NOVEMBER 21, 2021 THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT – THE REIGN OF CHRIST Saint Thomas's Church,

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Propers for 8:00 am Eucharist:

Page 259; Introit: Psalm 85.1-7; Gradual: Psalm 85.8-13

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

ΤΟΠΑΥ	THE SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT 8:00 am Said Eucharist 9:30 am Sung Mass 11:00 am High Mass 4:00 pm Evensong and Coffee Hour <i>(Zoom)</i>
Sun. Nov. 28	ADVENT I 8:00 am Said Eucharist (please register) 9:30 am Sung Mass (please register) 11:00 am High Mass (please register) 4:00 pm Advent Carol Service (please register)
Wed. Dec. 1	Advent Bible Study at 7:00 pm on Zoom (see article)
Sun. Dec. 5	Advent II
Wed. Dec. 8	Advent Bible Study at 7:00 pm on Zoom
Sun. Dec. 12	Advent III
Wed. Dec. 15	Advent Bible Study at 7:00 pm on Zoom
Sun. Dec. 19	Advent IV 4:00 pm Nine Lessons and Carols*
Fri. Dec. 24	CHRISTMAS EVE* 3:00 pm Family Early-Bird Service 9:30 pm Recital followed by 10:00 pm High Mass
Sat. Dec. 25	CHRISTMAS DAY* 10:00 am High Mass

* Please note the changes to the times of these services, and update your calendars accordingly.

RE-OPENING OF ST THOMAS'S FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am

Provincial and Diocesan protocols permit limited attendance in person so that physical distancing can be maintained. For contact tracing purposes, please register on EventBrite via the parish website *www.stthomas.on.ca* or by calling 416 979-2323 x 4.

If you have difficulty registering to attend, or decide to come to Church after registration is closed, please do feel free to come to Church! The 8:00 and 9:30 am masses have not been to capacity, and social distancing has thus far been possible even at 11:00 am. The sidespeople will assist you in our ongoing efforts to be compliant. Be assured that thus far, there has been sufficient room every Sunday at all Services!

Please note that congregational singing is still not permitted.

The 9:30 and 11:00 am Eucharists will continue on YouTube and the 4:00 pm Evensong and Coffee Hour on Zoom until further notice.

Fr. Humphrey and Fr D'Angelo are available to administer the sacraments in person. Please do not hesitate to be in touch with them. We urge you to get vaccinated, not only for your own safety but for the good of all. Let us know if we can help facilitate that. Pray for all those in our province and city affected by Covid 19, and around the world where vaccines are not readily available.

THE FRIDAY FOOD MINISTRY is being joined for the first time by the Sigma Chi Fraternity as we prepare meals to serve our neighbours experiencing food insecurity and homelessness. This will take place on Friday, November 26 from 3:00 to 7:30 pm, and we are asking for our regular volunteers to come in and show Sigma Chi the ropes. We need volunteers for one or more of the following shifts:

3:00-5:30 pm Meal Prep 5:30-7:30 pm Meal Service and clean-up

Please contact Fr. James Shire at *fridayfoodministry@gmail.com* if you would like to join us!

Save the Date: "Until the Son of God Appear"

-A Three-Week Advent Bible Study-*Reading the Prophets of Exile and Return in the Time of Pandemic* Wednesday, December 1st, 8th and 15th at 7 pm on Zoom.



The Nativity with the Prophets Isaiah and Ezekiel and The Flight into Egypt with the Prophets Jeremiah and Hosea Duccio di Buoninsegna, Sienese, 14th Century National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.

O Come, O Come Emmanuel, And Ransom captive Israel, Who dwells in lonely exile here, Until the Son of God Appear: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel

For further information, contact Fr D'Angelo. Zoom login information to be sent out in the weekly Thurible the week before the series begins.

DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK

(BCP pages 67-86, 259, Pr 34B, Yr 1)

Ordinary Weekday Introit: Psalm 85 The Lord shall speak peace unto his people and to his saints / and unto them that turn their heart to him. (Ps) Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast restored the fortunes of Jacob. Glory be... [Repeat Antiphon]

MONDAY (22) *Commem.* (Green) 12:15 pm *St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr, Rome* Daniel 1.1-20; Psalm 24.1-6; Luke 21.1-4

TUESDAY (23) *Commem.* (Green) 5:30 pm *Clement, Bishop of Rome, c. 100* Daniel 2.31-45; Psalm 96; Luke 21.5-9

WEDNESDAY (24) *Feria* (Green) 12:15 pm Daniel 5.1-6,13-28; Psalm 98; Luke 21.10-19

THURSDAY (25) *Commem.* (Green) 5:30 pm *Catherine, Virgin and Martyr, Alexandria* Daniel 6.6-27; Psalm 99; Luke 21.20-28

FRIDAY (26) *Feria* (Green) 12:15 pm Daniel 7.1-14; Psalm 93; Luke 21.29-33

SATURDAY (27) *Feria* (Green) 10:00 am Daniel 7.15-27; Psalm 95.1-7; Luke 21.34-36

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