# **Churchwardens' Chat**

A very warm welcome to the Abbey today. Do come and join us for coffee after the service.

Our visiting organist today is Dave Ballard.

**Evensong tonight at 5pm:** Hymns NEH 386, 352, Psalm 29 Readings: Zechariah 6:9–end; Revelation 11:15–18

A big **Thank You** to all who helped at the **Christmas Fair** yesterday. To the refectory team, the tombola volunteers and those who supplied the wonderful selection of prizes, the marshals, the singers, the chair movers, to Jim, our very own St Nicholas and all those we've missed, THANK YOU! It was another *great* success. Shame about the weather, but inside the Abbey was warm and dry.

We hope that you find our weekly **Pew News** useful. We think it's time for a refresh, so we're looking at ways we might improve it, particularly to help those who are new to the church or visiting. If you've got any suggestions or ideas, please drop a note to the Wardens Jim or Brian on

<u>warden@wymondhamabbey.org.uk</u> Or collar us over a cup of coffee after the service!

## Cleaning Day Saturday 30 November 9am – 1pm

Let's start the Christian year on Advent Sunday with a sparkly clean church! How can you help?

Vacuum floors? dust a dirty corner? polish a pew? sweep the porch? clean the glass windows and doors? sort and tidy cupboards, and lots more besides . . .



Please help if you can for whatever time you can spare, bring your favourite tools if you wish. Coffee and cake provided!

## Don't miss our Christmas Concert! Saturday 14 December, 7pm.

The magnificent **Cawston Band** will give us a magical evening of traditional carols and Christmas classics. Please spread the news to friends and family. Tickets available in the shop or use the QR code here. Adults £12, under 18s free.



# Wymondham Abbey 🛠 24 November 2024

## The Feast of Christ the King

Welcome to the Abbey, especially if you are newly with us or visiting. You can use this sheet in conjunction with the main Eucharist booklet, for the hymns and readings etc. The hymns today are from the New English Hymnal

Hymn	345	Christ is the King, O friends rejoice!	Vulpius	
Gloria		Glory in the highest	Camberwell arr. Goodrich	
Psalm	93			
		R. The Lord shall reign for ev - er	and ev-er	
		The Lord is king and has put on glorious apparel; the Lord has put on his glory and girded himself with strength. He has made the whole world so sure that it cannot be moved. <b>R</b>		
		Your throne has been established from of old; you are from		

everlasting. The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their pounding waves. **R** 

Mightier than the thunder of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, the Lord on high is mightier. Your testimonies are very sure; holiness adorns your house, O Lord, for ever. **R** 

Hymn 295	Let all mortal flesh keep silence	Picardy
Mass setting	Collegium Regale	Howells
Anthem	O clap your hands	Rutter
Hymn 499	Thy kingdom come, O God	St Cecilia
Hymn 443	Rejoice, the Lord is King	Gopsal

## The Collect

#### Eternal Father,

whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

## The first reading: Revelation 1: 4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, and who is to come, the Almighty.

## Gospel reading: John 18: 33-37

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

### Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen** 

### We pray especially for:

The sick: Zorina Bell, Di Capocci, Isabel Davidson, Marion O'Connor, Julia Parker, Roy Pulsford, Jennie Rackham, Years mind: Sylvia Shears, Jill Faircliffe, Lewis Goodrich All who have lost loved ones.

#### This week at Wymondham Abbey

Mon 25 Nov	12 noon	Midday Prayer
Tue 26 Nov	12 noon	There is no Centring Prayer this week. Midday Prayer
Wed 27 Nov	10.30am 12 noon	Crochet and Conversation Said Eucharist
Thu 28 Nov	9.30am – 11.30 12 noon 7.30pm	Parent and Toddler group Midday Prayer Air Cadets enrolment evening
Fri 29 Nov	10am 12 noon	Quarter peal of bells Midday Prayer
Sat 30 Nov	From 9am	Abbey Cleaning Day
Sun 1 Dec	8am 10.30am 5pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Sung Eucharist Advent Carol Service

### Parish Giving Scheme

Thank you to all those who give regularly via this scheme. If you are not on the scheme you can offer cash or card donations at any of the contactless giving stations. You can support the Abbey at www.wymondhamabbey.org.uk/giving The life of the Abbey depends on congregational giving, so we are very grateful for your support.

### Pastoral visits

If you know anyone who might welcome a pastoral visit please let Fr Andrew know: vicar@wymondhamabbey.org.uk, 07543 593903 Please note that Fr Andrew's usual day off is a Monday.