

# 1<sup>st</sup> of Advent

1<sup>st</sup> December 2024



## ST BRANNOCK'S & ST ANNE'S Historic Church ~ Living Faith Website: [brauntonparishchurch.org.uk](http://brauntonparishchurch.org.uk)

*Welcome St Brannock's church has a loop system. Set your hearing aid to the 'T' setting. Toilets are available in St Brannock's church through the large door on the left hand side of the church (looking towards the Altar). Disabled toilets in St Brannock's Rooms. At St Anne's, the compost loo can be found outside to your right of the church. Children's activity bags are available in both churches.*

### TODAY Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December

9.45am Holy Communion, St Brannock's,  
Coffee after the service in St B Rooms  
11.00am HC, St Anne's Saunton

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup>

1.40pm Cremation service, Barnstaple for the late Gloria Adams

### Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

8.30am Morning prayer St Brannock's  
7.00pm Advent Discussion Group, High Walls, home of Jackie & Tim

### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>

10.00am Holy Communion, St Brannock's Rooms (hall) not in the church. Coffee served after the service followed at 10.30am by the Advent Conversation  
12.00pm Community Café & Foodbank South Street Church  
4.00pm PCC meeting St Brannock's Rooms

### Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>

8.30am Morning prayer St Brannock's  
2.30 – 4.30pm Community Cafe  
Christ Church (opposite the Library)

### Friday 6<sup>th</sup>

8.30am Celtic Morning prayer St Brannock's  
9.30am Southmead School Christingle Carols  
St Brannock's church  
7.30pm Choir practice St Brannock's

### Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

10.00am Burial of ashes, late Gloria Adams

### NEXT Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent

9.45am Holy Communion, St Brannock's,  
Coffee after the service in St B Rooms

## Advent Conversations

*The Word became flesh  
- Embracing Humanity*

*Advent Discussion Group led  
by Revd David Baker*

Tuesday 7.00pm – 8.30pm  
3<sup>rd</sup> Dec, 10<sup>th</sup> Dec, High Walls, Hills View,  
Braunton (home of Tim & Jackie)

Wednesday 10.30am – 11.30am  
4<sup>th</sup> Dec, 11<sup>th</sup> Dec, St Brannock's Rooms, over  
coffee following the 10.00am service



## December Empathy

group gathering,  
will be at 2 pm in St. Brannock's rooms  
on **Monday 9th December.**

We are very fortunate in having Janice Cock demonstrating "how to make Christmas floral arrangements". This will be followed by a Bring and Share afternoon Festive tea. Any donations will be greatly appreciated.

Do come and join us, bring a friend or neighbour, all will be made very welcome.



# Welcome

**OPENING HYMN** No 282  
Hills of the North

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

**READING** Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

**GRADUAL HYMN** 135

Creator of the starry height

**GOSPEL READING** Luke 21:25-36

'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near.'

Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

**OFFERTORY HYMN** No 438

Make way

**POST COMMUNION COLLECT**

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN** No 405

Lo He comes



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You can now scan the QR code to donate your offering to the Church.



Thank You

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PLEASE TAKE THIS SHEET HOME FOR REFERENCE  
IN THE WEEK AND THEN RECYCLE IT

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