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# From the Chaplain

ne of the ironies of our modern life is that, despite the multitude of so-called time-saving technological devices, our lives seem to be more frantic than ever. A recent survey has revealed that most of us spend three or four hours a day on our mobiles or computers, making sure that we have not missed out on some vital and important message which we think has to be answered immediately. One feels sorry for our national leaders, trying to make important decisions about the lives of others without time to think about the right policy and steps to be taken for the best. How many bad decisions are made by indeed us and our leaders by not taking time out to think rationally and wisely? Is this possibly the reason why some policies taken in the past have led to chaos and confusion in the world today?

Time is a precious gift of God and, like all such divine gifts, must be used wisely and responsibly to enhance the Kingdom of God and the Common Good.

One religious writer, nay, prophet of our times, who addressed this issue was Abbé Michel Quoist, whose prayer-book "Prayers of Life" sold over a quarter of a million copies within two years of its publication in English almost fifty years ago. Its success (it is now considered a religious classic) was because its prayers, or rather meditations, were fresh and new, and more importantly relevant to the needs of ordinary people in everyday situations. Its themes certainly found a response not only among those already committed to faith but to the many who were looking for some new way of communicating with God in a fast changing world.

His prayers are today even more relevant than when first published, as the pace of life seems to get faster and faster, and we seem to have no time at all to live our lives sensibly and wisely. He tackles this theme in the prayer "Lord, I have time"; prefaced by the words common to us all: "All men and women complain that they haven't enough time".

Goodbye, sir, excuse me, I haven't time.

I'll come back, I can't wait, I haven't time.

I must end this letter – I haven't time.

I'd love to help you, but I haven't time.

I can't accept, having no time.
I can't think, I can't read. I'm
swamped, I haven't time.
I'd like to pray, but I haven't time.

The last words sum up one of the great needs of today, that of taking "time out", what can be called "sabbath time", to withdraw from the relentless routine of our commitments so as to understand better the real purpose of our lives. Of course, this is why most of us have recently taken a summer holiday, but very soon the timelessness of being away from home, work or school fades away and we are soon, as Quiost goes on in his prayer, "running after time, feeling hurried, jostled, overburdened, frantic, and seemingly getting nowhere, for it seems we are always short of time, in spite of our efforts". And so we look forward to the next distant long holiday, and in so doing fail to realize that all time is a gift and that God wants us to enjoy every moment of our lives, especially the present wherever we are and whatever we may be doing. He wants us "to offer all the hours of the day to Him, that of their insipid water, He may make a rich wine as he once made in Cana of Galilee". We should not be enslaved by time nor allow it, like any other idol, to have power over us and alienate us from God.

All this is nothing new. The Church has always maintained that human beings need to take a break, a "holy time" away from the worldly routine.

Hence the commandment from God "to remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day", to make time to be with Him, to be still and take stock of the real meaning of our lives. Whatever our degree of faith, we should endeavour to create an "oasis" of space and time so as to draw breath, to reflect, and so, if need be, redirect and recharge our lives. Such a form of contemplative prayer will calm us and rescue us from the aimless frenzy caused by our misuse of time. Our pattern for taking time out is Jesus Himself, who, we are told in the gospels, often withdrew from the crowds to pray and recharge his batteries, so to speak.

Quoist finishes the prayer quoted above with these words: "I am not asking you tonight, Lord, for time to do this and then that, but grace to do conscientiously, in the time that you give me, what you want me to do".

May we all come to understand that time is a perishable gift, to be used wisely for our own well-being and to the glory of God.

Your locum chaplain, Clifford

Revd Clifford Poole will be our locum until the end of the year.

#### We have a new Archdeacon

The Venerable Colin Williams, the Diocese in Europe's first Archdeacon without additional local church pastoral responsibilities, has started work. Bishop David granted him a general licence as a priest in the Diocese during the Nordic and Baltic Deanery Synod in Helsinki from 4 to 6 September.

Based in Frankfurt, Fr Colin is also due to be commissioned as Archdeacon of Germany and Northern Europe as well as Archdeacon of the East (taking over from Patrick Curran). He has expressed a wish to visit St Thomas Becket in the near future and has already assumed oversight of our process to appoint a new chaplain from the Archdeacon of Switzerland, the Venerable Peter Potter.

who was our Acting Archdeacon during the vacancy following Revd Jonathon Lloyd's departure in February 2014.

