

St Mary's Church Wexham

16 November , 2025, Second Sunday before Advent



Services today

8am – Holy Communion, (Revd Andrew Parry)
10am – Holy Communion, (Revd Andrew Parry)
10am - Young Church in the hall.

Hymns for 10am today:- 522, 172, 139, S 19

Services next week, 23 November

8am – Holy Communion
10am – Holy Communion
10am - Young Church in the hall

INTERCESSIONS - Our prayers have been asked for Lorna and Charles, Hazel and Elle, Malcolm, Jane, Janine, Julie.

COLLECT

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power and great glory
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

READINGS

2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13 Warning Against Idleness
Please use the blue book in your pew if you want to follow this reading.

Luke 21:5-19 Jesus Foretells Destruction of the Temple

⁵ And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he said, ⁶ “As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”
⁷ And they asked him, “Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?”
⁸ And he said, “See that you are not led astray.
For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them.
⁹ And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.”
¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.

¹¹ There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences.
And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven.
¹² But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake.
¹³ This will be your opportunity to bear witness.
¹⁴ Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵ for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict.
¹⁶ You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death.
¹⁷ You will be hated by all for my name's sake.
¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish.
¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your lives.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious Lord,
in this holy sacrament
you give substance to our hope:
bring us at the last
to that fullness of life for which we long;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

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CHRISTMAS HOMELESS APPEAL

Please can you help us to collect some items so the homeless of Slough can have a little gift.

Suggested items:- hats, gloves, pants, (medium or large), socks, disposable hand-warmers, feminine hygiene items, disposable razors. Little packs of biscuits or sweets. If you would prefer to donate cash so somebody can shop for you, please contact Yvette at yvettehickman@googlemail.com or on 07450 669 474, or put in an envelope to hand in at one of the church services.

A BOX IS IN THE CHURCH PORCH FOR DONATIONS.

YOUNG CHURCH - This Sunday we will be talking about what prediction means. We will hear that Jesus does not want us to worry he will be with us through good and bad times, we need to trust him. We will make Happy face Cupcakes and a no-fear collage with finger painting.

NOTICES

Monday, 7.30pm for 7.45pm, Bingo – all welcome.

10.30, at Chris' house. **If you are interested in joining, please speak to Chris. m. 07790 366 241.**

Thurs.20th, 7.30pm – Emmaus Road meeting in church.

Thurs. 20th , 7 – 9pm - Chaplaincy meeting in the hall.

Saturday 22nd, 11am - Baptism preparation for Hudson Hudell.

Sunday 23rd, 12 noon, Rector/Wedding couple meeting, in hall.

MEETING SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAY 6th DECEMBER IS CANCELLED. A new date will be announced next month.

HAVE YOU GOT YOUR NEW 2026 DIARY YET ?

Make a date for **January 16th - Friends of St. Mary's Quiz Night.**
Tickets £10 each, to include a ploughman's supper.

Our **St Marys Wexham YouTube** channel is feeling unloved. It has only 17 subscribers. We want to use it to livestream some of our Christmas services and to do that we need 50 subscribers. If you use YouTube **could we ask if you would subscribe? There are no fees or details to be added etc.**

The easiest way is to go to our website homepage, scroll down and in the right hand side of the screen you will see a link "See some of our services and activities on YouTube". When you get to the channel please click on "subscribe"..