

The Parishes of St Edmund, Allestree and St Matthew, Darley Abbey

Advent Sunday, 3rd December 2023



Welcome to Worship today. Coffee is served after the 10 am services. All welcome.

10 am - St Edmund's - Morning Prayer

The service is led by John Rice

Hymn 26 Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding
Hymn 449 God of mercy, God of grace
Hymn 31 Lo, he comes with clouds
descending (*omit v.2*)

10 am - St Matthew's - Choral Communion

The service is led by Chris Halfpenny

Setting Mathias/Rutter/Darke in F
Hymn 26 Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding
Responsorial Psalm 80 vv.1-8 and 18-20
Hymn 41 A great and mighty wonder
Anthem From the rising of the sun, *Ouseley*
Hymn 267 Thou, whose almighty word

Today is Food Bank Sunday. Please leave donations in St Edmund's Church, Primrose's Shed at the Vicarage or in St Matthew's Fellowship Room by Tuesday morning.

6 pm - St Matthew's - Joint Advent Procession

The service is led by Clive Lemmon

There will be a special order of service.

Monday 4 December

2.30 pm - St Matthew's Choir Vestry - Standing Committee Meeting

Tuesday 5 December

12 noon - St Edmund's Church Hall - Luncheon Club
2 pm - St Matthew's Fellowship Room - FOSM Christmas Party.
Visitors welcome.

Wednesday 6 December

10 am - St Edmund's - Holy Communion, *led by Lee Martin*
11.15 am - St Matthew's - Funeral of Michael Burman

Thursday 7 December

10 am - St Edmund's Church Hall - Baby & Toddler Group

Saturday 9 December

9.30-12 noon - St Matthew's carpark - Refills on the Road
1.30 pm - St Matthew's - Wedding of Jonathan Tye & Jessica Booker

Sunday 10 December, Second Sunday of Advent

10 am - St Edmund's - Holy Communion, *led by John Rice*
10 am - St Matthew's - Morning Prayer, *led by Clive Lemmon*
6 pm - St Edmund's - Choral Evensong, *led by Clive Lemmon*

We'll be delivering **church Christmas cards** again this year. If you can help with deliveries, please email Elizabeth Jack eamack@googlemail.com), stating which area you can cover.

St Edmund's Handbells at Park Farm (head for the Co-op). Saturday 9th December, 10.30-11.30 am. Raising funds for Blood Bikes.

Any help to make **St Edmund's Christingles** on Saturday 16th December, 9.30-11 am in the Church Hall would be gratefully received.

63rd Derby (Darley Abbey) Scouts Curry & Quiz

Night - Sat 9 December - 7.30 pm (doors open 7 pm) - Darley Abbey Scouts Hall. Tickets: £14 adults, £6 under 16. Available at Darley Abbey Stores, text 07925 633 877 or e-mail 63rdderbyscouts.tickets@gmail.com

The next **22 Questions** (an open discussion group at 22 Phildock Wood Road DE22 4PH) - will be on Tuesday 12th December, 7.30-9 pm As well as tea/coffee/biscuits there will be wine. If you feel like bringing any other nibbles/drink please feel free (in no way compulsory!) If you haven't joined us before, please contact Chris for directions (07502291577).

The office is open Monday, Tuesday and Friday 9.30-12.30, Wednesday 9.30-3 and Thursday 11.30-3.

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