Colin Williams read law at Oxford University and practised as a solicitor in Wigan. He was ordained at Liverpool Cathedral in 1981 after training for the priesthood at St Stephen's House, Oxford. He served in parishes in Liverpool and Lancashire and was subsequently Archdeacon of Lancaster in the Diocese of Blackburn. General Secretary to the Conference of European Churches, based in Geneva, from 2005 to 2010, Fr Colin speaks fluent German. His most recent post was as team rector of Ludlow.

Jo Dawes



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# Please help our pledge scheme

In order to be permitted to appoint a full-time priest, the Bishop needs assurances that the Parish has the financial strength to commit to the cost of the stipend and living costs for the Chaplain over a three-year period at least.

Thanks to a significant increase in giving in 2014 following our appeal in 2013, the church finances are currently better than they have been for some time. However, the church is critically dependent on just a handful of donors. In order to be confident that we can support a full-time priest, we need the church to be more widely supported financially.

In the last edition of Becket News, the Church Wardens reported that we would be launching an appeal to the wider English-speaking community in Hamburg to make a pledge of financial support by regular dona-



tion over a three-year period. A letter has now gone out to many people known to the Church Council, while Electoral Roll Members have been asked to help find more donors by promoting the pledge scheme and encouraging people they know who might in some way value the existence of the Anglican community in Hamburg to consider making a regular donation, even if it is just a small amount. (If you would like a copy of the letter, please contact the Electoral Roll Officer – see back page.)

#### **Every little helps**

If you are not currently making regular donations, please do consider doing so. If you have moved away from Hamburg, this is of course understandable, but if you are living here, please appreciate just how important Christian stewardship is to sustaining St Thomas Becket. Every little helps, and regular donations are what makes it possible to have a full-time Chaplain. We get nothing from Kirchensteuer, and nothing from the Church of England!

The Archbishops' Council has suggested a standard giving of 5% of income by every member of the congregation to support the work of the

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Church. Many of St Thomas Becket's African community set a good example by tithing (paying 10%) to the church. Some €125,000 has to be raised to keep the church going each year. We can but appeal to everyone to pay their share. Please donate more if you can to ensure we can meet the cost of the stipend.

With gratitude for any help you can give,

Your Church Council

# **Succession update**

↑ s you will recall, the recruitment Aprocess was formally launched on 16 July 2015 when the Acting Archdeacon, the Ven. Peter Potter, chaired a meeting of the Church Council. He gave us useful advice and guidance, which allowed the members to start to produce the Vacancy Pack. The CC met on both 24 and 31 August to discuss the pack in detail, which involved line-by-line checks of the various draft documents. John Newsome, our locum in August, joined us on 24 August and was of considerable help. Particular thanks go to Heiner Quast and Monica Schofield, who completed the Financial Questionnaire, as well as Karen Bergquist-Lüth and Gert van der Jagt, who produced the Parish Profile, both key documents in the recruitment process.

The draft Vacancy Pack was submitted to both Peter Potter and the Diocese on 10 September. Peter Potter had, in the meantime, handed over to the new Archdeacon, the Ven. Colin Williams. Colin Williams suggested that we should make some minor amendments to some of the documents. Once the changes had been made, the finalized Vacancy Pack was submitted to the Diocese on 27 September. Given that the Diocese had sight of our draft paperwork, the expectation is that we will not be required to make any subsequent amendments.

The next steps of the recruitment process are in the hands of the Diocese. The Bishop should produce his statement by Friday 2 October. Advertisements are to be placed in the Church Times in mid-October. Short listing of candidates is due by Friday 13 November, with interviews taking place over the period 8–9 December. Our representatives at interview will be Susanne Hergoss and Daniel Loarte. If all goes well at interview, we expect to host our new Chaplain for an initial visit during December, with a provisional start date of 1 April 2016. We have locum cover until the end of the year (Clifford Poole) and the Churchwardens are currently looking to arrange locum cover from January.

David Hercus, Churchwarden

# **Opening our hearts and pockets**

Revd John Newsome writes ...

Par Friends at St Thomas Becket, I so enjoyed being back in Hamburg and taking services on four Sundays in August. When you return to a place after a long time you might on the emotional level expect it to be much the same as when you left, even though your head tells you that it cannot be so. So my stay in Hamburg was a time for reflection and recollection, a time for renewing old acquaintances and making new.

