

NOTICES

Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed until Monday 5 January.

Save the Date!

Choral Concert - Saturday 10 January, 19.30

On Saturday 10 January, Lydian Voices will perform a choral concert in church. Entrance will be free of charge, with all donations going towards the work of the church. The concert is entitled *O Nata Lux – Reflections for the End of the Christmas Season* and will include works by Tallis, Kodály and Stanford, as well as a selection of favourite hymns and carols. Light refreshments will be available at the interval.

The concert promises to be the perfect way to end the Christmas season, and we look forward to seeing lots of you there!



THE FIRST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

Services for this Week

Monday to Friday: Morning Prayer will be said at 09.00

NEXT SUNDAY 4 January The Feast of the Epiphany

10.15

Parish Eucharist

The Vicar

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Welcome to All Saints today

If you are new or just visiting, please note that wherever indications for posture are given in this booklet, they are for guidance only.

Should it suit you better to adopt an alternative posture please feel free to do so.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Victims of Violence

Those who will be spending their first Christmas alone

Those in Prison and their Families

THE SICK: David Yeandle, Jean Read, Mick Bacon, William Carlson, Cheryl Cook, Ethel Cooper, Leonard Evans, Michael Dunlop, Sophie Phillips, Cyril Whitfield, Chris Stephens, Janice Fernandez, Bryan Cooksey, Simon Allard, Audrey, Philip, Jane, Goretti, Muriel, Christopher, Fr Jeff Vaughan; all who care for those in need.

THE DEPARTED: Alan Scott, Louis Lewis.

YEAR'S MIND: Andrews Bates(28th), Dennis Ellacott(31st), Joyce Crisp(1st).

While shepherds kept their watching o'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens there shone a holy light.

The shepherds feared and trembled when lo! above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus that hailed our Saviour's birth.

Down in a lowly manger the humble Christ was born;
And God sent out salvation that blessed Christmas morn.

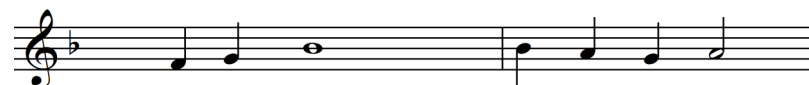
Words: African-American, compiled by John Wesley Work, Jr. (c.1872—1925)

Tune: African-American Spiritual

Tune *Mendelssohn*: Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809 - 1847),

adapted by William Hayman Cummings (1831 - 1915)

¶ *Remain standing for The Dismissal*



Organ Voluntary

Chorale Prelude *Vom Himmel hoch da komm ich her*

Johann Pachelbel (1653—1706)

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Prove it is true, Mary's child.
Go to your cross of wood.

Hope of the world, Mary's child,
You're coming soon to reign:
King of the earth, Mary's child,
Walk in our streets again.

¶ *Please stand for* **The Post Communion Prayer**

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words
Let us pray

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth the life of an earthly home: help your Church to live as one family, united in love and obedience, and bring us all at last to our home in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

¶ *The Dismissal*

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Blessing**

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Christ the Son of God, born of Mary,
fill you with his grace to trust his promises and obey his will;
And the blessing of God almighty,
† the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Recessional Carol**

***Go, tell it on the mountain, Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ is born.***

¶ *The Gathering*

¶ *Please stand when the bell is rung to sing* **The Processional Carol**

Hark! the herald angels sing
Glory to the new-born King;
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled:
Joyful, all ye nations, rise,
Join the triumph of the skies,
With the angelic host proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem:

***Hark! the herald-angels sing
Glory to the new-born King.***

Christ by highest heaven adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord,
Late in time behold him come
Offspring of a Virgin's womb!
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail the incarnate Deity!
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel:

Hail, the heaven-born Prince of peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all he brings,
Risen with healing in his wings;
Mild he lays his glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth:

Words: Charles Wesley (1707 - 1788), adapted by George Whitefield (1753), Martin Madan (1760) and the editors of *Hymns Ancient and Modern* (1861)

Tune *Mendelssohn*: Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809 - 1847) adapted by William Hayman Cummings (1831 - 1915)

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Invocation and Greeting**

† In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit
Amen.
The Lord be with you
and also with you.

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Penitential Rite**

Hear the words of the angel to Joseph: 'You will call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.' Therefore let us seek the forgiveness of God through Jesus the Saviour of the world.

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and prince of peace. Lord, have mercy.



Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary. Christ, have mercy.



Lord Jesus, You are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father.
Lord, have mercy.



May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw you to himself,
† and cleanse you from all your sins that you may behold the glory of his Son, the
Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord

Amen.

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Gloria**

Tune *God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen*: from Bramley and Stainer's
Christmas Carols New and Old (1871)

All Glory be to God on high,
his peace on earth proclaim;
to all his people tell abroad
the wonders he has done,
the grace and glory of the Lord,
we bless his holy name:

***we sing glory to God on high, God on high,
we sing glory to God on high.***

Choir: Jesus, King of angels, Lord of joy;
Jesus, born to save the world from sin:

All: Hear our prayer, have mercy...

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Invitation to Communion**

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

The Distribution of the Sacrament

After the bell is rung please come forward in turn as directed by the steward. Anyone who has been baptised in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and wishes to receive the love of the Lord Jesus in their life, is welcome to come forward to receive communion at this service.

Alternatively you may wish to come for a blessing: please keep your hands down and your head bowed as an indication that this is your preference.

¶ *Please join in singing* **The Communion Carol**

Born in the night, Mary's child,
A long way from your home:
Coming in need, Mary's child,
In a borrowed room.

