

**Today's hymns:**

Entrance	36	The advent of our King
Gradual	26	Hark, a thrilling voice is sounding
Offertory	32	O come, O come, Emmanuel
Final	444	God is working his purpose out

**Sunday School today**

Children are warmly invited to join Sunday School during the service in both Bonn and Cologne today.

**Evening Prayer and Bible study this week**

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

**Christmas services in Bonn and Cologne**

*Saturday 8 December, 4 pm:* Christingle service, St. Paulus, Bonn

*Sunday 16 December, 6pm:* Nine Lessons and Carols with the Bonn English Singers, All Saints, Cologne

*Monday 17 December, 7.30pm:* Nine Lessons and Carols with the Bonn English Singers, St. Paulus, Bonn

*Monday 24 December, 11.30pm:* Midnight Eucharist, All Saints, Cologne

*Tuesday 25 December: 10am:* Christmas Day worship at All Saints, Cologne and St. Paulus, Bonn

**Nikolausmarkt in Bad Godesberg**

The Pereira Children's Education Fund ([www.pereira-education-fund.com](http://www.pereira-education-fund.com)) will have an information stand in the 'Vereinshütte' of the Nikolausmarkt in Bad Godesberg for one day tomorrow, Monday 3 December. Do go along and visit any time from 11am to 7.30pm.

**Weekly sheet**

If you have any notices for this weekly sheet, please contact Jenny Knudsen on 0228 94693999 or email: [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.**

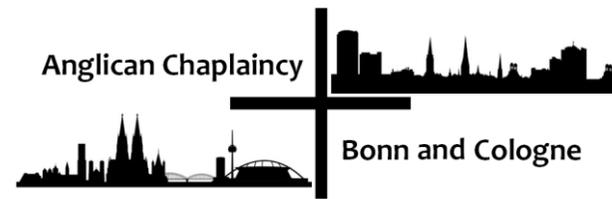
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**Any data you give us will be kept securely by the church authorities and in no case given to any third parties.**

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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 2 December 2018  
First Sunday of Advent**

President: Revd Michael Bullock (Bonn)  
Revd Richard Gardiner (Cologne)  
Preacher: Jenny Knudsen

**Collect**

Almighty God,  
give us grace to cast away the works of darkness  
and to put on the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life,  
in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us  
in great humility;  
that on the last day,  
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty  
to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**Old Testament reading – Jeremiah 33.14-16  
The Righteous Branch**

<sup>14</sup>The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup>In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice

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and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup>In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The Lord is our righteousness.'

### **Psalm 25.1-9**

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;  
O my God, in you I trust;  
let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies triumph over me.

**Let none who look to you be put to shame,  
but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.**

Make me to know your ways, O Lord,  
and teach me your paths.

**Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
for you have I hoped all the day long.**

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,  
for they are from everlasting.

**Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions,  
but think on me in your goodness, O Lord,  
according to your steadfast love.**

Gracious and upright is the Lord;  
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.

**He will guide the humble in doing right  
and teach his way to the lowly.**

All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

### **New Testament reading – 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13**

#### **Timothy's Encouraging Report**

<sup>9</sup>How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup>Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

<sup>11</sup>Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup>And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup>And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

### **Gospel reading – Luke 21.25-36**

#### **Exhortation to Watch**

Jesus said to his disciples: <sup>25</sup>There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup>People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the

heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup>Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

<sup>29</sup>Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>34</sup>Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.'

### **Post Communion prayer**

O Lord our God,  
make us watchful and keep us faithful  
as we await the coming of your Son our Lord;  
that, when he shall appear,  
he may not find us sleeping in sin  
but active in his service  
and joyful in his praise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

**The Bishop's Advent Appeal** (details on Diocesan website) this year is to enable St Andrew's Moscow to equip their church with a kitchen. As the charitable giving approved by the Council has already been made, individual earmarked donations may be given to the clergy, churchwardens or treasurer.

Alternatively, you can make a donation by online bank transfer; the account details are on the front page.

Please mark your donation "Bishop's Advent Appeal".

*Fr Michael was locum in Moscow for two months last year and can testify how much this rather mundane-sounding cause could benefit the Moscow Chaplaincy, the wider Moscow community, and indeed the continuing reconciliation.*