Although outwardly some things have changed in the city with a lot of new construction, my feeling of it was pretty much as it had been when

I lived there, a city of tremendous contrasts - on the one hand very elegant, with large buildings, fine gleaming white façades, open spaces and much water, yet on the other hand areas that seem fairly uncared for, strewn with rubbish and graffiti, and a large number of homeless and needy people. I suppose it's natural that these two aspects should go hand in hand, as much wealth will inevitably attract those desperate for its trickle-down effects.

I explored many parts of the city and also renewed my acquaintance with Lübeck, where I managed to visit the Buddenbrooks Haus. I don't think I had been there before. And I had certainly forgotten how splendid the Marienkirche is, one of the finest examples of north German brick gothic architecture with part of its medieval internal decoration restored.

Below: Reconstructed railway wagon at the Neuengamme memorial (Hao Liu via Wikimedia Commons) Right: Alte Nikolaikirche (Alter Vista via Wikimedia Commons)



I was also much moved by a visit to the Gedenkstätte Neuengamme, the former concentration camp. There wasn't much to see there in the 1990s as a lot of the area still accommodated a prison. The prison

has now been relocated. many of the buildings restored and now home to exhibitions on aspects of camp life under the Nazis. It was also used as a British internment camp for Nazi criminals after the war. One can wander meditatively around the whole site visiting the various items on display and the memorials to groups of prisoners and individuals. In all there were about 106,000 internees of whom almost half died or were murdered.

In a similar vein I was also able to visit the exhibition at the Alte Nikolaikirche on the bombing of Hamburg in 1943 in which about 43,000 civilians died and another 37,000 were wounded. That exhibition did not exist in the 1990s.

You might think it rather strange for me to mention these things. But I am most concerned that as the generation which personally experienced the horrors of the major wars of the 20th century dies out, we are increasingly at risk of committing the same mistakes. It seems that the countries of Europe which grew more closely together in the postwar decades are now moving apart.

We experience the growth of xenophobic nationalism as countries look to their own security and feel the outside world to be a threat. We forget that the motive force behind the European Union was not primarily a concern for free markets and movement of peoples, but for preventing wars. Economic uncertainty and mass migration are indeed challenges, but the Christian gospel tells us that we meet them by opening our hearts and pockets, not by closing them down. The

love of God is expansive.

So yes, my stay among you has been profoundly illuminating. It has triggered off a host of impressions which I have been invited to share with you and for which I am thankful. May God bless you all, especially as you continue in the search for a new chaplain. And I hope to see many of you again in the not too distant future.

John

# The longest grave in the British Isles

In 2013 the Church was contacted by a Canon Robins in Cornwall, England, to ask if we could help in contacting any remaining families of the German crew of the "Hera", which sank off the coast of Cornwall on 1 February 1914, during a particularly bad storm. The church where the crew are buried intended to hold a 100 year memorial to honour the 19 men who lost their lives.

We printed the story in our Becket News (edition 57) and tried to contact the shipping company, Rhederei-Aktien-Gesellschaft von 1896 of Hamburg, which owned the Hera, through local archives but without success.



While on holiday in Cornwall this summer we took the opportunity to visit the villages of St Just and Veryan on the beautiful Roseland peninsula to try and find a memorial. We first visited the parish church in St Just which is built on the banks of the River Fal. The setting is stunning. Many of the men who went out in the lifeboat on that fateful night were from this village. The sea and agriculture were the main occupations for this region. The church is visited by many tourists, so we took the opportunity of asking a local volunteer if he knew about the "Hera". He immediately told us to visit Veryan, a small village just inland.

We found the church of St Symphorian and its very old and extensive graveyard. Although the pretty grey stone church was closed to visitors, we were lucky to meet a member of the congregation who, on being asked about the "Hera", immediately took us to the longest grave within the British Isles!

In a quiet corner of the cemetery was a 30 metre long gravestone marked at intervals with initials and dates and, at the end, a headstone listing all the names and jobs of all 19 crew, starting with the Captain and First Officer, down to the "Donkeyman" and the "boy".



We spent some time in these peaceful surroundings, reflecting on the perils of being at sea in those days, as there still are today. On doing some further internet research, we understand that over 600 people from these tiny communities attended the original funeral service in 1914, reflecting the respect felt for fellow sailors who perished doing their jobs and far away from home. The headstone details were completed by a poem dedicated to the men and their families back in Germany and this, only months before the two countries would be at war with one another.

