NOVEMBER 28, 2021 THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT Saint Thomas's Church, 383 Huron Street, Toronto, M5S 2G5 416-979-2323 www.stthomas.on.ca office@stthomas.on.ca twitter: @stthomastoronto

Propers for 8:00 am Eucharist: Page 95, Introit: Psalm 25.1-7; Gradual: Psalm 85.4-7

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

ΤΟΟΑΥ	ADVENT I 8:00 am Said Eucharist 9:30 am Sung Mass 11:00 am High Mass 4:00 pm Advent Carol Service (no coffee hour this week)
Wed. Dec. 1	Advent Bible Study at 7:00 pm on Zoom (see article)
Sun. Dec. 5	ADVENT II 8:00 am Said Eucharist <i>(please register)</i> 9:30 am Sung Mass <i>(please register)</i> 11:00 am High Mass <i>(please register)</i> 4:00 pm Evensong and Coffee Hour <i>(Zoom)</i>
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* 8:00 am Said Eucharist 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 now permitted on the condition that protocols around mask wearing and distancing are strictly followed.

The 9:30 and 11:00 am Eucharists will continue on YouTube, and the 4:00 pm Evensong and Coffee Hour on Zoom will resume next Sunday and continue 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.

UPCOMING SUBWAY AND ROAD CLOSURES

On its website the TTC has stated that there will be no more weekend shutdowns in 2021, but as all of us who depend upon public transit know, things can change drastically. Please check for transit advisories at *ttc.ca*.

For a list of planned (and unplanned) road closures due to events or construction in the city, please see the City of Toronto site: *www.toronto.ca/roadrestrictions* and click on the tab marked "list." This site changes constantly, so check it often.

"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, please contact Fr D'Angelo. Check this week's Thurible for Zoom login information.

DAILY MASSES THIS WEEK

(BCP pages 67-86, 95, Advent I, Yr 2)

Ordinary Weekday Introit: 25.1-4 Unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee. / O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me. For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed. (Ps) Show me thy ways, O Lord, and teach me thy paths. Glory be... [Repeat Antiphon]

MONDAY (29) *Feria* (Green) 12:15 pm Isaiah 2.1-5; Ps 122; Matthew 8.5-13

TUESDAY (30) *HOLY DAY* (Red) 5:30 pm *Saint Andrew The Apostle* Pr Bk Propers, page 260 Introit: Ps 92.1-4; Gradual: Ps 92.12-15

WEDNESDAY (1) *Feria* (Green) 12:15 pm Isaiah 25.6-9; Ps 23; Matthew 15.29-39

THURSDAY (2) *Feria* (Green) 5:30 pm Isaiah 26.1-6; Ps 118.19-24; Matthew 7.21-27

FRIDAY (3) *Feria* (Green) 12:15 pm *Francis Xavier, Missionary to the Far East, 1552* Isaiah 29.17-24; Ps 27.1-4,15-16; Matthew 9.27-31

SATURDAY (4) *Feria* (Green) 10:00 am *Clement of Alexandria, Priest, c. 210* Isaiah 30.19-21,23-26; Ps 147.1-11; Matthew 9.35–10.1,5-8

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