

Sunday 24th December readings:

4th Sunday of Advent

2 Samuel Ch7 v1-11,16

Romans Ch16 v25-27

Luke Ch1 v26-38

Hymns:

20 On Christmas night all Christians sing

3 Of the Father's love begotten

8 See amid the winter's snow

5 The first Nowell

Collect

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.

Prayers for the week

Father, all-powerful God, your eternal Word took flesh on our earth when the Virgin Mary placed her life at the service of your plan. Lift our minds in watchful hope to hear the voice which announces his glory and open our minds to receive the Spirit who prepares us for his coming. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Jesus Christ, your birth at Bethlehem draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth: accept our heartfelt praise as we worship you, our Saviour and our eternal God. Amen.

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Midnight Communion

Isaiah Ch52 v7-10

Hebrews Ch1 v1-4

John Ch1 v1-14

Hymns:

19 Once in Royal David's city

14 It came upon the midnight clear

13 Silent night, Holy night

10 Hark the Herald angels sing

Collect

Eternal God, who made this most holy night to shine with the brightness of your one true light: bring us, who have known the revelation of that light on earth, to see the radiance of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Verse for the week

For nothing will be impossible with God.

Luke Ch1 v37

Readings for 31st December

1st Sunday of Christmas

Isaiah Ch 61 v10 – Ch62 v 3

Galatians Ch4 v4-7

Luke Ch2 v15-21

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