

St Mary the Virgin, Finedon  
Advent Carol Service 2018

Order of Service

Organ Chorale Preludes for Advent

*Herr Christ, der ein'ge Gottessohn* BWV 601 by J.S. Bach

*Rorate Caeli* by Jeanne Demessieux

*Wachet Auf, ruft uns die Stimme* by Johann Gottfried Walther

*Wachet Auf, ruft uns die Stimme* BWV 645 by J.S. Bach

Choir – *The Lord bless you and keep you* by Paul Mealor

**32 – O Come, O Come Emmanuel**

*Bidding prayer*

*Lesson One*

Genesis 1: 1-5 - God creates light, and separates it from  
darkness

Choir - *O Radiant Dawn* by James Macmillan

*Lesson Two*

Isaiah 11: 1-9 - The Prophet foretells the coming of God's  
kingdom

**49 – Come, thou Redeemer of the earth**

*Lesson Three*

Isaiah 40: 1-8 - God will strengthen and help his people  
Choir – *And the glory of the Lord* from *Messiah* by G.F. Handel

*Lesson Four*

Luke 1: 26-38 - The angel Gabriel announces to Mary that she  
is to bear a son, Jesus

Choir – *Ave Maria* by Jonathan Harris

**242 – The Angel Gabriel from heaven came**

*Lesson Five*

Mark 1: 1-8 John the Baptist announces the coming of Christ  
Choir – *This is the record of John* by Orlando Gibbons

*Lesson Six*

Luke 2: 8-16 - The shepherds go to the manger

**29 – Hills of the north, rejoice**

*Lesson Seven*

Luke 12: 35-40 - Christ speaks of those who await his coming

**24 – Come thou long expected Jesus**

*Intercessions*

Sung response:

***'Kindle a flame to lighten the dark and take all fear away'***

*Lesson Eight*

John 1: 1-14 In the beginning was the Word

**31 – Lo, he comes with clouds descending**

*Blessing*

Organ Voluntary: *Fantasia in G (Pièce d'Orgue)* BWV 572 by  
J.S.Bach

You will be welcomed at any of our Christmas Services:

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Carol Service at 7.00pm

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December

Come & Sing *Messiah* part 1 with carols  
2.30 rehearsal; 4.30 performance

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December

Christingle at 4.00pm

Christmas Eve

Midnight Mass at 11.30pm

Christmas Day

Services at 8.00am & 9.30am

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January

Epiphany Carol Service at 6.00pm