

ST.GEORGE'S CHURCH FLUSHING

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Rota For December 2024

DATE	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Intercessor
12/1/2024 1st Sunday of Advent Trilingual	Spanish	English	Chinese	Trilingual
12/8/2024 2nd Sunday of Advent	Elsie Mbele	Shirley Bloomfield	Esther Fa	Audrey Dove
12/15/2024 3rd Sunday of Advent	Elis Lui	Mingyu Jin	Gary Jwo	Shirley Bloomfield
12/22/2024 4th Sunday of Advent	Audrey Dove	Edward Lanning	Shirley Bloomfield	Shirley Nelson



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Welcome

You are all one in Christ Jesus —Galatians 3:28

Second Sunday of Advent

English Service
December 8, 2024
9:30 am



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Sunday December 8, 2024

Welcome to St. George's

Welcome! Whoever you are, whatever your origin, wherever you are in your spiritual pilgrimage, you are one of us: *a child of God.*

St. George's Parish is a Christian community that celebrates the wondrous diversity of God's people; we are an inter-cultural church where worship is offered each week in three languages: English, Mandarin and Spanish.

We trust that God has called you here today. Please complete a visitor's envelope so we can tell you more about St. George's.

If you are unfamiliar with the pattern of worship in the Episcopal Church, simply relax in the liturgy and allow the rest of those present to carry you along in your worship, participate and be comfortable. You are invited to share Holy Communion with the congregation and we hope you will come to the coffee hour in the Parish Hall following this service.

Once again, welcome to this very old church that ministers in the present for the sake of a vibrant and faithful future.

In preparation for worship please silence all cell phones.

A Big Welcome To All Who Visit Us This Morning!

Intentions for intercession

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: For the Anglican Communion

Diocesan Cycle: For the Diocese of Long Island

Presiding Bishop Rt. Rev. Sean Rowe, Diocesan Bishop Lawrence Provenzano.

Assisting Bishops Geralyn Wolf and William Franklin, Daniel Allotey.

Our Parish Clergy Fr. Paul Xie, and Rev. Carrie Lu Zhang.

We remember in our prayers for healing of Body, Mind and Spirit the following persons:

Lida Watson, Kevin Pilgrim, Kenny Brown, Pauline Kelly, Emma Morales,
Robert Paul Ramirez, Gladys Gonzalez, Lois Newland, Shirley Wee, Henry Chang,
Alison Murray, Desmond Chambers, Debbie Rainford, Deshaine Rainford,
Dwight Phillips, Candice Mothersille, Beverly Dixon, Olga Gooding, Hilary Mears,
Rebecca Gardner, Winnifred Barnett, Eric Prawl, Paramjit Mahti, Ava Clarke,
Blaise Scelsi, Keith & Marie Brashaw, Gloria Harrison, Edward Johnson,
Floyd Bloomfield, Maximilian Henry, Rohan Singh, Tiffany Grajales,
Demetrius Philips, Sandra Singh, Paula Mesquita, David Lee, Salena Seeburg,
Venita Turner, Patrick Nathan, Victor Mears, Glen MacDonald, Lawrence Morgan,
Magda, Jona, Jorge Ospina and Gloria Carrion.

*Please note that names will remain on the prayer list for 3 months.
Please call the office, (718) 359-1171, to renew your prayer request.*

THANK YOU

Sermon

The Baptismal Covenant

BCP p. 304

The Prayers of the People Form III

BCP p. 387

Confession of Sin

BCP p. 360

Peace

Presentation 685

THE LITURGY OF EUCHARISTY

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p.361

Sanctus and Benedictus - S 125

The Lord's Prayer - S119

Plainchant

Breaking of the Bread

BCP p. 364

Fraction Anthem - S 164

Schubert

Communion Hymn - 339 & 693

Post Communion Prayer

BCP p. 365

Blessing

Hymn in Procession - 559

Postlude

Second Sunday of Advent

Prelude

Gathering and Entrance Rites

Hymn in Procession – 76

Advent Candle Lighting

Leader :

Almighty God, grant that the love of your son, Jesus Christ, may so light our whole lives that we need never again walk in darkness. Amen.

All :

Two candles, burning bright,
Chasing away the darkness from light.
Two candles, glowing light,
The blessing of God, giving new sight.

Prayer Hymn:

56 (3&4 Verses)

Holy Eucharist: Rite II

BCP355

HYMN: Holy God #S102

Collect of the Day

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Malachi 3:1-4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner’s fire and like fullers’ soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Psalm: The Song of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79)

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty savior,
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets he promised of old,
that he would save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham,
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

Free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

To give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

The Second Reading

Philippians 1:3-11

I thank my God every time I remember you, constantly praying with joy in every one of my prayers for all of you, because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your heart, for all of you share in God’s grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what is best, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

The Gospel Acclamation

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The Holy Gospel :

Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.’”