

## Today's hymns

Entrance	24	Come, thou long expected Jesus
Gradual	516	Love divine, all loves excelling
Offertory	148	Jesus lives, thy terrors now
Final	385	Be thou my guardian and my guide

## Evening Prayer and Bible Study this week

Evening Prayer and Bible study at All Saints in Cologne take place at 6pm to 6.30pm (Evening Prayer) and 6.30pm to 7.30pm (Bible study) this Friday. All are welcome.

## Singing group in Bonn-Beuel

The next informal sing-along will be on Wednesday 29th November. We meet in the basement at St. Paulus church in Bonn-Beuel at 7.30pm. Talk to Anne Wegner (02224 941008) or Jill Wolff ([jill.wolff@gmx.de](mailto:jill.wolff@gmx.de)) for more information.

## Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 2nd December

Preparations are well under way for the Christmas Bazaar at the St. Josef Pfarrheim (An Sankt Josef 19a, 53225 Bonn-Beuel) from 12-4pm on Saturday 2nd December. If you can help with setting up the evening before, helping with a stall, donating tombola prizes, contributing food, or clearing away afterwards, Geoff Sammon will be delighted to hear from you.

## Bishop Robert's Advent Appeal

This year's Advent Appeal aims to support homeless refugees and asylum seekers in Rome with humanitarian assistance (a daily, cooked breakfast and essential items for personal dignity and warmth) for 6 months. Can you help with a donation? More information is available at church or at: <http://bit.ly/2AJPDal>

## Weekly sheet

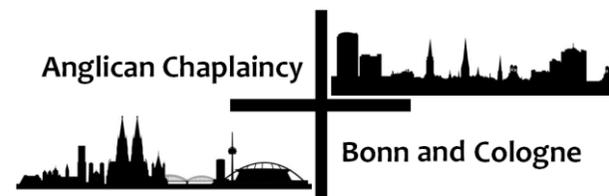
If you have any notices for this weekly sheet, please contact Jenny Knudsen on 0228 94693999 or e-mail: [notices@anglicanbonncologne.de](mailto:notices@anglicanbonncologne.de). The deadline is 9am on Wednesday morning for the following Sunday.

**Are you new to Bonn or Cologne, or to this church? For up to date information, follow us on Facebook/Twitter and visit our website. To be added to the mailing list, let us have your contact details.**

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## WELCOME

*Welcome to Sunday worship, especially if you are joining us for the first time. Refreshments will be served after the service. We hope you might stay and introduce yourself.*

## Sunday 19th November 2017 Second Sunday before Advent

President and preacher:  
Revd Michael Bullock

## Collect for today

Heavenly Lord,  
you long for the world's salvation:  
stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess,  
and revive in us new hope  
that all creation will one day be healed  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## Old Testament reading –

### Zephaniah 1.7,12-18

### The Great Day of the Lord

<sup>7</sup>Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; the Lord has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. <sup>12</sup>At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, 'The Lord will not do good, nor will he do harm.' <sup>13</sup>Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. <sup>14</sup>The great day of the Lord is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the Lord is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. <sup>15</sup>That day will be a day of wrath, a day of

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distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, <sup>16</sup>a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. <sup>17</sup>I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the Lord, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. <sup>18</sup>Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

### **Psalms 90.1-8,12**

Lord, you have been our refuge  
from one generation to another.

**Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or the earth and the world were formed,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

You turn us back to dust and say:

'Turn back, O children of earth.'

**For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday,  
which passes like a watch in the night.**

You sweep them away like a dream;  
they fade away suddenly like the grass.

**In the morning it is green and flourishes;  
in the evening it is dried up and withered.**

For we consume away in your displeasure;  
we are afraid at your wrathful indignation.

**You have set our misdeeds before you  
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.**

So teach us to number our days  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

### **New Testament reading – 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11**

#### **The Coming of the Lord**

<sup>1</sup>Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! <sup>4</sup>But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; <sup>5</sup>for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; <sup>7</sup>for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has

destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

### **Gospel reading – Matthew 25.14-30**

#### **The Parable of the Talents**

Jesus said to his disciples: <sup>14</sup>The kingdom of heaven is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; <sup>15</sup>to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. <sup>16</sup>The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. <sup>17</sup>In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. <sup>18</sup>But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. <sup>19</sup>After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup>Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." <sup>21</sup>His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." <sup>22</sup>And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." <sup>23</sup>His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." <sup>24</sup>Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; <sup>25</sup>so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." <sup>26</sup>But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? <sup>27</sup>Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. <sup>28</sup>So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. <sup>29</sup>For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. <sup>30</sup>As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

#### **Post Communion prayer**

Gracious Lord,  
in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope:  
bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**