post-Its and A-board are still available to add further comments.   |
| <b>Today</b>                                | 3.30pm Carol Service, in a traditional style with special carols sung by our extended choir. Mince pies and other seasonal refreshments afterwards.  |
| <b>Christmas flowers</b>                    | Please give Barbara contributions towards flowers in church over Christmas.  |
| <b>Christmas Greetings Board</b>            | Please contribute a picture, Christmas card, poem or other form of Christmas greeting instead of sending multiple cards to a lot of people in the congregation. All are invited to take part and to donate money saved to the Children's Society.  |
| <b>Christmas services</b>                   | Christmas Eve: 11.30pm First Communion of Christmas with address<br>Christmas Day: 10.00am Holy Communion with carols and address<br>Sunday 27 December: 10.00am Holy Communion with carols and address<br>New Year's Day: 11.00 – 11.45am Matins with seasonal hymns and carols                                       |
| <b>Pastoral care during the interregnum</b> | Please tell the Churchwardens of illness and similar issues affecting people associated with St Chad's, need for pastoral visits or Home Communions, &c. Telephone calls to the Rectory telephone number (445 1185) will be diverted to a mobile phone which the churchwardens are taking turns to be responsible for. |

## Readings for the First Communion of Christmas

**Isaiah 52.7-10** (Reader Kathleen Mulligan); **Psalm 96**; **Titus 2.11-14** (Reader: Judy Fletcher);

**Luke 2.1-20** (Gospeller: Helen Reid) **President and Preacher:** Albert Radcliffe, **Intercessor:** Leslie Fletcher

## Readings for Christmas Day

**Isaiah 9. 2-7** (Reader: Jenny Black); **Hebrews 1.1-12** (Reader: Judy Fletcher); **John 1.1-14** (Gospeller: Helen Reid)

**President:** Colin Powell, **Preacher:** Helen Reid, **Intercessor:** Helen Reid