

The Parish Church of All Saints St Ives

Welcome to All Saints' today

7 January 2024

The Feast of The Epiphany

SERVICES TODAY

09.00 Morning Prayer

10.15 Sung Parish Eucharist



Services and events for this Week

Tuesday to Friday: Morning Prayer will be said at 09.05

8 Mon	09.30	Holy Communion
	19.30	Bell Practice
9 Tue	10.00	Pop Up Café
11 Thurs	19.30	Choir Practice
12 Fri	10.00	Pop Up Café
	12.00	Rosary Devotions
	21.00	Compline Zoom (818 0346 5483)

NEXT SUNDAY, 14 January 2024:

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

09.00 Morning Prayer

10.15 Parish Eucharist

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 ask a steward if you need either of these.*

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THE SICK:

Lottie Bacon, Sylvia Boyce, Callum Busby, Phil Compton, Joan Evans,
Geoff Hammond, Baby Isaac, Jane Sayers

THE DEPARTED:

Michael Roberts, Christopher Anderson

YEAR'S MIND:

Ethel Noble (7th), Marjorie Fisher (8th), Joan Walsh (12th),

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¶ Stand for the **Opening Hymn**

As with gladness men of old
Did the guiding star behold,
As with joy they hailed its light,
Leading onward, beaming bright,
So, most gracious God, may we
Evermore be led to thee.

As with joyful steps they sped,
To that lowly manger-bed,
There to bend the knee before
Him whom heaven and earth adore,
So may we with willing feet
Ever seek the mercy-seat.

As they offered gifts most rare
At that manger rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy,
Pure, and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring,
Christ, to thee our heavenly King.

Holy Jesu, every day
Keep us in the narrow way;
And, when earthly things are past,
Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide,
Where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heavenly country bright
Need they no created light;
Thou its Light, its Joy, its Crown,
Thou its Sun which goes not down:
There for ever may we sing
Alleluias to our King.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837–1898);

Tune *Dix*: from a chorale by Conrad Kocher (1786–1872),
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.

Arise, people of God for your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines on you. Other people come to your light. May light of the Lord be always with you **and also with you.**

We celebrate today the great feast of Epiphany. Originally it was the Christmas feast of the Eastern part of the Christian Church. In the Western part the emphasis was, and is, on the birth of Christ as a little human child. In the eastern part the stress is more on Jesus coming as Lord and Saviour for all. This is the reality the liturgy stresses today: Jesus came to save and bring life to all. No one is excluded. No one is a stranger to him. May all come to know Jesus alive here among us.

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Penitential Rite**

We do little to bring Jesus to those who do not know him; we ask the Lord to forgive us.

Lord Jesus, light from God shine in our hearts and lives.
Lord, have mercy.



Lord Jesus, let your integrity rule our hearts and lives.
Christ, have mercy.



Lord Jesus, peace from God, open our hearts and minds to those in need. 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 in excelsis**

Setting Mass of S Thomas: David Thorne



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, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

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, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

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, glory to God, glory to God in the highest.

Amen, amen, amen.

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

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

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the
peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by
faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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* **Old Testament Reading** (Isaiah 60: 1–6)

At the end the reader says:

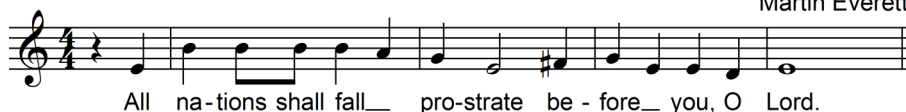
This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

¶ *Remain seated for the* **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps. 72)

and join in singing the Response

Martin Everett



O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement. (*Response*)

In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails. He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds. (*Response*)

The kings of Tarshish and the seacoasts shall pay him tribute. The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts. Before him all rulers shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him. (*Response*)

For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor. (*Response*)

¶ *Remain seated for the* **New Testament Reading**

Ephesians 3: 1–12)

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



Cantor: We saw his star as it rose
and have come to do the Lord homage.

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

¶ *Remain standing for the* **Gospel** (Matthew 2: 1–12)

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**

Mrs Elaine Midgley (*Licensed Reader*)

¶ *Stand for the* **Profession of Faith**
(from the Athanasian Creed)

God, of the being of the Father, the only Son from before time
began; human from the being of his mother, born in the world;
fully God and fully human; human in both mind and body.

