

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it...

The word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.
John 1:1-5 & 14

Wishing you all a
very happy, peaceful
and blessed
Christmas



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Most of our services can be attended in
person or on Zoom.

Zoom meeting ID: 508 367 3910

If you have missed a Sunday or
Wednesday service, the sermons (and
some services) can be accessed on the
website under 'Media Library'. Sermons
are deleted after 4 months, while
services are only available for 2 months.

Judith is on leave from
27th December – 2nd January.
Please see Paul in her absence.



The Parish Church
of Water Orton

Sunday 21st December

Welcome to Saint Peter & Saint Paul's

Our Vision:

To prepare a community to meet the Christ

Our Mission:

To worship God, grow believers and make believers

Our Values:

Word, Worship, Welcome and Wisdom



21st December – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Today's Readings:

Micah 5:2-5a

Matthew 1:18-25

This Week's Collect Prayer

Eternal God,
as Mary waited for the birth of your Son,
so we wait for his coming in glory;
bring us through the birth pangs
of this present age
to see, with her, our great salvation
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Welcoming Prayer

Father, lead us and guide us as we grow
together in your family. May our church
show your love to new friends and may
more hearts be full of your love.
Amen

Advent Wreath Prayer

People of God: prepare!
God, above all, maker of all, is one with
us in Christ. Maranatha!
Come Lord Jesus.

God, the mighty God, bends down in love
to earth. Maranatha!
Come Lord Jesus.

God with us, God beside us, comes soon
to the world he has made. Maranatha!
Come Lord Jesus.

We are God's children, we seek the
coming of Christ. Maranatha!
Come Lord Jesus.

Today

9.00 am Holy Communion

11.00 am Contemporary Worship
(with children's groups)

6.30 pm Candlelight Carol Service

Christmas Cards and Gift Tags

If you haven't already bought your
Christmas Cards and Gift Tags, you will
find some for sale on the card table at
the side of church.

Used Stamps

Please save used stamps from your
Christmas mail, leaving a small margin
of paper around them. There is a
collecting box for them near the hymn
books at the back of church. They
benefit the Royal National Institute
for the Blind.

Please pray...

For the residents of Addison Place

For all who will be visiting our
church this Christmas. May they
feel the warmth, love and light of Christ
through his faithful people.

For all who find this a difficult season...

Father God, we lift up all who are struggling in
any way: with illness; bereavement; loneliness;
difficult relationships; poor mental health;
poverty; domestic violence or war. May they
know your comfort and peace at this time.
Amen.



This week...

Tuesday

9.00-11.30 am Open café in the Robert Lloyd Room

9.30-11.30 am The church is open for the Food Bank

10.00 am Morning Prayer-Common Worship on Zoom & in church

Wednesday- Christmas Eve

10.00 am Holy Communion in church and on Zoom

3.00 & 5.00 pm Christingle Services

11.30 pm Midnight Communion

Thursday - Christmas Day

10.00 am Christmas Family Service with Communion

Saturday

10.00 am The church is open for the Food Bank & for private prayer

Next Sunday 28th December

9.00 am Holy Communion

11.00 am Contemporary Worship (with children's groups)

Future Events

Tuesday 6th January at 7.30 pm – The first of three presentations by Paul Murray

Israel: Past, Present and Future. The first one is Israel Past: **Born from One Man**

Friday 16th January at 11.00 am – Funeral of Vera Rathbone in church

Bible Reading Notes

For those of you who have been using Every Day with Jesus, there are no books for 2026. Other alternatives are available if you would like to speak to Judith about them. Every Day with Jesus now have a very good app which includes daily notes by Selwyn Hughes, and notes from contemporary writers.

