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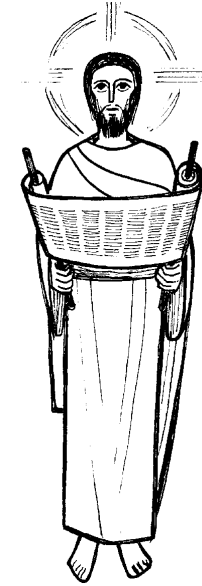
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The Parish Church of All Saints St Ives



The Third Sunday of Epiphany

24 January 2016

SERVICES TODAY

10.15 **Sung Parish Eucharist** **The Vicar**

Services and events for this Week

Monday to Friday: Morning Prayer will be said at 09.00

25 Mon	19.30	Eucharist for the Conversion of S Paul Followed by Deanery Synod
27 Wed	14.30	Be Still Meditation
28 Thurs	19.30	Choir Practice
29 Fri	19.00	Final Friday Film Night

NEXT SUNDAY 31 January is the Feast of Candlemas

10.15 **Parish Eucharist** **The Vicar**

Please take this booklet with you when you leave

Welcome to All Saints today

If you are new or just visiting, please do stay in Church after the service for coffee and fellowship.

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 ask a steward if you would find these helpful.

Introduction to the Season

In the western churches, the Epiphany ('manifestation') became an occasion to celebrate one element in the story of Christ's birth, the visit of the far-travelled Magi, understood as the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. Matthew's account speaks simply of 'wise men from the east'; later tradition fixed their number at three, made them kings, and recalled their resonant names – Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. In this perspective, Epiphanytide is an apt season to pray for the worldwide mission of the Church. The feast of the Conversion of St Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles, appropriately falls in the Epiphany season, as does the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. In the eastern churches, the Epiphany is, rather, the celebration of Christ's baptism at the hands of John, when the heavens were opened, and a voice from heaven declared Jesus to be God's beloved son. The miracle of Cana in Galilee, where Jesus 'first manifested his glory', follows immediately:

*Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
And at Cana wedding-guest
In thy Godhead manifest. (Christopher Wordsworth)*

The arrangement of the first Sundays of Epiphany deliberately draws out these aspects. The season of joyful celebration which begins at Christmas continues through the successive Sundays of Epiphany, and the festal cycle ends only with the Feast of the Presentation, or Candlemas (2 February or the nearest Sunday). The child who has been manifested to the Magi at his birth is now recognised by Simeon and Anna when he comes to be presented in the Temple according to the Law of Israel. He is both 'a light to lighten the Gentiles' and 'the glory of God's people Israel'. But the redemption he will bring must be won through suffering; the Incarnation is directed to the Passion; and Simeon's final words move our attention away from the celebration of Christmas and towards the mysteries of Easter.

February at All Saints

March at Sacred Heart, all starting at 19.30

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION FOR THIS WEEK

'Do tell me; I'm all ears!' Presumably an indication that there's no brain to remember what's going to be said! Of course, it's usually only very small children who take such statements literally, like the little girl who asked, 'Mrs Jones, could I please have some of that middle-age spread Mummy says you've got?'

Paul's metaphor of the church as a body is a useful reminder of two points; everyone can do something, and no one can do everything. And in the church, just as in the body, not everything has an obvious, easily understood, role. When someone wonders what exactly contemplatives do, ask them for a quick run-down on the functions of the spleen – unless they're a doctor!

Finding and fulfilling one's function is all part of the Isaiah agenda that Jesus quotes in the passage that forms our Gospel this morning. It's a reminder that our use of our time and talents is not, primarily, a call to activity, but to being. Jesus frees us to become the people we are meant to be, so that we can make our full contribution to the growth of his kingdom.

NOTICES

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

the afternoon a special service with all the Churches in St Ives takes place here at 16.00. Please come and support this important event.

Mothers Union The Mothers Union will meet in Church on Thursday 4th Feb at 2:30pm. Our speakers will be Revd Charles and Mrs Judith Dixon, The talk is entitled "Two weddings and an afternoon in prison". All are welcome.

Churchwardens Social There will be a Churchwardens social on Saturday 6th Feb between 10am and midday. Come along and enjoy a sherry, light refreshments and a raffle in aid of Church Funds and learn what activities and events are being planned for the coming year. This is an opportunity for you to have your say in determining the direction we take as a parish. All are welcome.

If anyone has any good quality items that can be raffled off such as unwanted Christmas presents, sale items etc please see Gary or Simon.

