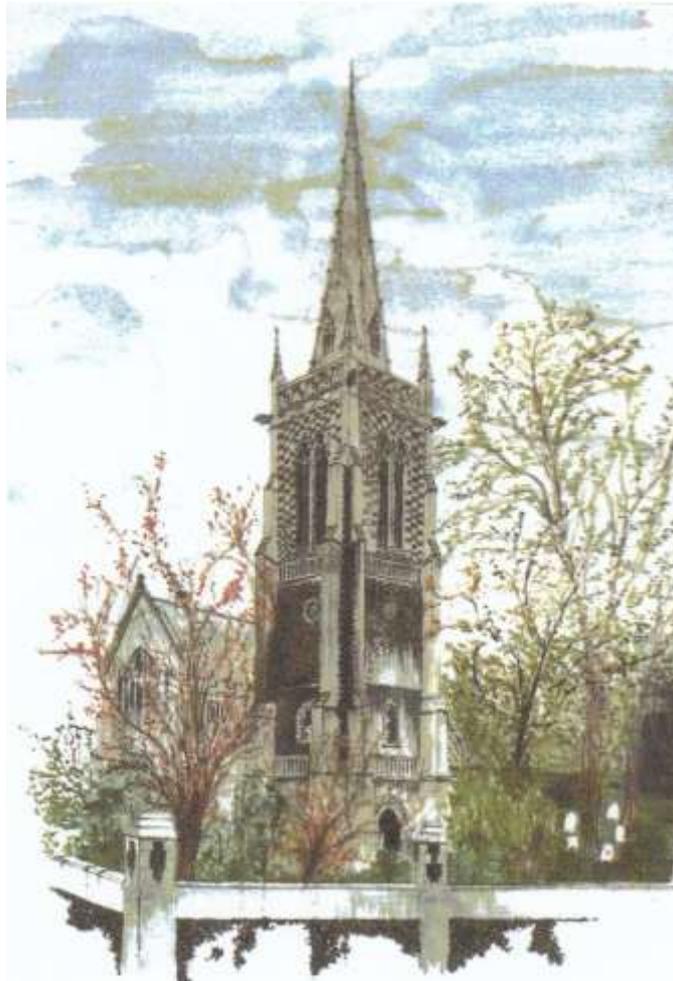


ST MARY-LE-TOWER CHURCH PAPER

SUNDAY 18th November 2018



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- 8.00AM Holy Communion (BCP)**
President: Canon Roger Pallant
- 9.30AM Choral Matins (BCP)** Choir: Girls, SCS & ATB
Officiant: Canon Charles Jenkin
Readings: Daniel 12.1-3; Hebrews 10.11-14
Psalm: 16 (page 360) Responses: *Sanders*
Setting: *Howells*: Te Deum (Collegium Regale)
Anthem: *Farrant*: Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake (page 5)
Hymn: NEH: 569i
- 10.30AM Choral Eucharist (CW)**
President: Canon Charles Jenkin
Preacher: Canon Roger Pallant Choir: Girls, SCS & ATB
Readings: Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25; Mark 13.1-8
Setting: *Sumsion* in F
Anthem: *Elgar*: Ave verum corpus (page 5)
Hymns: A&M: 584, 740, 641i(omit*), 688ii, 715
- 5.00PM Choral Evensong (BCP)** Choir: Boys & ATB
Officiant: Canon Charles Jenkin
Readings: Isaiah 10.33-11.9; John 14.1-29
Psalm: 95 (page 468) Responses: *Sanders*
Setting: *Batten*: Fourth Service
Anthem: *MacMillan*: A New Song (page 5)
Hymns: NEH: 497, 500

Principal Readings: Daniel 7.9-10,13-14; Revelation 1.4b-8; John 18.33-37

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Revd Jeanette Gosney
- 5.00PM Choral Evensong** *Canon Charles Jenkin*

Forthcoming Special Services

- Sunday 2nd Dec **6.30^{pm}** Advent Festival of Light & Hope (Advent Vigil)
- Sunday 23rd Dec **10.30^{am}** Crib Service

INTERCESSIONS

Yours, Lord, is the Kingdom: yours the kingly rule of grace and truth, which changes life and makes all things new.

We pray for the mission and unity of the Anglican Church throughout the World, praying especially for the Church in Bermuda. In our own diocese we pray for Joe Hawes (Dean) and the Cathedral Chapter and staff. We pray for vulnerable communities throughout the world that are already adversely affected by climate change; and ask for wisdom for political leaders.

In our life at the Tower we pray for the preparations being made for the Christmas Tree Festival; for volunteers, participants and visitors. For the opportunities offered to us to show and share God's love.