Clear shining light, Mary's child,
Your face lights up our way:
Light of the world, Mary's child,
Dawn on our darkened day.

Truth of our life, Mary's child,
You tell us God is good:

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Lord's Prayer**

Jesus taught us to call God our Father,
and so we have the courage to say:

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.**

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Breaking of the Bread**

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

¶ *Please sit or kneel for the* **Lamb of God**

While the Altar Party receives the Sacrament, the choir leads the singing of the 'Agnus Dei' (Lamb of God). Please join in singing the response at the end of each verse:

Choir: Jesus, Lamb of God, the Word made flesh;
Jesus, Son of God come down on earth:



Hear our prayer, have mer-cy, hear our prayer, have mer-cy, give us your peace.

Choir: Jesus, King of glory, Prince of peace;
Jesus, shining in our darkened world:
All: Hear our prayer, have mercy...

In songs of thankfulness and praise
our hearts their homage bring,
to worship him who reigns above,
the Father, Lord of love.
this is our God and heavenly King
whose name we praise today:

O Christ the Father's only Son,
O Lamb enthroned on high,
O Jesus who for sinners died
and reigns at God's right side,
in your great mercy hear our cry
as we call out to you:

Most high and holy is the Lord,
most high his heavenly throne.
Where God the Father, God the Son,
and God the Spirit reigns.
Forever one in glory now,
you rule o'er heav'n and earth.

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Collect**

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words
Let us pray.

Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image
and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ:
grant that, as he came to share in our humanity,
so we may share the life of his divinity;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

¶ *Please sit for The First Reading* (Isaiah 63: 7—9)

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

¶ *Remain seated for the Responsorial Psalm* (Ps. 148)
and join in with the singing of this response:

Martin Everett



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Praise the Lord from the heavens,
praise him in the heights.
Praise him, all his angels,
praise him, all his host. *(Response)*

Praise him, sun and moon,
praise him, shining stars.
Praise him, highest heavens
and the waters above the heavens. *(Response)*

Let them praise the name of the Lord.
He commanded: they were made.
He fixed them for ever,
gave a law which shall not pass away. *(Response)*

¶ *Remain seated for The Second Reading* (Hebrews 2: 10—18)

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Accept our praises, heavenly Father through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ,
and as we follow his example and obey his command,
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit
these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself
made once for all upon the cross;
we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
we look for the coming of your kingdom,
and with this bread and this cup
we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died, Christ is ri-sen, Christ will come a - gain.

Accept through him, our great high priest, this our sacrifice of thanks and praise,
and as we eat and drink these holy gifts in the presence of your divine majesty,
renew us by your Spirit, inspire us with your love
and unite us in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
with all who stand before you in earth and heaven,
we worship you, Father almighty, in songs of everlasting praise:



Bles - sing and ho - nour and glo - ry and power be yours for e - ver and



e - ver. A - men, A - men, A - - - men.

When the Lord was born on earth, he was not a wealthy man.
He was born in poverty and the donkeys came to see,
And the wise men brought rare gifts for him,
And the shepherds knelt and worshipped him,
And the angels sang their joyful song,
And the donkeys gave their stall for him,
And the brightest star of all was his.
Jesus is the son of God and he came to earth for me.

Words: Kim Millar, adapted by JMA
Tune: traditional American

¶ *Remain standing throughout* **The Eucharistic Prayer (A)**

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere,
mighty creator, ever-living God.

We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who for love of our fallen race humbled himself, was born of the Virgin Mary
by the power of your Spirit, and lived as one of us.
In this mystery of the Word made flesh you have caused his light to shine in our
hearts, to give knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.
In him we see our God made visible
and so are caught up in the love of the God we cannot see.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of
your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

Tune: Ding dong! Merrily on high: Thoinet Arbeau (1520—1595)

**Holy, holy, Lord, the God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full, are full of your glory.**

Gloria, Hosanna in the highest.

**Blest is he who comes, who comes in the name
of the Lord of heav'n, the God of life and love.**

¶ *Please stand for* **The Gospel Acclamation**
and turn towards the Gospel reader



Cantor: The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
and we have seen his glory.

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. (*as above*)

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Gospel Reading** (Matthew 2: 13—23)

The Lord be with you
and also with you.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

At the conclusion of the Gospel the reader says or sings
This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

¶ *Please sit for* **The Sermon**

The Revd Mark Amey, Vicar

¶ *Please stand for* **The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

It is customary to bow for the next two lines

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

¶ *Please sit or kneel for* **The Intercessory Prayers**

To the bidding ‘Lord , in your mercy,’
please respond by saying ‘**hear our prayer**’.

And at the end of the prayers

Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.**

¶ **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

¶ *Please stand for* **The Peace**

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

¶ *Remain standing to sing* **The Offertory Carol**

When the Lord was born on Earth, he was not a wealthy man.
He was born in poverty and the stars looked down to see,
And the brightest star of all was his.
Jesus is the son of God and he came to earth for me.

When the Lord was born on earth, he was not a wealthy man.
He was born in poverty and the angels came to see,
And the donkeys gave their stall for him,
And the brightest star of all was his.
Jesus is the son of God and he came to earth for me.

When the Lord was born on earth, he was not a wealthy man.
He was born in poverty and the shepherds came to see,
And the angels sang their joyful song,
And the donkeys gave their stall for him,
And the brightest star of all was his.
Jesus is the son of God and he came to earth for me.

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He was born in poverty and the wise men came to see,
And the shepherds knelt and worshipped him,
And the angels sang their joyful song,
And the donkeys gave their stall for him,
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