

Today's Services

8.00am Holy Communion

President: Rev. Michael Camp

Preacher: Rev. Paul Prentice, Curate

Readings: Isaiah 35; James 5: 7-10; Matthew 11: 2-11

10.30am Parish Eucharist

President: Rev. Michael Camp, Vicar.

Preacher: Enid Knight, Reader

Setting: Thorne Mass for St Thomas

Advent Antiphon: *O morning star*

Hymn: NS 24 'Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding'

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 35 (page 597)

Read by Alec Thompson

New Testament Reading: James 5: 7-10 (page 206)

Read by Rachel Hodge

Hymn: BH 42 (omit *) 'Make way, make way'

Gospel: Matthew 11: 2-11 (page 9)

Intercessions led by Jenny Lewis

Hymn: NS 177 'The kingdom come, O God'

Visitors who are used to receiving Communion in another Christian Church of whatever denomination are welcome to receive Communion here. If you are not a communicant you are welcome to come forward for a Blessing if you wish. If you'd like to receive a Blessing please bring this pew notice sheet to the Altar rail with you as a signal to the ministers.

Anthem: Manz *E'en so Lord Jesus*

Communion: BH 11

Hymn: BH 23 'God is working his purpose out'

Voluntary: J.S. Bach *Chorale Prelude on Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland BWV 659*

4.00 pm Nativity and Christingle Service

See Service Sheet

Collections

Half the loose cash given in the collection goes to Church funds. A quarter goes to the Children's Society and the rest is divided between other charitable causes.

The Week Ahead

Mid Week Services

Usually in the Chapel of the Resurrection

Mon	9.15am	Morning Prayer
	7.30pm	Bromley High School Carol Service
Tue	8.00am	Holy Communion
	7.00pm	Bickley Primary School Carol Service
Wed	8.15am	Morning Prayer
	10.30am	Holy Communion
Thu	8.15am	Morning Prayer
	12.15pm	Holy Communion
Fri	9.15am	Morning Prayer
Sat	8.15am	Morning Prayer
	2.40pm	CTCB Carol Service
Daily	5.00pm	Evening Prayer

Meetings and Events

Mon	No	Parish Toddlers resumes 7 th January
	8.00pm	Christmas Reflections (57 Park End)
Wed	6.30pm	Men's Group meet in church
Thu	2.30pm	Pastoral Group (at Rhoda's)
Sat	10.15am	Coffee Morning and Traidcraft Stall (rooms)
	1-4.30pm	Full Peal of Church Bells

Services Next Week Fourth Sunday of Advent

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President & Preacher: Rev. Michael Camp, Vicar.

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6.30pm Christmas Meditation on our new Crib Figures.

Led by: Rev. Michael Camp, Vicar.

Readings

Morning: Isaiah 7: 10-16; Romans 1: 1-7; Matthew 1: 18-end

Evening: 1 Samuel 1: 1-20; Revelation 22: 6-end

Notices

Attendance at Church Sunday 9 December 8.00am Holy Communion – 7 people; 10.30am Parish Eucharist – 117 communicants; Choral Evensong – 6 people.

Please save your **postage stamps** for JusB. See the notice at the back of the church.

Men's Group - Meet at 6:30pm in the church on Wednesday 19th December to put up the church Christmas candles and Christmas tree. Drinks in the Partridge afterwards followed by a curry in the New India restaurant in East Street. If you are unable to make the 6:30 start please feel free to join us when convenient. Enquiries to Paul Frankland (01689 831032/07811 957852).

Christmas Reflections & Refreshments. Monday 17 December 8pm, at 57 Park End. Instead of the usual meditation in Church please come to my home to share the meaning of Christmas and enjoy time together – all welcome. Margaret Thompson.

Confirmation. We shall shortly be beginning to prepare for confirmation next year. If you are considering coming forward for confirmation, please speak to the clergy. There will be a meeting early in the New Year.

CTCB need you. On Thursday 20 and Saturday 22 December, Churches Together in Central Bromley will be reaching out to the people of Bromley. We will be giving wooden tree decorations made by Palestinian Christians in Bethlehem as gifts together with details of all the services in the local churches. We need volunteers on both days. If you are willing to, please see Matthew Young.

Christmas in the Town Centre. On Saturday 22nd December, CTCB will be holding a short carol service from 2.40pm outside Nat West Bank in the High Street. This will be led by the Salvation Army. Everyone is welcome.

Lesson Readers Rota. The rota from now until 17 February is up at the back of church **next to the link doors.** Please initial to confirm or advise any changes to the office. Thank you.

New in for Christmas - DVD of church Jubilee celebrations and a guidebook and history of our church. As well as all the other favourite Jubilee items to make your Christmas shopping easy. See JRM at the entrance of the rooms. With all profits going to our festival charities.

Calendars, notelets, headed notepaper still available from Alec Thompson (8460 7546). Profits to the Jubilee Charities (£300 so far).

Songs of Praise. From the Royal Albert Hall tonight BBC 1 – highly recommended.

The **Women's Fellowship** meetings will recommence on Thursday, 10th January at 2.15pm.

The new edition of the **Prayer Calendar** is out next Sunday. Please let Alec Thompson know of any changes (020 8460 7546).

Intercessors. We meet for our once a year planning on Monday 7th January, 8pm at 57 park End. Please come with dates you are available up until April. Margaret Thompson.

This year BPC raised £28.87 for the British Legion **Poppy Appeal.**

Commemoration Service at Rochester Cathedral to mark the **60th Anniversary of the National Health Service.** Sunday 6th July at 3pm. If you work, or have worked, within the NHS and would like to attend this service please sign the list up at the back of the church and you'll get a personal invitation.

Prayers

We pray...

...for the Diocese of Worcester and Bishop Peter

...for St James, Tunbridge Wells

...in our Church for Pastoral Work and Outreach,

...in our Town for local hospitals, the Health Service, Social Services, Community Links Bromley, Bromley Y, LATCH and BCYVS.

...in the Parish for Bromley North and Town.

...for those who continue to need our prayers over a longer period Tony Galloway, Edna Frost, Jean Gribble, Leighton Jones, Tom Cownty, James Davis, Kim Chappell, Elizabeth Webb, John Bryant, Amanda Spence.

...for those who receive Communion at home or in residential care Jean Ingram, Vera Collier.

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Please try to avoid contacting the clergy between
5.30 and 7.00pm and on their day off.

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Bromley Parish Church
St. Peter and St. Paul

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Sunday 16 December 2007
Third Sunday of Advent

Collect

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Welcome to Bromley Parish Church.

...especially if this is your first time here. Please take one of our welcome leaflets, which tell you a bit about the Church.

Children are welcome at our services. There is a cupboard full of books at the back and at the 10.30am service there is a crèche, which you are welcome to make use of if you wish.

Hearing aid users: the induction loop operates in the main body of the Church; switch your hearing aid to 'T'.

The 8.00am Holy Communion service begins on p229 of the black "Common Worship" book.

The 10.30am Parish Eucharist can be found on p9 of the pink service book.

The 4.00pm Nativity and Christingle Service can be found on the special service sheet.

See inside for further details

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