Our visit to Veryan was completed by a chat with local villagers about our quest and a visit to the local pub for "coffee" and to the local shop. We left feeling that we had, in a small way, paid our respects by visiting and remembering men from Hamburg, who will forever be a part of the Cornish landscape.



Text and Photos: John and Irene Finn, August 2015

# Fleamarket tops the thousand mark

For many, the 4th of July is the great celebration of American Independence Day. However, for us at St Thomas Becket, it was our Flohmarkt Day and, from the first request to support this event, it was a satisfying "Yes!"

Of course we had learned a lot from our efforts and success the previous year and also from some members who've actually been running their own flea markets throughout the year. A wonderful amount of goods for sale were generously donated and, as before, it's amazing what really lovely clothes, jewelry and household goods people are happy to give. The one thing we all hoped for was a fine day, as last year was cold, wet and windy, not that that changed our great day and the amount we generated.

The few weeks running up to the Saturday, there was much to do, in



particular the day before we had many volunteers to set up the tables, lay out the goods, sort out and bring books down from the gallery, generally get everything set up and have STB looking good and ready. Many people who wouldn't be there on the day had helped too.

As a contrast, this year was so hot and sunny that many people either stayed at home, went on holiday or fled to the sea! However, once the public came into the cool of the church, they were happy to stay and spend money. The set up looked good and we assembled at 8 am on the Saturday morning to get ready for opening at 10 am and had our first sale soon after. This year we had homemade lemonade. Würstchen & Kartoffelsalat and a wine stand. While not a busy day, we had a fairly continuous flow of customers, and our day of selling ended by 4 pm.

At the end, we were so fortunate to have the help and service of a friend of a member of the congregation. We had arranged that he would take the majority of what wasn't sold to distribute to the needy and some charity shops. What a real gift he was! We also donated good items for our Church Bazaar on 21 November.

At the last count we achieved almost €1,100 out of which a mini-



Above: Last-minute preparations; left: Anyone for wine? (Photos: Joyceline Anacoura-Schmidt)

mal amount was paid to the friend doing the clearing, who had provided his van, petrol, boxes and own physical help. Over the ensuing weekend, there were still amounts of cash coming in, so it was a really good achievement.

A huge "thank you" for the great effort and all who took part, contributed and gave of their time - hopefully you all enjoyed the day. There have already been enquiries for next year, so watch this space - perhaps we'll all be crazy enough to do it again!

Come carol with us

nehearsals start soon for Nine Lessons and Carols. Even if you are not singing regularly with the choir on Sunday mornings, you are welcome to join this project. Also friends of yours might want to join, since English Christmas carols have become so popular nowadays. Invite them!

The dates are:

Thursday 8 October 2015 – 7pm Thursday 15 October 2015 – 7pm Thursday 5 November 2015 – 7pm Thursday 12 November 2015 – 7pm Thursday 19 November 2015 – 7pm Thursday 26 November 2015 – 7pm Thursday 3 December 2015 – 7pm Thursday 10 December 2015 – 7pm Saturday 12 December 2015 -

5pm warming up, 6pm Nine Lessons and Carols

Yotin Tiewtrakul

# LCF to help refugees

Ladies' Christian Fellowship recently organised a Bring and Buy sale which raised €160. The proceeds will be spent on a project working with refugees, details of which will be discussed at a forthcoming meeting.

In October, LCF is due to meet at Renu's home.

Lottie Lankenau

Renu Roy

# Junior Church – a growing ministry

It is wonderful to see our Junior Church is growing — on 13 September we had 13 children ranging in age from six to 13 attend! As you may have heard in church, we decided we'll only offer junior church to all school age children and would like to remind parents that there are special bags (called Angel Bags) available for those children younger than six to help occupy them during the Sunday service. If you haven't seen them, yet please ask one of the sidesmen or a member of the junior church team who will point them out to you.

We decided to discontinue our pre-school group for 0–6 year range, which was a family concept, as we found less resonance in families than we had anticipated. Parents were understandably reluctant to miss the church service.

Junior church is regrouping, with some new members joining the team, and Karen Bergquist-Lüth would like to finish furnishing the room set aside for junior church in the next few weeks: hang some pictures, perhaps buy some bookshelves, tables and chairs and a bin. In the coming months we'll talk about the harvest festival, perhaps the importance of remembrance, and the children will dress up in nativity costumes to read the Christmas story – plenty of op-

portunities to talk with the children about Jesus and what He means to us and our lives.