Lent Course This year Churches Together in St Ives will be running as the Lent Course a study of The Lord's Prayer from the Pilgrim Course material. This will take place on Monday mornings in the Methodist Church starting at 11.00 and followed by a Soup, Cheese and a roll lunch in the hall.

We will also be running the course here on a Sunday evening throughout Lent starting at 18.00.

In addition to this there is also a separate course for us to explore Growing as a Christian Church, which will take place each Friday throughout Lent at 20.15 in the Church. Look out for further details coming shortly as Lent this year begins on 13 February (Ash Wednesday)

Stations of the Cross

Again we are holding 'Stations of the Cross' throughout Lent, in conjunction with our Brothers and Sisters at the Church of the Sacred Heart. The venues for these as follows:

¶ *The Gathering*

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

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My dear Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of his grace!

Jesus— the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears,
'Tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean,
His blood availed for me.

He speaks; and, listening to his voice,
New life the dead receive,
The mournful broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
Your loosened tongues employ;
Ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
And leap, ye lame, for joy!

My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim
And spread through all the earth abroad
The honours of thy name.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707—1788)

Tune *Richmond*: Melody by Thomas Haweis (1734—1820),
harmonised by Samuel Webbe the Younger (c.1770—1843)

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

† In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe.

**From the rising of the sun to its setting
your name is proclaimed in all the world.**

The Lord of glory be with you.

The Lord bless you.

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Prayers of Penitence**

Do not be anxious about your life,
what you shall eat or what you shall drink.
Seek first God's kingdom and his righteousness.
Let us confess our sins
and our failure to make God's will our priority:

Lord, 'I was hungry and you gave me no food,
I was thirsty and you gave me no drink.'

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

'I was a stranger and you did not welcome me,
naked and you did not clothe me.'

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

'I was sick and you did not visit me,
in prison and you did not come to me.'

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Dismissal

O Lord, open my lips
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

When we were still helpless
Christ died for the ungodly.

The proof of God's amazing love is this:
while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

We have seen his glory,
the glory revealed to all the nations.

Go in the peace of Christ.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

Organ Voluntary

Wedding March (*A Midsummer Night's Dream*)

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809—1847)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

OUR SISTER CHURCHES IN ST IVES:

Today we remember Rev Vic Hudson and the people of Crossways . We ask for God's blessing on their lives, and pray that we may grow closer to him, so that we may grow closer to each other, for the sake of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

THE SICK:

Spencer Mitchell, Ella Nairn, Mick Bacon, Cheryl Cook, Anna Mogford, Ethel Cooper, Gary James, Sophie Phillips, Cyril Whitfield, Mary Leggett, Gillian Shire, Elaine Bunnett, Anne Spencer, Audrey, Denis, Christine Stephens, Marie, Philip, Muriel, Christopher, Paul, and Fr Jeff Vaughan

YEAR'S MIND: Beryl Monk (28th), Thelma Merriman(30th)


Finish then thy new creation,
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see thy great salvation,
Perfectly restored in thee,
Changed from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707—1788)

Tune *Blaenwern*: William Penfro Rowlands (1860—1937)

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Gloria in Excelsis**

Setting: *Mass of S Thomas*: David Thorne



Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est.
(Last time) A - men, A - men, A - - - - - men.

**Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Glory to god...**

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
Glory to god...**

**For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Glory to god...
Amen, amen, amen.**

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

God of all mercy,
your Son proclaimed good news to the poor,
release to the captives,
and freedom to the oppressed:
anoint us with your Holy Spirit
and set all your people free
to praise you in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Blessing of John and Sally Bacon**

¶ *John and Sally come to the front*

God our Father,
you have taught us through your Son
that love is the fulfilling of the law;
and so we have come together in your presence
to give you thanks for John and Sally's forty years of married life,
to rejoice together and to ask your blessing for them

John and Sally kneel

God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit,
bless, preserve and keep you;
the Lord mercifully grant you the riches of his grace
that you may please him both in body and soul,
and, living together in faith and love,
may receive the blessings of eternal life.

Amen.

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Blessing**

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace;
And the blessing of God almighty who is
the Father, † the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

¶ *Please sit for* **The First Reading**
(Nehemiah 8: 1—3,5—6,8—10)

At the end the reader says:
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

¶ *Remain seated for* **The Responsorial Psalm** (Ps 19)
and join in singing the response

Response: MHE; Chant: Dom Gregory Murray



The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. (*Response*)

The precepts of the Lord are right,
they gladden the heart.
The command of the Lord is clear,
it gives light to the eyes. (*Response*)

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. (*Response*)

May the spoken words of my mouth,
the thoughts of my heart,
win favour in your sight, O Lord,
my rescuer, my rock! (*Response*)

Almighty Father,
whose Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, is the light of the world:
may your people,
illumined by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.
Amen.

