

All Saints: the Parish Church of St Ives

## ***Welcome to All Saints' today***

**11 January 2026**

**Feast of the Baptism of Christ**

### **SERVICES TODAY**

**10.15 Sung Parish Eucharist**



### **Services and events for this Week**

Morning Prayer: Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 09.05

12 Mon	19.00	Bell Ringing Practice
13 Tue	10.00	Community Café
15 Thurs	19.30	Choir Practice
16 Fri	10.00	Community Café
	21.00	Compline Zoom (818 0346 5483)

### **NEXT SUNDAY 18 January**

**The Second Sunday of Epiphany**

**10.15 Parish Eucharist**

**16.00 Contemplative Prayer**

**Please take this booklet with you when you leave**

*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 and gluten-free wafers are available.  
Please speak to a steward if you need either of these.*

## **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**THE SICK:** Sylvia Boyce, Dorothy Goodhew, Christopher Jackson, Sally Jackson, Harold Marie, Mike Tassell, Roger Vardy, Karina Woods, Brandon, all who are sick and housebound

**THE DEPARTED:** Peter Lavender, James Garrard (priest), Simon Calverly

**YEAR'S MIND:** Joan Kelly (14th)

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¶ *Stand when the bell is rung for the* **ProceSSIONAL Hymn**

When Jesus came to Jordan  
To be baptised by John,  
He did not come for pardon,  
But as his Father's Son.  
He came to share repentance  
With all who mourn their sins,  
To speak the vital sentence  
With which good news begins.

He came to share temptation,  
Our utmost woe and loss,  
For us and our salvation  
To die upon the cross.  
So when the Dove descended  
On him, the Son of Man,  
The hidden years had ended,  
The age of grace began.

Come, Holy Spirit, aid us  
To keep the vows we make,  
This very day invade us,  
And every bondage break.  
Come, give our lives direction,  
The gift we covet most:  
To share the resurrection  
That leads to Pentecost.

Words: Fred Pratt Green (1903–2000)

Tune *Crüger*: from a chorale by Johann Crüger (1598–1662),  
adapted by William Henry Monk (1823–1889)

¶ *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 **Gloria in Excelsis**

Setting Mass for All Saints: Martin Everett

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high-est.

*All*  
Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est and  
peace to his peo - ple, peace to his peo - ple on earth. Lord  
God, hea-ven - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we  
wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your  
glo - ry. Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est.  
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world, have  
mer - cy, have mer - cy on us. You are sea - ted at the right  
hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer, re - ceive our prayer.  
Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God in the high - est. For you a-lone are the



¶ *Remain standing for the* **Collect**

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

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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*

¶ *Sit for the* **First Reading** (Isaiah 42:1–9)

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

¶ *Remain seated for the* **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps. 29)

*and join in singing the Response*

Response and Chant: MHE



The Lord will bless his peo - ple with peace.

O give the Lord, you sons of God,  
give the Lord glory and power;  
give the Lord the glory of his name;  
adore the Lord in his holy court. (*Response*)

The Lord's voice resounding on the waters,  
the Lord on the immensity of waters;  
the voice of the Lord, full of power,  
the voice of the Lord, full of splendour. (*Response*)

The God of glory thunders.  
In his temple they all cry: 'Glory!'  
The Lord sat enthroned over the flood;  
the Lord sits as king for ever. (*Response*)

¶ *Remain seated for the* **Second Reading** (Acts 10:34–43)

*At the end the reader says:*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

¶ *Stand for the* **Gospel Acclamation**

*and turn towards the Gospel reader*



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

Cantor: The heavens opened and the Father's voice resounded:  
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'

**All:** **Alleluia** (*as above*)

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Gospel Reading** (Matthew 3:13–17)

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 end of the Gospel the reader says:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

¶ *Sit for the* **Sermon**

*Canon Simon Kershaw (Licensed Lay Minister)*

¶ *Stand for the* **Act of Penitence and Dedication**

God in Christ gives us water welling up for eternal life.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

**Lord, give us this water and we shall thirst no more.**

Praise God who made heaven and earth,

**who keeps his promise for ever.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Father, we give you thanks and praise for your gift of water in creation; for your Spirit, sweeping over the waters, bringing light and life; for your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, baptised in the river Jordan. We bless you for your new creation, brought to birth by water and the Spirit, and for your grace bestowed upon us your children, washing away our sins.

May your holy and life-giving Spirit move upon these waters.  
Restore through them the beauty of your creation, and bring those  
who are baptised to new birth in the family of your Church.  
Drown sin in the waters of judgement, anoint your children with  
power from on high, and make them one with Christ in the  
freedom of your kingdom. For all might, majesty, dominion and  
power are yours, now and for ever. **Alleluia. Amen.**

God of truth, you are faithful to the covenant you have made with us;  
look in mercy on your people.

From all our sins, O Lord: **wash us, and we shall be clean.**

We have broken the pledges of our baptism, and failed to be your  
disciples.

From all our sins, O Lord: **wash us, and we shall be clean.**

Though we are saved by Christ and dead to sin through the deep  
waters of death, we have not witnessed to his grace by our manner of  
life.

