

**THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT MARY
CHURCH LANE, CUBBINGTON CV32 7JT**



VICAR: Revd. Graham Coles

SUNDAY 28th November 2021

SERVICES TODAY

10.00am: All Age Service
6.00pm: Darkness to Light

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**Service for  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

**10.00am:** Holy Communion  
Common Worship

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Wednesday 1st December

Santa Parade around the village
from 5.30pm

Saturday 4th December

St. Mary's Christmas Fayre
2.30pm until 4.00pm
in the Village Hall

Sunday 5th December

**Village Christmas Lights
Switch on from 5.00pm**

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**CUBBINGTON CALENDARS 2022**

On sale in church **£5.00**

All profits going to

**'Look good and feel better'  
Facing Cancer with Confidence.**

**THIS COMING WEEK**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

**2.00pm:** Ladies Fellowship  
Please bring foliage and scissors

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November**

**10.30am:** Little Miracles  
**2.30pm:** Key Stage 1 and 2  
Advent Service  
**7.30pm:** Bellringing Practice

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December**

**10.00am:** Holy Communion  
Book of Common Prayer

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December**

**7.00pm:** Growing our Faith

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Mothers' Union

Again this year,
Mothers' Union are preparing
Christmas Gifts to be handed
out in the Parish.

Please see the notice board in the
porch for suggested items if are
able to help with any donations.

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**This week's eco tip:** to clean the  
toilet without bleach, try pouring white  
(clear) vinegar into the pan after it has  
been flushed and leaving for as long  
as possible before brushing.

# The First Sunday in Advent

## THE COLLECTS

God of Abraham and Sarah, and all the patriarchs of old, you are our Father too. Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of David.

Help us in preparing to celebrate his birth to make our hearts ready for your Holy Spirit to make his home among us. We ask this through Jesus Christ, the light who is coming into the world. **Amen.**

Lord Jesus, light of the world, born in David's city of Bethlehem, born like him to be a king: be born in our hearts at Christmas, be King of our lives today. **Amen.**

People of God: awake! The day is coming soon when you shall see God face to face. Remember the ways and the works of God. God calls you out of darkness to walk in the light of his coming. You are God's children.

**Lord, make us one as we walk with Christ today and for ever. Amen.**

## Readings

### 1 Thessalonians 3: 9-end

<sup>9</sup>How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith.

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you. <sup>12</sup>May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you. <sup>13</sup>May he strengthen your hearts so that you will be blameless and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes with all his holy ones.

### Luke 21: 25-36

<sup>25</sup>"There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

<sup>29</sup>He told them this parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees. <sup>30</sup>When they sprout leaves, you can see for yourselves and know that summer is near. <sup>31</sup>Even so, when you see these things happening, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

<sup>32</sup>"Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

<sup>34</sup>"Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you suddenly like a trap. <sup>35</sup>For it will come on all those who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."