¶ *The Dismissal*

Notices

Final Hymn

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us thy humble dwelling,
All thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesu, thou art all compassion,
Pure unbounded love thou art;
Visit us with thy salvation,
Enter every trembling heart.

Come, almighty to deliver,
Let us all thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never,
Never more thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
Serve thee as thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
Glory in thy perfect love.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Distribution of the Sacrament

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 receive communion at this service. Alternatively you may wish to come for a blessing: please keep your hands down and your head bowed to indicate that this is your preference. Otherwise please remain seated.

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

O perfect Love, all human thought transcending,
Lowly we kneel in prayer before thy throne,
That theirs may be the love that knows no ending
Whom thou for evermore dost join in one.

O perfect Life, be thou their full assurance
Of tender charity and steadfast faith,
Of patient hope, and quiet brave endurance,
With childlike trust that fears not pain nor death.

Grant them the joy that brightens earthly sorrow,
Grant them the peace which clms all earthly strife;
And to life's day the glorious unknown morrow
That dawns upon eternal love and life.

Words: Dorothy Frances Gurney (1858—1932)

Tune *Highwood*: Sir Richard Runciman Terry (1863—1938)

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

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

¶ Remain seated for **The Second Reading**
(1 Corinthians 12: 12—31a)

At the end the reader says:
This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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



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

Cantor: The Lord has sent me to bring the Good News to the poor,
to proclaim liberty to the captives.

All: **Alleluia** (as above)

¶ Remain standing for **The Gospel Reading** (Luke 4: 14—21)

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:

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

¶ Please sit for the **Sermon**

The 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 the head for the next three 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.**

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

Believing the promises of God,
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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 the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.
**God here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

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

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
**Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

¶ *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:*

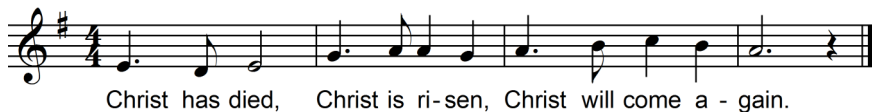
We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

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.
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:



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,
the Apostles, the Martyrs 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.

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

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

To the bidding We pray
Please respond by saying **Your kingdom come.**

After the Prayer for the Faithful Departed the intercessor says:
Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

And let light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace
and rise in glory.

silence is kept.

Almighty God,
by your Holy Spirit you have made us one
with your saints in heaven and on earth:
grant that in our earthly pilgrimage
we may ever be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer,
and know ourselves surrounded by their witness
to your power and mercy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

¶ **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Peace**

Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you
for the glory of God.

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 Hymn**

during which a collection is taken for the mission and upkeep of the Church. The gifts of the people are gathered and presented. The table is prepared and bread and wine are placed upon it.

O splendour of God's glory bright,
O thou that bringest light from light,
O Light of Light, light's living spring,
O Day, all days illumining.

O thou true Sun, on us thy glance
Let fall in royal radiance,
The Spirit's sanctifying beam
Upon our earthly senses stream.

The Father, too, our prayers implore,
Father of glory evermore;
The Father of all grace and might,
To banish sin from our delight:

To guide whate'er we nobly do,
With love all envy to subdue,
To make ill-fortune turn to fair,
And give us grace our wrongs to bear.

And Christ to us for food shall be,
From him our drink that wellethe free,
The Spirit's wine, that maketh whole,
And, mocking not, exalts the soul.

All laud to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee;
All glory, as is ever meet,
To God the holy Paraclete. Amen.

Words *Splendor paternae gloriae*: St Ambrose of Milan (340—397),
translated by Robert Bridges (1844—1930)
Tune *Gonfalon Royal*: Sir Percy Buck (1871—1947)

¶ *Remain standing for* **The Prayer Over the Gifts**

Faithful God, receive all we offer you this day.
May we so live the life of Christ
that your Church may be a sign of salvation
to all the nations of the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.
Amen.

¶ *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.

Living God, Father of light,
hope of nations, friend of sinners,
builder of the city that is to come:
your love is made visible in Jesus Christ,
you bring home the lost, restore the sinner
and give dignity to the despised.
In the face of Jesus Christ
your light shines out,
flooding lives with goodness and truth,
gathering into one a divided and broken humanity.

With people from every race and nation,
with the Church of all the ages,
with apostles, evangelists and martyrs,
we join the angels of heaven in their unending song:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest.**