



## Services & Music at the Priory Church of St Bartholomew the Great

*A Parish of the Church of England Diocese of London  
in the World-wide Anglican Communion*

# December 2008

**W**e extend a particularly warm welcome to new and regular visitors to this ancient church founded as a Priory of Augustinian Canons in 1123. The shrine-tomb of our blessed Founder, Prior Rahere, stands on the north side of the sanctuary. The Chapel of the Holy Icon of the Mother of God is set aside for private prayer. You may light a candle at the Shrine, in the Holy Icon Chapel or in the Lady Chapel. Requests for prayer may be left on the board next to the bookstall. It is possible to visit the church, other than during Divine Worship, on payment of an admission charge.

1. **Anniversary of the death of King Henry I, our royal founder**
2. 12.30 p.m. Holy Communion
- 3.
4. **S. Barbara, Virgin & Martyr**  
8.30 a.m. Holy Communion
- 5.
6. **S. Nicholas of Myra, Bishop, c. 342**  
2.30 p.m. Wedding of Michael Luxmore & Patricia Wilson  
4.00 p.m. Wedding of Dominic Barretto & Benita Pollard
7. **The Second Sunday of Advent**  
**9.00 a.m. Holy Communion**  
Preacher: The Rector  
**10.00 a.m. Family Eucharist**  
**11.00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist & Holy Baptism of Caspar Evans**  
Missa Surge et illuminare *Manchicourt*  
Surge et illuminare *Byrd*  
Preacher: *The Rector*  
**6.30 p.m. Alma Redemptoris Mater: Readings & Music for Advent in Honour of the Blessed Mother of the Redeemer**  
Adam lay ybounden *arr. Ord*  
Adam and his helpmate *Provençal Carol*  
There is no rose *Joubert*  
Cherry Tree Carol *arr. Wilcocks*  
The angel Gabriel *Basque Carol, arr. E. Pettman*

- Litanie Lauretanae *Victoria*  
Magnificat (Short Service) *Gibbons*  
Alma Redemptoris Mater *Cavalli*
8. **The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
8.30 a.m. Holy Communion
9. 12.30 p.m. Holy Communion
- 10.
11. 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion
- 12.
13. 10.45 a.m. Baptism Preparation Class (for parents presenting children for baptism)  
1.00 p.m. Marriage Blessing of James & Chantelle Absalom  
4.00 p.m. Wedding of Mark Kent & Louise Occomore
14. **The Third Sunday of Advent**  
**9.00 a.m. Holy Communion**  
Preacher: The Rector  
**11.00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist**  
Missa Prudentes virgines *Lobo*  
Salvator mundi *Tallis*  
Preacher: The Rector  
**12.30 p.m. Holy Baptism of Marta Sibley**  
**6.30 p.m. Choral Evensong, Sermon, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament**  
Short Service *Gibbons*  
This is the record of John *Gibbons*  
O salutaris & Tantum ergo *Laloux*  
Preacher: Father Mark Young
- 15.
16. 12.30 p.m. Holy Communion
17. 5.45 p.m. Barts & The Royal London Hospitals' Carol Service
18. 8.30 a.m. Holy Communion  
**6.00 p.m. A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols**
- 19.
20. 3.00 p.m. Wedding of Alexander Martineau & Alice Allgrove
21. **The Fourth Sunday of Advent**  
**9.00 a.m. Holy Communion**  
Preacher: The Rector  
**11.00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist**  
Missa Ave Maria *Palestrina*  
Ave Maria *attributed to Victoria*  
Preacher: The Rector  
**6.30 p.m. A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols**
- 22.
23. 12.30 p.m. Holy Communion  
**6.00 p.m. "And the light shineth in darkness"**  
**A Service of Lessons and Carols for Christmas**
24. **Christmas Eve**  
12.30 p.m. Vigil Mass (*after which the church is closed until 11.00 p.m.*)  
**11.45 p.m. Blessing of the Crib, Procession and Midnight Mass of the Nativity of the Lord**  
(*with full choir and trumpets*)  
Hodie Christus natus est *Sweetlinck*  
Missa Vinum bonum *Lassus*

- Preacher: The Rector
25. **Christmas Day**  
**9.00 a.m. Holy Communion**  
 Preacher: The Rector  
**11.00 a.m. The Solemn Eucharist  
 with Procession to the Crib**  
 Missa brevis in C 'Spatzenmesse' K. 220 *Mozart*  
 Ding, dong, merrily on high *arr. Wood*  
 Preacher: The Rector  
*This service is particularly suitable for children.*
26. **Church closed**
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28. **The Holy Innocents: Sunday after Christmas**  
**9.00 a.m. Holy Communion**  
 Preacher: Father Mark Young  
**11.00 a.m. Solemn Eucharist**  
 Missa Iager *Lassus*  
*Coventry Carol* 16<sup>th</sup> Century  
*Preacher: The Rector*  
**6.30 p.m. Choral Evensong and Sermon**  
*Harris in A*  
*The blessed Son of God Vaughan Williams*  
 Preacher: The Rector
- 29.
30. 12.30 p.m. Holy Communion
- 31.

**Rector: The Reverend Dr Martin Dudley**  
**Director of Music: David Trendell**  
**Organist: James Sherlock**

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Said **Holy Communion** is celebrated in the Lady Chapel on Sundays at 9.00 a.m. There are also weekday celebrations on Tuesday at 12.30 p.m. and Thursday at 8.30 a.m.

The Sunday **Solemn Eucharist**, beginning at 11.00 a.m., is sung by the full Choir under the direction of David Trendell. In addition to hymns, the introit, alleluia and communion sentence are sung (in Latin), There is a setting of the Kyrie, Gloria, Sanctus, Benedictus and Agnus Dei and an offertory motet. There is usually a sermon.

**Choral Evensong** at 6.30 p.m. completes the range of Sunday services. It comes from the Book of Common Prayer (1662) with readings from the Authorised Version (1611). The Choir sings the psalm or psalms, the Magnificat and Nunc dimittis, an anthem, and the final Marian anthem. There is usually a sermon. Once a month there is Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at the conclusion of Evensong.