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The Parish Church of All Saints, St Ives



# Christmas Day 2015

## Services for this Week

Monday to Friday: Morning Prayer will be said at 09.00

26	<b>St Stephen</b>	10.00	Eucharist with carols. Followed by a Boxing Day stroll to Houghton and back, Followed by mince pies and mulled wine at The Vicarage
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**NEXT SUNDAY 27 December St John the Evangelist**

10.15	Parish Eucharist	The Vicar
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## ***Welcome to All Saints today***

*Throughout this booklet, where indications for posture are given, please treat them as being for guidance only. Should it suit you better to adopt an alternative posture, please feel free to do so.*

*Large Print Copies are available, as are Gluten Free Wafers. Please speak to a steward.*

### **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:** Ella Nairn, Mick Bacon, Cheryl Cook, Ethel Cooper, Gary James, Sophie Phillips, Cyril Whitfield, Elaine Bunnnett, Anne Spencer, Audrey, Philip, Muriel, Christopher, Paul, and Fr Jeff Vaughan

**THE DEPARTED:** Gerald Hazell, Pamela Norman.

**YEARS MIND:** Mervyn Hope(25th)

**May the peace of the Christ Child  
be with you all this Christmas**

Joy to the earth, the Saviour reigns!  
Let men their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

*Words: Issac Watts (1674 – 1748)*

*Tune: ANTIOCH attributed to Lowell Mason (1792 – 1872)*

### ¶ *Remain standing for* **The Dismissal**

God sent his angels from glory to bring to shepherds  
the good news of Jesus' birth.

**Amen. We thank you, Lord.**

You have heard his story,  
the story of God's own Son.

**Amen. We thank you, Lord.**

May he fill you with joy  
to bring this good news to others today.

**Amen. We thank you, Lord.**

### **Organ Voluntary**

Chorale Prelude: *In dulci jubilo*, BWV729

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 –1750)

## ¶ **The Gathering**

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

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
close in a stall, there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
on Christmas Day, in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
'Peace on the Earth!'  
On Christmas Day, in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
angels were singing, 'Peace on the Earth!' -  
On Christmas Day, in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
heavens were blazing, angels were singing, 'Peace on the Earth!'  
On Christmas Day, in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
shepherds were watching, heavens were blazing,  
angels were singing, 'Peace on the Earth!'  
On Christmas Day, in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
sheep were reclining, shepherds were watching,  
heavens were blazing, angels were singing, 'Peace on the Earth!'  
On Christmas Day, in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
people were sleeping sheep were reclining,  
shepherds were watching, heavens were blazing,  
angels were singing, 'Peace on the Earth!'  
On Christmas Day, in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
bright skies were shining, people were sleeping  
sheep were reclining, shepherds were watching,  
heavens were blazing, angels were singing, 'Peace on the Earth!'  
On Christmas Day, in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

On a night when the world in its sin and sorrow lay,  
wise men were riding, bright skies were shining,  
people were sleeping, sheep were reclining,  
shepherds were watching, heavens were blazing,  
angels were singing, 'Peace on the Earth!'  
On Christmas Day, in Bethlehem, close in a stall,  
there the Saviour Jesus was born.

Words: Michael Perry (1942—1996)

Tune *The Twelve Days of Christmas*: Traditional Carol

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

*The priest says*

† 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.**

### ¶ *Please stand for* **The Prayer after Communion**

*The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words*

Let us pray

God our Father, in this night you have made known to us again  
the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ:

confirm our faith and fix our eyes on him until the day dawns  
and Christ the Morning Star rises in our hearts.

To him be glory both now and for ever.

**Amen.**

### ¶ *The Dismissal*

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

The Lord be with you

**and also with you.**

Please bow you heads and pray for God's blessing.

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 Final Carol**

**Joy to the world,** the Lord is come!

Let earth receive her King;

Let every heart prepare Him room,

And Heaven and nature sing,

and Heaven and nature sing,

And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing.

¶ 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,  
born 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.

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.

*Words and Music: Geoffrey Ainger (b 1925)*

When God from heaven to earth came down  
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
The songs rang out in Bethlem town  
On Christmas Day in the morning.

For Christ was born to save us all  
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
And laid within a manger stall  
On Christmas Day in the morning.

The shepherds heard the angels sing  
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
To tell them of the Saviour King  
On Christmas Day in the morning.

Now joy is ours and all is well  
On Christmas Day, on Christmas Day,  
So sound the organ, chime the bell  
On Christmas Day in the morning.

Words: Michael Perry (1942—1996)

Tune *I Saw Three Ships*: English traditional melody, arr. Bramley and Stainer (1871)

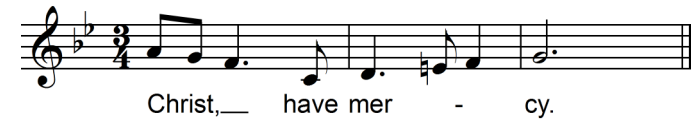
¶ Remain standing for **The Penitential Rite**

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**

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.  
**Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Father.**  
To God be glory for ever.

**To God be glory for ever.**

Alleluia, Amen.

**Alleluia, Amen. Alleluia, Amen. Alleluia, Amen.**

Glory to God, glory to God, Son of the Father. ...

Glory to God, glory to God, glory to the Spirit...

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

*The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words*

Let us pray

Almighty God,  
you have given us your only-begotten Son to take our nature upon him  
and as at this time to be born of a pure virgin:  
grant that we, who have been born again  
and made your children by adoption and grace,  
may daily be renewed by your Holy Spirit;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
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** (Titus 3: 4—7)

*At the end the reader says*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

¶ *Please stand for* **The Gospel Acclamation**

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

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

*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...**

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

**All: Hear our prayer, have mercy...**

**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.*

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



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

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day  
when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with the  
Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.

**Amen.**

¶ *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**

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

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Gospel Reading** (Luke 2: 8—20)

*Turn towards the Gospel reader who says*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
**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 sit or kneel for* **The Intercessory Prayers**

*To the bidding 'Holy God'  
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 Carols**

The first 'Nowell' the angel did say  
Was to three poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.

***Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,  
Born is the King of Israel!***

They lookèd up and saw a star  
Shining in the east, beyond them far;  
And to the earth it gave great light,  
And so it continued both day and night.

This star drew nigh to the north-west,  
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest;  
And there it did both stop and stay,  
Right over the place where Jesus lay.

Then did they know assuredly  
Within that house the King did lie;  
One entered it then for to see,  
And found the Babe in poverty.

Between an ox stall and an ass,  
This Child there truly born he was;  
For want of clothing they did him lay  
All in the manger, among the hay.

Then let us all with one accord  
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord;  
That hath made heaven and earth of naught,  
And with his blood mankind hath bought.

Words: extracts from a traditional carol, probably Cornish,  
as given in William Sandys's *Christmas Carols Ancient and Modern* (1833)

Tune: traditional English, arranged by Sir John Stainer (1840—1901)

¶ *Please remain standing throughout* **The Eucharistic Prayer (E)**

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 power and might,  
heaven 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 heaven, the God of life and love.**

***Gloria, Hosanna in the highest.***

We praise and bless you, loving father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,  
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.