

# Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham - CHICHESTER



**THIRD SUNDAY  
of ADVENT(B)**

**16<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

**Hymns, Propers,  
and Readings**

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**Mass setting** – *Merbecke*

**Hymn 12**

**Introit**

*Gaudete in Domino (Phil 4:4,5,6: Ps*

*85:1)*

Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, rejoice. Let your moderation be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God.

Ps. Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land: thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

Glory be...Rejoice in...

**Advent Wreath III**

Blessed art thou, sovereign Lord, just and true: to thee be praise and glory for ever. Thy prophet John the Baptist was witness to the truth as a burning and shining light. May we thy servants rejoice in his light, and so be led to witness to him who is the Lord of our coming kingdom, Jesus our Saviour and King of the ages.

**Collect**

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight; who livest and reignest with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end.

## First Reading

*Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11 (RSV)*

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, because the LORD has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted; he has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; <sup>2</sup> to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn;...

<sup>10</sup> I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

<sup>11</sup> For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.

## Gradual

*Qui sedes, Domine (Ps 80:1)*

Show thyself, O Lord, thou that sittest upon the Cherubim: stir up thy strength and come.

V. Hear, O thou Shepherd of Israel: thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.

## Second Reading

*1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 (RSV)*

Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup> pray constantly, <sup>18</sup> give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. <sup>19</sup> Do not quench the Spirit, <sup>20</sup> do not despise prophesying, <sup>21</sup> but test everything; hold fast what is good, <sup>22</sup> abstain from every form of evil. <sup>23</sup> May the God of peace himself sanctify you wholly; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup> He who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.

**Alleluia Alleluia, alleluia!**

*Excita, Domine (Ps 80:2b)*

Stir up thy strength, O Lord: and come and help us.

**Alleluia, alleluia, Alleluia!**

## Gospel

*John 1:6-8, 19-28 (RSV)*

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup> He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup> He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light....<sup>19</sup> And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?"

<sup>20</sup> He confessed, he did not deny, but confessed, “I am not the Christ.” <sup>21</sup> And they asked him, “What then? Are you Elijah?” He said, “I am not.” “Are you the prophet?” And he answered, “No.” <sup>22</sup> They said to him then, “Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?” <sup>23</sup> He said, “I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’ as the prophet Isaiah said.” <sup>24</sup> Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. <sup>25</sup> They asked him, “Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?” <sup>26</sup> John answered them, “I baptize with water; but among you stands one whom you do not know, <sup>27</sup> even he who comes after me, the thong of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie.” <sup>28</sup> This took place in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

### **Offertory.**

*Benedixisti, Domine (Ps 85: 1,2)*

O Lord thou art gracious unto thy land, thou hast turned the captivity of Jacob: thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people.

### **Hymn 9**

### **Prayer over the Offerings**

Grant we beseech thee, O Lord, that the continual oblation of this our bounden duty and service, may evermore avail for the fulfilment of the institution of thine ordinance and for the accomplishment in us of the wondrous work of thy salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **Preface**

*Preface of Advent*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God; because thou didst send thy beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great glory to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; ever more praising thee, and saying: Holy, Holy, Holy &c.

### **Acclamation 2**

### **Communion**

*Dicite: Pusillanimes (Cf. Is 35:4)*

Say to them that are of a fearful heart: be strong, fear not; behold, your God will come and save you.

### **Postcommunion**

Have mercy upon us, O Lord, we beseech thee: and grant that the heavenly assistance of thy holy mysteries may so cleanse us from all our iniquities, that we may be made ready worthily to keep thy coming festival; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

## Hymn 5

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NEXT WEEK - ADVENT 4B - 2 *Samuel* 7:1-5, 8-12, 14a, 16. *Romans* 16:25-27 *Luke* 1:26-38

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### NOTICES

**RECONCILIATION** - The Clergy will hear confessions before any mass, on request.

**REFRESHMENTS** after mass in the Lower Meeting Room.

**SATURDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> December – ADVENT 3 – Sung Mass at 4.15pm**

**CHRISTMAS EVE– 24<sup>TH</sup> December – Solemn Mass of the Nativity at 6pm.**

**Clergy: Group Pastor: Fr Graham Smith. Assistant priest: Mgr Robert Mercer CR**

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**WEB SITES. Main Ordinariate website: [ordinariate.org.uk](http://ordinariate.org.uk)**

**Chichester Ordinariate website: [go-forward.co.uk/chichesterordinariate](http://go-forward.co.uk/chichesterordinariate)**

**Portal- The Official monthly magazine: [portalmag.co.uk](http://portalmag.co.uk)**

**Friends website: [friendsoftheordinariate.org.uk](http://friendsoftheordinariate.org.uk)**

**Of interest: [ordinariateexpats.wordpress.com](http://ordinariateexpats.wordpress.com)**

### THE PERSONAL ORDINARIATE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

The Apostolic Constitution *Anglicanorum Coetibus* was published by Pope Benedict XVI in November 2009 in response to petitions from a number of Anglican bishops around the world for corporate reunion with the Holy See. It provided for the erection of ordinariates anywhere in the world where groups of Anglicans with their clergy wished to come into full communion with the Holy See ending the schism begun in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. They retain many elements of their Anglican customs and traditions, their “liturgical, spiritual and pastoral ...treasures” which the Apostolic Constitution asks them to share with other Catholics. It is a fruit of the Decree on Ecumenism of Vatican II.

The Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham was erected in Britain in January 2011. Subsequently, the Ordinariate of the Chair of St Peter was erected in the USA and Canada and the Ordinariate of Our Lady of the Southern Cross in Australia and Japan. An ordinariate is similar to a diocese and its Ordinary acts vicariously on behalf of the Pope.