

The 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

King Charles the Martyr Church

**is open once again for visitors and
private prayer and contemplation
with the Church Watch present on:
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays:
11am - 1pm.**

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King Charles the Martyr
Tunbridge Wells

The First Sunday of Advent

28th November 2021

This week's Services

***You are very welcome to come along,
with no need to book in advance***

Sunday 28th November

8am - Holy Communion (BCP)

President: Revd Laurence Powell

Homily: Mr Simon Whiteside

Live streaming on Facebook

10.00am - Parish Communion (CW)

President: Revd Canon Sarah Partridge

Deacon: Revd Laurence Powell

Preacher: Mr Simon Whiteside

Live streaming on Facebook

6.30pm - Advent Carol Service

Presidents: Revd Canon Sarah Partridge (Lead)

Revd Laurence Powell

Live streaming on Facebook

Wednesday 1st December

11.30am - Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 5th December

The Second Sunday of Advent

8am - Holy Communion (BCP)

Live streaming on Facebook

10am - Family Service (Christingle)

Live streaming on Facebook

6.30pm - Holy Communion (CW)

Live streaming on Facebook



First Reading: Jeremiah 33. 14-16

14 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. ¹⁵In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ¹⁶In 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.'

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3. 9-end

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

11 Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. ¹²And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. ¹³And 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: Luke 21. 25-36

25 '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. ²⁶People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.'

29 Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; ³⁰as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. ³¹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³²Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. ³³Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

34 '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, ³⁵like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶Be 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.'