

### Bible Reading Fellowship:

There are two types of daily Bible reading published three times a year by BRF:

- **New Daylight** which prints the Bible passage followed by a short commentary
- **Guidelines** which is a longer commentary, you read the passage in your own Bible.

They each cost £14.00 for the year. Large print copies of New Daylight cost £17.75. If you would like to order either New Daylight or Guidelines for 2020, please send a cheque (made payable to Bath Abbey Ltd) to Alison Long, 104 Marsden Road, Bath BA2 2LQ by 30<sup>th</sup> November. Thank you.

**Shoppers' Carols:** Because of reduced seating we have increased the number of Shoppers' Carol Services (still 20 minutes) from 15 to 21. Thank you to all those who have volunteered to help, please pray for all the logistics and that people will feel warmly welcomed and freshly engaged with the Christmas story.

#### For your prayers

**'...in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made known to God,' Philippians 4. 6**

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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**Prayers for Zambia:** Please pray for our sisters and brothers at St Michael and All Angels in Kitwe, that Advent and Christmas may be for them a time of renewed joy and gladness. Please pray for their ministry to young people, that the boys and girls in that church family may grow up in faith, in hope, and in the knowledge that they are loved. Please pray also for their parish priest, Father Japhet Ponda, and for their bishop and archbishop, the Most Reverend Albert Chama, that both may be given wisdom and strength to minister with humility and compassion as well as enthusiasm and energy. Amen.

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Pray for Contact Group Leaders: Andrew Fletcher and Izzi Sheldon  
Pray for the Abbey Archivist Anna Riggs and the Head of Interpretation, Learning and Engagement Ollie Taylor

Ministers: Every Member

Rector: The Revd Canon Guy Bridgewater

Abbey Missioner: The Revd Stephen Girling

Associate Priest: The Revd Evelyn Lee-Barber

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#### ABBEY OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday 10.00am – 3.30pm, Tuesday – Friday 9.00am – 3.30pm

# Welcome

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2019

## Christ the King

At the beginning of this week we gather to worship God before going to serve him in the city and wider world or here at the Abbey

### 8.00 am Holy Communion

New Testament Colossians 1:11-20 (p 197)

Gospel Luke 23:33-43 (p 85)

Preacher The Revd Stephen Girling

### 9.30 am Parish Communion

**There is a crèche and groups for young people**

Old Testament Jeremiah 23:1-6 (p 736)

Gospel Luke 23:33-43 (p 85)

Preacher Mr Tim Norton (Youth & Families Minister)

### 11.15 am Sung Eucharist with the Abbey Choir of Girls and Lay-Clerks

Old Testament Jeremiah 23:1-6 (p 736)

Gospel Luke 23:33-43 (p 85)

Preacher Mr Tim Norton (Youth & Families Minister)

*The setting is Mass in G by Vaughan Williams*

### 3.30 pm Choral Evensong with the Abbey Choir of Boys and Lay-Clerks

Introit Thou knowest Lord Purcell

Responses Clucas

Psalm 46 (p 193)

Old Testament 1 Samuel 8:4-20 (p 258)

New Testament John 18:33-37 (p 110)

Canticles Stanford in C

Anthem Let the people praise thee Mathias

Hymn 192

### 6.30 pm Informal Evening Service

Leader: The Revd Evelyn Lee-Barber

*A 45 minute reflective service with scriptures and prayers to end the day. Everyone welcome.*



<b>Mon 25</b>	The Abbey will be open for visiting from 9.30am-5.30pm 8.30 am Morning Prayer 5.30 pm Evening Prayer
<b>Tues 26</b>	The Abbey will be open for visiting from 9am-5.30pm 8.30 am Morning Prayer 6.00 pm Dorothy House Service
<b>Wed 27</b>	The Abbey will be open for visiting from 9am-5.30pm 8.30 am Morning Prayer 5.30 pm Evening Prayer
<b>Thurs 28</b>	The Abbey will be open for visiting from 9.00am-11.45am & 3.15pm-5.30pm 8.30 am Morning Prayer 10.30 am Holy Communion 12.30 pm Shoppers' Carols 2.00 pm Shoppers' Carols 5.30 pm Evening Prayer
<b>Fri 29</b>	The Abbey will be open for visiting from 9.00am-11.45am & 3.15pm-5.30pm 8.30 am Holy Communion 12.30 pm Shoppers' Carols 2.00 pm Shoppers' Carols 5.30 pm Evening Prayer
<b>Sat 30</b>	The Abbey will be open for visiting from 9.00am-11.45am 12.30 pm Shoppers' Carols 2.00 pm Shoppers' Carols 3.30 pm Shoppers' Carols