There are currently two of us taking it in turns to teach, with about four helpers. We are always keen to hear from members of the congregation who would be interested in joining our team. If you would like to find out more, please speak to Sally Wandrey or Karen after the service or see the back page for contact details.

Junior Church Team

#### **Marion McLeod**

Revd John Cowie writes ...

Come of your long standing mem-Obers may wish to know that Marion McLeod died recently. She was a member of the St Thomas Becket congregation in the late 60s and early 70s when Ian worked as an accountant for Price Waterhouse in Hamburg. She was wife of Ian McLeod and mother of Euan and Niall, both of whom were born during their time in Hamburg before they moved, to finally end up in Paris at the end of the 1970s. She and Ian had retired to Malta but I took her funeral at the end of last week in Irvine, Scotland. I had known them both for 20 years but had only discovered the Hamburg connection we had in common very recently.

# Summer wanderings by the Elbe

The July walk is often a relaxed short outing with the focus on a summer picnic, so on 11 July the Wanderers joined up at Klein Flottbek station and walked down to the Jenisch Park which we entered from Baron-Voght-Strasse. (Anyone interested in Hamburg's history should get to know about this extraordinary benefactor whose business acumen was only exceeded by his contribution to the welfare of society in general – a Hanseatic figure in the best tradition.)

We took time to admire the view south to the Elbe from the claselegant sicist Jenisch House. The park with its meadows and huge old trees has an effect which is at the same time impressive and soothing.

structed Knüppelbrücke which must be a good vantage point in winter. Pausing along the way to admire some of the magnificent big trees, some of us even gave way to the temptation to hug them!

At the south end of the nature reserve area we arrived at the Eierhütte, so called after the egg-shaped openings round the walls. Here we enjoyed a leisurely picnic, astounded as always at the generous amounts of food that suddenly appeared out of



The Eierhütte (photo: Bettina von Renthe-Fink via Wikimedia Commons)

Leaving the Barlach House behind us, we struck off into the central wooded nature reserve and had an enthusiastic photo session on the rustic-looking, recently recon-

the depths of our rucksacks and at the boxes, tins and jars which were passed round to be shared.

From the Eierhütte it is not far to the Elbe at Teufelsbrück and here we turned back uphill towards the Jenisch House, walking parallel to the Flottbek stream. Two of us voted to return to the river and walk towards the city centre along the river. The rest split up at Flottbek station where some continued to the Botanical Gardens and others set off for home; altogether a harmonious and most enjoyable walk in really magical surroundings.

On Saturday, 8 August we met at Blankenese S-Bahn and set off on the 10 km walk to Wedel along the Blankenese Bahnhofstrasse and down the charming Strandtreppe to the Elbe. (How do people living alongside these steps get their shopping home?) At the riverside the walkers in front lost sight of those a little behind, always a reminder to us not to get so deeply involved in conversation that we lose sight of each other. Fortunately we were immediately reunited.

The route lies along the river, past the Blankeneser Schiffsanleger and the Mühlenberger Loch. We struck off up the steps to the Römischer Garten with its amphitheatre, formal topiary and colourful flower beds and took a welcome tea break. Then it was back to the river where, just past the old Falkenstein Waterworks, we struck off again up a fairly steep slope to the Elbhöhenweg which offers a panoramic view of the Elbe through the trees. The path winds on very pleasantly until Wittenbergen. After a lunch break here we continued downhill and passed the picturesque Wittenbergener Lighthouse and nature reserve. Then it was up more steps before, coming down to the water again, we were baffled to find ourselves in a pretty deserted parking lot with our path to the Willkomm-Höft blocked off.

Here most of us capitulated and walked a further 10 minutes to the next bus stop where we thankfully took the bus back to Blankenese. However, two intrepid Wanderers continued on foot to the Wedeler S-Bahn, to the general acclaim of the rest. With the exception of the "hiccup" at the end, it was a lovely walk worth doing again.

Nicki Schiller



Jo Dawes

# **Recycled Christmas and greetings cards**

nce again, come the autumn issue of Becket News, it's "the same procedure as every year" – information for newer members of the congregation about the recycled Christmas and greetings cards which we have been selling in aid of church funds since 1986, and an appeal to everyone for help with buying, selling and also perhaps making the cards.

The cards will be on sale from the end of October/beginning of November and the cost this year will be €12 for ten cards, including envelopes, and €1.30 for single cards. When we first started the project in 1986, we made and sold 300. Now nearly 30 years later we make and sell between 5,000 and 6,000 each year, and because of a very generous donation towards the card project by the former Honorary British Consul Claus Budelmann, made a net profit last year of €7,071.55 for the church.