From all our sins, O Lord: **wash us, and we shall be clean.**

We have shown indifference to those in need and have been afraid to  
stand up for justice and truth.

From all our sins, O Lord: **wash us, and we shall be clean.**

We have been slow to forgive, and have failed to remember your  
repeated forgiveness of our sins.

From all our sins, O Lord: **wash us, and we shall be clean.**

Today we rejoice and give thanks because your Son humbled himself  
to be baptised in the Jordan. Through the waters you have given us  
the mystery of baptism for the remission of our sins.

From all our sins, O Lord: **wash us, and we shall be clean.**

Through water and Spirit you give us new life as the people of God,  
and pour out upon us the gifts of your new covenant.

From all our sins, O Lord: **wash us, and we shall be clean.**



Almighty God, in our baptism you have consecrated us to be temples of your Holy Spirit. May we, whom you have counted worthy, nurture your indwelling Spirit with a lively faith, and worship you with upright lives; through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

‘Come,’ say the Spirit and the Bride, ‘Come forward, you who are thirsty, receive the water of life, the free gift to all who desire it.’

*Please come forward to have water poured over your hands. You are invited to drink some of the water and make the sign of the cross on your forehead. While this takes place the following hymn is sung:*

Now is eternal life,  
    If risen with Christ we stand,  
In him to life reborn,  
    And holden in his hand;  
No more we fear death’s ancient dread,  
In Christ arisen from the dead.

For God, the living God,  
    Stooped down to man’s estate;  
By death destroying death,  
    Christ opened wide life’s gate:  
He lives, who died; he reigns on high;  
Who lives in him shall never die.

Unfathomed love divine,  
    Reign thou within my heart;  
From thee nor depth nor height,  
    Nor life nor death can part;  
My life is hid in God with thee,  
Now and through all eternity.

Thee will I love and serve  
    Now in time’s passing day;  
Thy hand shall hold me fast  
    When time is done away,

In God's unknown eternal spheres  
To serve him through eternal years.

Words: George Wallace Biggs (1875–1959)

Tune *Christchurch*: Charles Steggall (1826–1905)

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Absolution**

May almighty God have mercy on us, † forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ *Kneel or sit for the* **Prayers of Intercession**

*The Priest introduces the prayers.*

*To the bidding* Lord of Glory

*Please respond by saying* **Hear our prayer.**

*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.**

Lord of Glory                                      **hear our prayer**

*The priest introduces a period of silence and says a concluding prayer.*

## ¶ ***The Liturgy of the Sacrament***

¶ *Stand for the* **Peace**

God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us and, as a pledge of what is to come, has given the Spirit to dwell in our hearts. Alleluia.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Offertory Hymn**

*The Altar is prepared and gifts of bread and wine are placed on it.*

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare,  
will you let me answer prayer in you, and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside, and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around  
through my sight and touch and sound in you, and you in me?

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you, and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you, and you in me.

Words: John L. Bell (b.1949) and Graham Maule (b.1958)

Tune *Kelvingrove*: Traditional Scottish melody

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Prayer over the Gifts**

Open the heavens, Lord our God, and send your transforming Spirit on us and on these gifts. May we who are baptised into Christ be ready to share his cup of suffering and strengthened to serve him for ever. **Amen.**

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



The Lord be\_\_ with you **And al - so\_\_ 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\_\_**

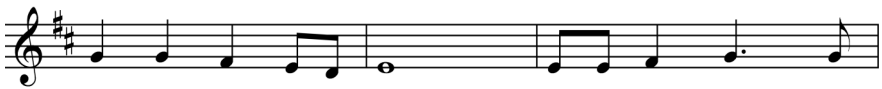
It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

You celebrated your new gift of baptism in signs and wonders at the Jordan. Your voice was heard from heaven to awaken faith in the presence among us of your Word made flesh. Your Spirit was seen as a dove, revealing Jesus as your servant, and anointing him with the oil of gladness to preach the good news to the poor.

Therefore, as we celebrate the union of earth and heaven, we rejoice to echo the song of the angels in heaven for ever praising you and singing:



Ho - ly, ho - ly,\_\_ ho - ly Lord,



God of power and\_\_ might, hea-ven and earth are



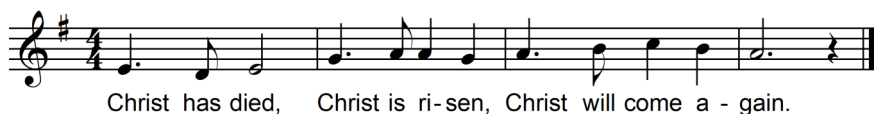
Accept our praises, heavenly Father through your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, and as we follow his example and obey his command, grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit these gifts of bread and wine may be to us his body and his blood;

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.

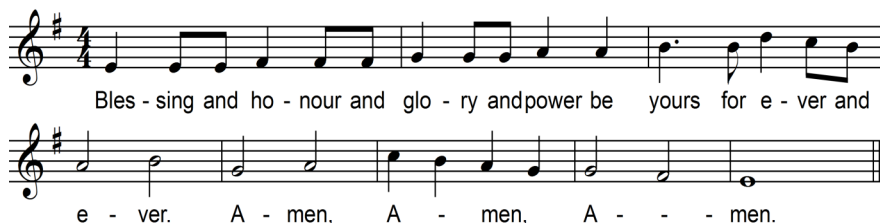
Therefore, heavenly Father, we remember his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross; we proclaim his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; we look for the coming of your kingdom, and with this bread and this cup we make the memorial of Christ your Son our Lord.

