

Our prayers are asked:

- for our parish and our Cathedral Church
- for our care for the environment & the implementation of the commitments of COP26
- for Hempsted School
- for all refugees and asylum seekers and the work of GARAS
- for all who are sick with coronavirus & those who are ill in different ways
- for all who have died including Audrey Hawkes, John Pegler and Robbi Leo Beasley

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The Parish of Hempsted with St Mary de Lode  
and St Mary de Crypt, Gloucester  
in partnership with Gloucester Cathedral



Sunday next before Advent  
Christ the King  
21st November 2021

10.00am United Parish Holy Communion St Mary de Crypt  
Reading Revelation 1: 4b-8, John 18: 33-37  
Minister Nikki Arthy

This Sunday's service will take place in St Mary de Crypt Church. Please do come along and enjoy Sunday worship in this beautiful place at the heart of our city. Parking is available in the multi storey carpark, Ladybellegate carpark or at St Mary de Lode. If you require a lift from St Mary de Lode, please let us know.

*The service will be recorded and available on the Discover DeCrypt YouTube channel.*

Coffee is available in the Old Crypt Schoolroom afterwards.

There is no Praying at Home this week and no Zoom coffee.



### Services for Advent Sunday: Sunday 28 November

United Parish Holy Communion	St Swithun's	10.00am
Praying at Home	Zoom	11.30am
Messy Church	Lysons Hall	3.30pm

**Morning Prayer** via Zoom is on Wednesday and Friday at 9.00am.

**Compline** via Zoom is on Thursday at 9.00pm. Services last about 20 minutes and all are welcome.

**Prayers for the City** take place in Discover DeCrypt each Friday at 1pm. **Coffee, Cake and Conversation** takes place 11am-12.30pm every Friday in the Old Crypt Schoolroom. All are welcome. If you are in the city, why not pop in for a coffee and a chat?

**Colours of the Deep.** Exhibition of photography by Dimitrios Zampelis. Dimitrios Zampelis' project throws a spotlight on familiar flowers, revealing them in unexpected and unusual ways. The flowers in this collection are idealised, isolated from time and space, so that viewers can re-discover them with fresh eyes. At **Discover DeCrypt** until 28th November. *Free entry, all work is for sale.*

**On-line Christmas Promises** Following our great success last Christmas and in the summer, the A-Team are working together again to raise much needed funds for our churches. This will be an on-line Christmas event on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm**. Thank you for all your promises, the auction catalogue was included with last week's mailing. Advance bids can be sent to [geoffeales@aol.com](mailto:geoffeales@aol.com) or posted to 36 St Mary's Square, GL1 2QT.

**Hempsted Advent Trail** This Advent we are once again inviting residents of Hempsted to decorate their windows with scenes or characters from the Nativity. This will be a lovely way to share the Christmas story with all ages in the community. To get involved or to find out more, please contact Rachel Laughton, Hempsted Children and Families worker on 07999 481451, or email [rachel.childrenandfamilies@gmail.com](mailto:rachel.childrenandfamilies@gmail.com) by 19<sup>th</sup> November.

**Calling all those who can knit!** We would like to give small knitted stars as Christmas gifts to residents and staff of Redlands Acre for Christmas. If you are willing to knit, please contact Mary Gould for further information. Tel 419840 [mary\\_gould100@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:mary_gould100@yahoo.co.uk)

We will be **carol singing** to raise money for Christian Aid outside Discover DeCrypt on Saturday 4 December 11am-1.00pm. If you are able to come along and sing for a while, please let Mary Gould know.

The building work at **St Mary de Lode** is going well. Many thanks to Richard for all he is doing in liaising with the team.

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### Prayer for the Week

Clear our lives of anxiety, Lord, and take our focus off those things which make us anxious, that we may focus instead on your love and your kingdom, your promises and purposes. Set our hearts on you; and fill us with your love and light, that we may shine for all. Amen.