We pray for the homeless, especially those who live on the streets of Ipswich. For the Ipswich Churches Winter Night Shelter and others who offer similar support.

We pray for the people of California who have lost homes and livelihoods; and those who died and those who are bereaved as a result of the Wild Fires. For the Fire fighters who continue to work to extinguish the fires.

We pray for our own nation, for unity and common purpose as the final decisions about Brexit have to be made.

We pray for those we know who are sick or otherwise distressed including: Jaydon McConnachie, and Baby Harry Hausermann and family. We continue to pray for, Adrian Parry, George Pipe, Barbara Bellamy, Ian Miller, Linda Haywood Smith and Carolyn

We pray for all now unable to be regularly with us in Church, including this week: Joyce Courage and Lilian Caudle. *Be with them and those who care for them.*

We pray rest in peace and rise in glory for those who have recently died, including Marcus Yeo and we pray for all who mourn. We give thanks for the lives of those whose remembrance falls at this time of year, among them David Clark.

Names and Topics for the prayer lists should be given to the Administration Office.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY (The Collect)

**Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power and great glory
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

BIBLE NOTES

At times of great change, there is often a fascination with the extreme idea that the world as we know it is going to be completely overturned. At one level this can be seen as perhaps a way in which people prepare themselves for the possibility of significant change. On the other hand it can become an unhelpful, hysterical and despairing over-reaction.

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus is acknowledging to his disciples that big changes are indeed on the way, but he is warning them not to get things out of proportion. The early Christian Church clearly expected very soon the end of this world and the beginning of a new age, and this is reflected in numerous texts in the New Testament. But they also came to realise that this expectation was not quite right. Today with our greater understanding of the natural world, we can see rather more clearly that expecting the end of everything soon is in fact a fantasy.

Nevertheless, fantasies about the end of the world as we know it, remain potent vehicles for expressing human fears about the future, and the theme has become ubiquitous in computer games and disaster movies. Much of this often expresses a kind of hopelessness, but the Christian perspective is different, expresses trust and firm hope in the good purposes of God whatever lies ahead.

In all probability, significant changes do indeed lie ahead, but hysteria, apathy and despair are never helpful. People need to be mobilised to face the future with hope and confidence, and to be ready for action in God's service. That is what the parable of Christian hope in the Second Coming of Jesus is really about, trust and hope in God for a good future in an uncertain world.

Canon Charles

FIRST READING

Hebrews 10.11-14, 19-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, 'he sat down at the right hand of God,' and since then has been waiting 'until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.' For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit

of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

GOSPEL

Mark 13.1-8

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, ‘Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!’ Then Jesus asked him, ‘Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.’

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ‘Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?’ Then Jesus began to say to them, ‘Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, “I am he!” and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumours of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.’

ANTHEMS SUNG BY THE CHOIR TODAY

9.30AM, Farrant:

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives. To decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee, now and evermore. Amen

10.30AM, Elgar:

Ave, verum corpus	<i>Hail, true body</i>
natum de Maria Virgine,	<i>born of the Virgin Mary,</i>
Vere passum immolatum	<i>Who truly suffered, sacrificed</i>
in Cruce pro homine,	<i>on the Cross for man,</i>
Cujus latus perforatum	<i>Whose pierced side overflowed</i>
unda fluxit (et) sanguine,	<i>with water and blood,</i>
Esto nobis praegustatum	<i>Be for us a foretaste</i>
in mortis examine.	<i>In the test of death.</i>

5.00PM, Macmillan:

O sing unto the Lord a new song, sing unto the Lord all the whole earth. Sing unto the Lord and praise his Name, be telling of his salvation from day to day. For he cometh to judge the earth, and with righteousness to judge the world and the people with his truth.

CHOIR TOUR MEETINGS - SUN 25TH NOV

12N - for chorister and soprano choral scholar parents (in church)

6.00PM - for ATB choral scholars and adults (in church house)



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GEORGE FRIDERIC HANDEL

MESSIAH

Candlelit Performance



The Choral Foundation

4:30pm, Sunday 16th December 2018

Tickets £12 - £15 available on the door or in advance

Box Office: St Mary-Le-Tower, 17 Tower Street Ipswich.
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CHURCHYARD ACCESS – HATTEN COURT ENTRANCE

UK Networks will be carrying out essential works on the Hatten Court substation from 12th November for two weeks. During that time, the lane between Tower Street and the Hatten Court churchyard entrance will be closed. Disability access to the church via the Hatten Court gate will still be available but will involve going down to Tavern Street and coming back up the lane next to MacDonalds. We apologise for any inconvenience this might cause.