As God he is equal to the Father,
as human he is less than the Father.

**Although he is both divine and human
he is not two beings but one Christ.**

One, not by turning God into flesh,
but by taking humanity into God;
**truly one, not by mixing humanity with Godhead,
but by being one person.**

For as mind and body form one human being
so the one Christ is both divine and human.
**The Word became flesh and lived among us;
we have seen his glory, the glory of the only Son
from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

¶ Please sit or kneel 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.

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

¶ **The Liturgy of the Sacrament**

¶ Stand for the **Offertory Hymn**

*A collection is taken for the mission and upkeep of the Church.
The Altar is prepared and gifts of bread and wine are placed on it.*

Songs of thankfulness and praise,
Jesu, Lord, to thee we raise,
Manifested by the star
To the sages from afar;
Branch of royal David's stem
In thy birth at Bethlehem;
Anthems be to thee address,
God in man made manifest.

Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
And at Cana, wedding guest
In thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in power divine,
Changing water into wine;
Anthems be to thee address,
God in man made manifest.

Manifest in making whole
Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
Manifest in valiant fight,
Quelling all the devil's might;
Manifest in gracious will,
Ever bringing good from ill;
Anthems be to thee address,
God in man made manifest.

Sun and moon shall darkened be,
Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;
Christ will then like lightning shine,
All will see his glorious sign;
All will then the trumpet hear,
All will see the Judge appear;
Thou by all wilt be confest,
God in man made manifest.

Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
 Mirrored in thy holy word;
 May we imitate thee now,
 And be pure, as pure art thou;
 That we like to thee may be
 At thy great Epiphany;
 And may praise thee, ever blest,
 God in man made manifest.

Words: Christopher Wordsworth (1807–1885)

Tune *St Edmund*: Charles Steggall (1826–1905)

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

Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours
 may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
 for the praise and glory of his name
 for our good and the good of all his holy church.**

Lord, accept your people's gifts, not gold, frankincense or myrrh, but
 hearts and voices raised in praise of Jesus Christ, our light and our
 salvation. **Amen.**

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

The musical notation consists of two staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes. The second staff contains a similar melody, slightly lower in pitch. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words followed by blank lines for singing.

The Lord be___ with you And___ al - so___ with___ you.

Lift_____ up your hearts___ We lift them to___ the Lord_____



All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.

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:



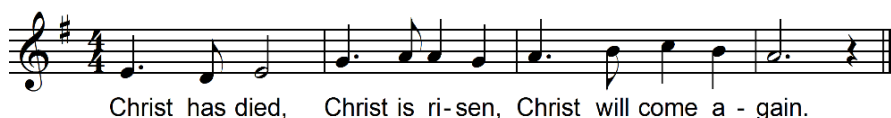
We praise and bless you, loving father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

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.

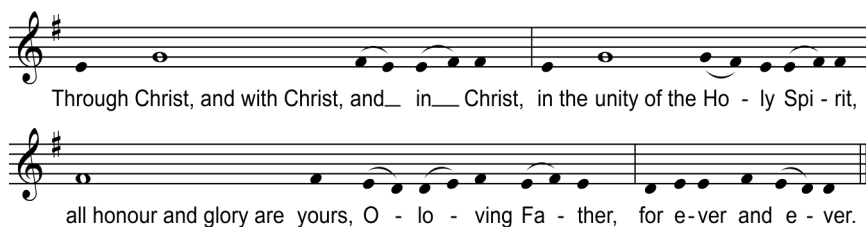
When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

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 and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.



¶ *Remain standing for the* **Lord's Prayer and Peace**

Jesus taught us to call God our Father, and so we 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.

Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will, who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All offer one another the customary sign of peace: a handclasp or handshake, which is an expression of peace, communion, and love.

