December 2024 hymns & Mass settings for Woodbridge and Great Bealings

Services are the Eucharist at Woodbridge unless otherwise indicated Hymns from New English Hymnal (green) unless otherwise indicated

I December Advent Sunday

Eucharist 9.30 am St Mary's Great Bealings
Processional 30 Hark the glad sound!

Gradual 483 Lift up your heads, you mighty gates

Offertory 470 Hills of the North, rejoice

Final 32 Sleepers, wake!

Hymns from Ancient and Modern New Standard

Eucharist II am St Mary's Woodbridge

Processional I74 Make way, make way Gradual 274 Wait for the Lord (vv I - 4)

Offertory 275 Wake, O Wake! With tidings thrilling Communion 23 Be still, for the presence of the Lord

Final 77 Go forth and tell (tune: Woodlands NEH 186)

Hymns from New Hymns and Worship Songs

Mass setting New English Folk Mass Warrell

Anthem People, look East Besançon carol, arr. Rose

Communion antiphon Dominus dabit

A service for Advent 5.30 pm

Hymns Come, thou redeemer of the earth

Hills of the North, rejoice O come, O come Emmanuel Come, thou long-expected Jesus Lo, he comes with clouds descending

Introit Matin Responsory Willcocks & Rutter, after Palestrina

Anthems Adam lay ybounden Warlock

Benedictus Moore

People, look East Besançon carol, arr. Rose

8 December The Second Sunday of Advent

Eucharist 10 am and toy service

Processional 5 Hark! a herald voice is calling

Gradual The Advent Prose

Offertory 483 The church of God a kingdom is
Communion 485 Rock of ages, cleft for me
Final 499 Thy kingdom come, O God
Mass setting New English Folk Mass Warrell
Anthem Adam lay ybounden Warlock

Communion antiphon | Jerusalem surge

15 December The Third Sunday of Advent

Eucharist 10 am

Processional I2 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Gradual The Advent Prose

Offertory 496 O Christ the Lord, O Christ the King

Communion 376 I heard the voice of Jesus say
Final 7 Hills of the North, rejoice
Mass setting New English Folk Mass Warrell

Anthem The great forerunner of the morn Praetorius, arr. Willcocks

Communion antiphon Dicite: Pusillanimes

22 December The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Eucharist 10 am

Processional When our God came to earth (NHWS 287)
Gradual The Angel Gabriel from heaven came (NHWS 249)

Offertory 185 Sing we of the blessèd Mother Communion 318 My God, accept my heart this day

Final 186 Tell out, my soul

Mass setting
Anthem
Anthem
Communion antiphon

New English Folk Mass Warrell
A tender shoot Goldschmidt
Ecce virgo concipiet

Anthem texts for December

I People, look East

People, look East. The time is near of the crowning of the year. Make your house fair as you are able, trim the hearth and set the table. People, look East and sing today: Love, the guest, is on the way. Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is planted there: Give up your strength the seed to nourish, that in course the flower may flourish. People, look East and sing today: Love, the rose, is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim one more light the bowl shall brim, Shining beyond the frosty weather, bright as sun and moon together. People, look East and sing today: Love, the star, is on the way.

Angels, announce to man and beast Him who cometh from the East. Set every peak and valley humming with the word, the Lord is coming. People, look East and sing today: Love, the Lord, is on the way.

Words: Eleanor Farjeon 1881 – 1965 Music: Besançon carol, arr. Barry Rose b 1934

8 Adam lay ybounden

Adam lay y-bounden, bounden in a bond; four thousand winter thought he not too long. And all was for an apple, an apple that he took, as clerkes finden written in their book. Ne had the apple taken been, the apple taken been, ne had never our lady a-been heavené queen. Blessèd be the time that apple taken was, therefore we moun singen Deo gratias!

Deo gratias = Thanks be to God

Words: English, 15th century

Music: Peter Warlock 1894 – 1930

15 The great forerunner of the morn

The great forerunner of the morn, The herald of the Word, is born; And faithful hearts shall never fail With thanks and praise his light to hail. With heav'nly message Gabriel came, That John should be that herald's name, And with prophetic utt'rance told His actions great and manifold. Though not yet born, John gave aright His witness to the coming Light; And Christ, the Sun of all the earth, Fulfilled that witness at his birth. John's mighty deeds exalt his fame To greater than a prophet's name; Of woman born shall never be A greater prophet than was he.

Words: The Venerable Bede c 673 - 735, Music: melody adapted by Michael Praetorius 1571 – 1621, tr. | M Neale 1816 - 1866 arr. David Willcocks 1919 – 2015

22 A tender shoot

A tender shoot has started up from a root of grace, as ancient seers imparted from Jesse's holy race: It blooms without a blight, blooms in the cold bleak winter, turning our darkness into light. This shoot Isaiah taught us, from Jesse's root should spring; The Virgin Mary brought us the branch of which we sing; Our God of endless might gave her this child to save us, Thus turning darkness into light.

Words: Otto Goldschmidt, tr. William Bartholomew Music: Otto Goldschmidt 1829 – 1907