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December – First Sunday of Advent

	The Abbey will be open for visiting from 1.00pm-2.30pm
8.00 am	Holy Communion
9.30 am	Parish Communion
11.15 am	Sung Eucharist
4.30 pm	Advent Service – <i>Admission by free ticket only</i>
7.00 pm	Advent Service – <i>Admission by free ticket only</i>

### NOTICES

**Ticketing for Nine Lessons and Carols:** Application forms will be available from midday on Wednesday, 27th November, either by downloading the form from the Abbey website or collecting a hard copy from the Abbey Office. Please note the services this year are on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 5pm and 7.30pm. All application forms must be returned to the Abbey office with a sae.

**Bath Abbey's new website:** If you've logged onto [www.bathabbey.org](http://www.bathabbey.org) you may have noticed that our website has changed! The new website was launched last week and offers a modern design as well as user-friendly navigation. It is also compatible with all mobile devices. Please take a look – we hope you like it!

**Support Footprint with our Beautiful Hand-Made Christmas Cards:** Sue Clark, the Abbey's Worship Administrator, has created beautiful hand-made Christmas cards to fundraise for Footprint. With prices ranging from 50p to £1.30 and all proceeds doubled by the Brownsword Matchfund, this is a wonderful way to support the Abbey's Footprint Project! Available to buy from the Abbey Office, Monday to Friday until 3pm.

**November SPCK Book of the Month: *Following Jesus: Finding Our Way Home in and Age of Anxiety* by Henri Nouwen.** At one of the lowest points in his life, Henri Nouwen gave a series of lectures on the importance of following Jesus in an age of anxiety. This new work from the archives of the Nouwen estate draws on those talks. With warmth and insight, it helps readers to navigate conviction and faith. It reveals the deep turmoil and sometimes chaotic inner life of the man who has become an icon of compassion and vulnerability for Christians and non-Christians alike. **Available in Bath Abbey Shop for £12.99.**

**Friends of Bath Abbey visit to Ypres and the Somme in May 2021:** Full details of this five day trip and wonderful opportunity to visit the Commonwealth War Graves, Cemeteries and Memorials of the WWI Western Front in the company of a professional guide are available from Ken Madden, the Friends' stand in the Abbey or from the Abbey Office.

**Candle Lighting for Advent Service:** We need a small team to help the Ops Team by lighting candles before the first service. Please contact [thevergers@bathabbey.org](mailto:thevergers@bathabbey.org). Thank you.

**'The Spirit of Giving' Christmas Party, 11th December at Holburne Museum: Tickets Available Now.** Join us for an evening of festive treats, carols and art at the Holburne Museum as six local charitable organisations, including Bath Abbey, come together to host a special Christmas party - all for a good cause! Enjoy a cosy evening in the Holburne Museum's beautiful galleries, with delicious festive refreshments and a view of the latest exhibitions of Rembrandt and Matisse. Try your hand at the Christmas raffle and hear the best in young musical talent perform carols and songs throughout the night. All proceeds from the evening will help the hosting organisations deliver world-class research, education, art and heritage in our city. Tickets cost £10 and are available from the Holburne Museum website at <https://www.holburne.org/events/the-spirit-of-giving/> Tickets are limited, so book soon to avoid disappointment.

**Donations to Lifeline please:** We would be grateful for donations of warm clothes for both men and women, in particular, jeans, sweatshirts, fleeces, trousers, socks, underwear, T-shirts, coats, trainers and boots. We also require bedding, blankets, duvets, pillows, towels and tea towels. Rucksacks and holdalls would also be greatly appreciated. Donations directly to Lifeline, Gateway Centre, London Road, Bath, BA1 6DH weekdays from 10am-12 noon or contact Lifeline direct on 01225 439384.

**Volunteer needed: Bath Foodbank Agencies Co-ordinator** required to work 2 to 3 hours per week. Training provided. For more information please contact Tim Harris, Foodbank, at [tharris.bathfb@gmail.com](mailto:tharris.bathfb@gmail.com).