The Christmas Cards have a Christmas and New Year message in both English and German and state that they are "Sold on behalf of The Historic English Church of St Thomas Becket, Hamburg". They are within the 20g limit for normal postage and the envelopes are the standard size. There is a great variety of different designs to choose from – both religious and non-religious: nativity scenes,

shepherds, wise men, angels, robins, holly, snow scenes, penguins, Victorian scenes, Father Christmases, etc.

On average we sell about 1,000 cards at the bazaar and others of course after church during November and December. However most are sold within the different Englishspeaking and international clubs and societies, and also among friends privately and to work colleagues. In this way we are able to reach out to a far wider community. If you think you could help by doing this, please contact one of us. Every single card sold outside the church congregation is one more than we would otherwise have sold – i.e. it is good whether you sell five cards or 50 to your friends, family or work colleagues. Quite literally every card sold helps the total profit, and is also an excellent way to publicise the church.

We are dependent on used cards, so please don't throw them away but bring them to church for us. We also need flower and used birthday cards for making "all the year round" cards.

Finally, we are quite a small team making the cards and so would be grateful for any extra help offered.

Judith Holst (Tel. 880 07 27), Irene Finn (Tel. 866 266 73), Linda Rainer (Tel. 738 56 24)

## Calendar of events 2015-2016

#### **October**

- 2 MU (18:00)
- 8 19:00 Choir rehearsal for NL+C
- 10 Wanderers
- 12 Church Council meeting
- 15 19:00 Choir rehearsal for NL+C
- 20 18:00 Consort Rehearsal
- 21 19:00 Consort Rehearsal
- 26 19:00 Consort Rehearsal
- 28 19:00 Consort Rehearsal
- 30 19:00 Consort Rehearsal

#### **November**

- 2 Benefit Concert with Thomas Hengelbrock and Choir 19:00
- 5 19:00 Choir rehearsal for NL+C
- 6 MU (18:00)
- 7 Pete Grassby concert 19:00
- 12 19:00 Choir rehearsal for NL+C
- 14 Wanderers
- 16 Church Council meeting
- 19 19:00 Choir rehearsal for NL+C
- 20 Meditation Group led by Yotin (18:30-20:00)
- 21 Bazaar

- 26 19:00 Choir rehearsal for NL+C
- 27 Sacred Harp Thanksgiving Singing 20:00 hrs
- 28 Elvis Singing Christmas Songs 20:00 - To be confirmed
- 28- Victorian Christmas Market
- 29 at Hotel Baseler Hof

#### **December**

- 3 19:00 Choir rehearsal for NL+C
- 4 Sing-along Christmas Carols with Mother's Union (18:00)
- 10 19:00 Choir rehearsal for NL+C
- 12 Wanderers
  Nine Lessons and Carols
  18:00 followed by refreshments
- 16 Rotary Club of Hamburg Christmas Service (18:00)
- 24 Christmas Eve 16:00 Midnight Mass 23:30
- 25 Christmas Day Holy Communion 10:30

#### January 2016

31 Concert Weltmusik-Chor 17:00 (Nathaniel Damon)

To add dates and events please contact Yotin Tiewtrakul: yotin(at)emx.de

# **Services at St Thomas Becket** from October to December 2015

#### **October**

Sunday, 4 October

Harvest Festival
10.30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 11 October

19th after Trinity
10.30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 18 October

St Luke the Physician 10.30 Holy Communion and Healing Service

Sunday, 25 October

Last Sunday after Trinity 10.30 Holy Communion

#### **November**

Sunday, 1 November

All Saints 10.30 Holy Communion 17.00 Choral Evensong

Sunday, 8 November

Remembrance Sunday 10.30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 15 November

2nd before Advent 10.30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 22 November

Christ the King 10.30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 29 November

Advent 1
10.30 Holy Communion

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#### **December**

Sunday, 6 December

Advent 2 10.30 Holy Communion

Saturday, 12 December

18.00 Nine Lessons and Carols

Sunday, 13 December

Advent 3

10.30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 20 December

Advent 4

10.30 Holy Communion

Thursday, 24 December

16.00 Christmas Eve 23.30 Midnight Mass

Friday, 25 December

Christmas Day 10.30 Holy Communion

Sunday, 27 December

Christmas 1 10.30 Holy Communion

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