Great is the mystery of faith:



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.



¶ *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**

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.**

¶ *Kneel or sit for the* **Lamb of God**

Lamb\_\_ of God, you\_\_ take a - way the\_\_ sin of the

world: have\_\_\_\_ mer - cy on\_\_\_\_ us.

Lamb\_\_ of God, you\_\_ take a - way\_\_ the sin of the

world: grant us\_\_ peace,\_\_ grant us\_\_ peace,\_\_

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. If you are worried about receiving the Chalice, please remember that making your Communion in one kind is entirely valid.*

**We ask you not to dip the wafer into the chalice.**

*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.*

¶ *Remain kneeling or seated for the* **Communion Hymn**

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast,  
Body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,  
Blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,  
Wash me with water flowing from thy side.

Strength and protection may thy Passion be,  
O Blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;  
Deep in thy wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me,  
So shall I never, never part from thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign,  
In death's dread moments make me only thine;  
Call me and bid me come to thee on high  
Where I may praise thee with thy saints for ay.

Words: Attributed to Pope John XXII (c.1244–1334), translator unknown

Tune *Anima Christi*: William Maher (1823–1877)

¶ *Stand for the* **Prayer after Communion**

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

Let us pray.

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**O God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



## ¶ *The Dismissal*

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Notices**

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Acclamation**

The Father's voice bears witness to the Son.

**God has revealed himself to us.**

The Son bows his head beneath the waters of baptism.

**God has revealed himself to us.**

The Spirit as a dove descends from heaven.

**God has revealed himself to us.**

Submitting to John's baptism, Christ delivers us from bondage.

**God has revealed himself to us.**

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

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

May God, who in Christ gives us a spring of water welling up to eternal life, perfect in you the image of his glory; 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 Hymn**

Thou whose almighty word  
Chaos and darkness heard,  
And took their flight;  
Hear us, we humbly pray,  
And where the gospel day  
Sheds not its glorious ray  
Let there be light.

Thou who didst come to bring  
On thy redeeming wing  
Healing and sight,  
Health to the sick in mind,  
Sight to the inly blind,  
O now to all mankind,  
Let there be light.

Spirit of truth and love,  
Life-giving, holy Dove,  
Speed forth thy flight;  
Move o'er the waters' face  
Bearing the lamp of grace,  
And in earth's darkest place  
Let there be light.

Blessèd and holy Three,  
Glorious Trinity,  
Wisdom, Love, Might,  
Boundless as ocean's tide,  
Rolling in fullest pride,  
Through the world far and wide,  
Let there be light.

Words: John Marriott (1780–1825)

Tune *Moscow*: adapted from a melody by Felice Giardini (1716–1796),  
composed for Martin Madan's *Collection of Psalm and Hymn Tunes*, 1769

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Dismissal**

We have come to Christ, the living water.

Cantor	All
	
Go in the peace of Christ. Thanks be to God.	

## Organ Voluntary

Chorale Prelude: *Christ unser Herr zum Jordan kam*  
(Christ our Lord came to the Jordan)

Dietrich Buxtehude (c.1637–1707)

## NOTICES

### **Distribution of the Langley Bread**

This takes place on Wednesday at 10.00 a.m. in the Corn Exchange. Continuing a tradition from 1656, this is open to all widows and widowers who are on the town's electoral register. For more information please see Callum, John or Barry.

### **Farewell Service for Fr Mark and Kathy**

A short service of farewell for Fr Mark and Kathy will be held in the church on Sunday, 25 January at 3.00 p.m., including presentations and an opportunity for any who wish to take the microphone and thank Fr Mark for his ministry in the town over the last 15 years.

### **Farewell Lunch: Spaces Available**

There are a few spaces available to join Fr Mark for a farewell lunch in Floods Tavern on 25 January, 12.30 for 1.00 p.m. If you would like to come, please speak to Callum after the service **today** (if necessary, names will be drawn out of a hat).

### **Booze in the Pews: 5–7 February 2026**

Our winter beer festival is fast approaching. To help make the event a success we need your help and support. Please put the date in your diary and invite your family and friends! Please also consider signing up to volunteer, sponsoring a beer or cider, promoting the event on Facebook etc. Please speak to Verity, Deirdre or the Churchwardens for more information.

## **CONTACT DETAILS**

If you would like to know more of what is happening in your parish,  
please visit the calendar on the parish website  
[www.stivesparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.stivesparishchurch.org.uk) or contact one of the following:

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### **General Enquiries and items for inclusion in the sheet**

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Requests for Baptisms Marriages (including Banns) and funerals:  
please look on the website

**Musical enquires** (to join the choir or to discuss wedding music)  
please contact [music@stivesparishchurch.org.uk](mailto:music@stivesparishchurch.org.uk)

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