EBORACUM BAROQUE are launching their new CD with a concert at St Mary-le-Tower, on November 22nd at 7.45 for 8pm. They will be joined by soloists Alice Earll and Jonathan Hanley and the Tower Chamber Choir, under the direction of Christopher Borrett, who will perform Britten's Hymn to St Cecelia (22nd November is Britten's birthday and St Cecelia's Day.)

The CD, 'Music from 17th and 18th Century Suffolk', was recorded with support from Suffolk Record Office and features music by Suffolk's answer to Handel - Joseph Gibbs. We hold Joseph's will at our Ipswich branch, along with copies of his music scores. Rarely recorded before now, the music reflects Joseph's love of innovation from Europe. As well as being the organist at St Mary Le Tower, Joseph was friends with Thomas Gainsborough, who duly painted his portrait.

Tickets may be purchased from Eboracum Baroque's website (<http://eboracumbaroque.co.uk/event/suffolks-musical-innovators/>) or purchased at the door on the night (cash or cheques only please) and they have kindly agreed that proceeds will go to the Suffolk Archives Foundation.

Grand Christmas Tree Festival 2018

An Advent festival of hope and light and community.

Thurs 29th Nov – Wed 5th Dec

*****One week to go!!*****

we need your help to make our festival a resounding success.

Please sign up on the lists available at the back of Church.

Spreading the word – Please, everyone, help to distribute publicity about the festival and encourage organisations and people to take part. Literature is available at the back of church.

Welcomers – Entrance to the festival is free but volunteers are needed to provide a warm welcome to visitors, to offer assistance as might be required and to sell the festival programmes.

Café Service – Volunteers are needed be part of a team manning the café, serving refreshments and maintaining a clean, happy, friendly atmosphere in this very important area.

Cooks and Bakers – We have many talented cooks in our congregation and we hope you will feel able to pledge contributions of the foodstuffs required which are listed at the back of the church.

Festival Diary

Wed 28 th 7PM	Opening Event (by ticket only)
Sun 2 nd 6.30PM	Advent Festival of Hope and Light
Tues 4 th 1.10PM	Festival Lunchtime Concert
Tues 4 th 4.30PM	Christingle Candle Carol Service

Festival Charities

**The Music of St Mary-le-Tower Talitha Koum
Suffolk Law Centre**

FESTIVAL OPENING CELEBRATION

6.45pm for 7pm Wednesday 28th November
with guest speakers, a glass of wine and canapé.

Entry is free but strictly ticket only.

Please add your name to the sign up list at the back of the church.

If we can't get your ticket to you beforehand, it will be reserved for you at the door.

WHAT'S ON AT THE TOWER 19th – 27th November

The church is normally open to visitors 10AM – 12NOON

- Mon 19th 8.00AM Big Christmas Tree arrives – *Helpers welcome*
12N Prayers for Light and Peace
6.30PM Choral Evensong
- Tues 20th 1.10PM Lunchtime Concert: Scholars from Framlingham College
6.30PM Choral Evensong
- Wed 21st 10.30AM Holy Communion (BCP)
- Thurs 22nd 10.00AM Putting up pillar Christmas Trees – *Helpers welcome*
- Fri 23rd 10.00AM Putting up pillar Christmas Trees - *Helpers welcome*
8.30PM Choral Compline
- Sun 25th Usual Sunday Services except**
10.30AM Eucharist with all-age address
Choir Tour Meetings:
12N Parents of choristers, soprano choral scholars (in church)
6PM ATB choral scholars, parents and adults (in church house)
- Mon 26th *No Services.* 12.30PM – 8.30PM Setting up Festival Trees
- Tues 27th 09.00-11.00AM & 2. 30-8. 30PM Setting up Festival Trees
1.10PM Lunchtime Concert: Martin Ellis *organ*
No Choral Evensong.

THE BIG CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE arrives Monday 19th, at 8AM. Lots of help needed to carry it into church. (*Please let Revd Charles know*).

HELP! OUR VICAR IS INJURED Every year, our Vicar plays a huge part in the physical preparations for the Christmas Tree Festival. Charles has dislocated his shoulder and will not be able to do these tasks. Can you help with putting up pillar trees (Thurs 22nd and/or Friday 23rd Nov) and various furniture and equipment removals (25th, 26th and 27th). Please contact the Parish office if you are able to help in any way.

ADMINISTRATOR (Church and Tower House): Mrs Donna Joyce.

See Parish Office contact details on the front page.

Outgoing Letters: Remember to check the letter rack at the back of church.