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

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

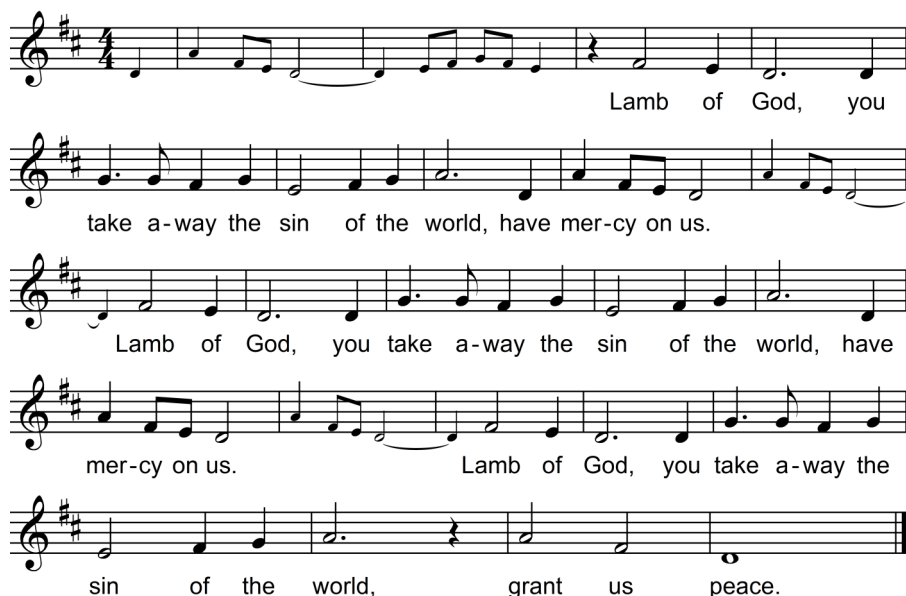
**Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

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

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

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



Distribution of the Sacrament

The Eucharist and Intinction *Intinction is the practice of dipping the bread wafers into the wine. This has implications for those who are gluten intolerant as traces of gluten are more likely to enter the wine. We therefore ask you **not to dip the wafer into the chalice.***

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. The Chalice will be offered for those who wish to

receive in both kinds. There is no compulsion about this. If you are worried about receiving the Chalice, please remember that making your Communion in one kind is entirely acceptable. 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**

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on his cradle the dewdrops are shining,
Low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;
Angels adore him in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch and Saviour of all.

Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
Odours of Edom and offerings divine?
Gems of the mountain and pearls of the ocean,
Myrrh from the forest or gold from the mine?

Vainly we offer each ample oblation,
Vainly with gifts would his favour secure;
Richer by far is the heart's adoration,
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783–1826)

Tune *Epiphany*: Joseph Francis Thrupp (1827–1867)

¶ Stand for the **Prayer after Communion**

The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer with the words

Let us pray.

Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we, who with the wise men have been drawn by your light, discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ **The Dismissal**

Notices

Blessing of Chalk on the Feast of the Epiphany

It has long been a tradition in the Church to bless chalk at Epiphany, and then to use the blessed chalk as part of blessing one's home.

† Our help is in the name of the Lord
who made heaven and earth.

The Lord be with you
and with your spirit

Lord God, among the gifts of creation you have given chalk to be of benefit to us all. We call on your holy name to bless † these pieces of chalk. May those who take them and write with them on the doors of their houses the names of your holy Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar, be aided by their intercession and have a share in their merits; may their bodies be healthy and their souls saved. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The chalk is sprinkled with Holy Water.

The text for use at home is at the end of this booklet and the chalk will be available for you to take at the end of the Eucharist.

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

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

Please bow your heads and pray for God's blessing

May God the Father, who led the wise men by the shining of a star to find the Christ, the Light from light, lead you in your pilgrimage to find the Lord. **Amen.**

May God, who has delivered us from the dominion of darkness, give us a place with the saints in light in the kingdom of his beloved Son. **Amen.**

May the light of the glorious gospel of Christ shine in your hearts and fill our lives with his joy and peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God almighty, † the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Dismissal

We have seen his glory, the glory revealed to all the nations.
Go in the peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

Recessional Hymn

From the eastern mountains
Pressing on they come,
Wise men in their wisdom,
To his humble home;
Stirred in deep devotion,
Hasting from afar,
Ever journeying onward,
Guided by a star.

There their Lord and Saviour
As an infant lay,
Wondrous light that led them
Onward on their way,
Ever now to lighten
Nations from afar,
As they journey homeward
By that guiding star.

Thou who in a manger
Once hast lowly lain,
Who dost now in glory
O'er all kingdoms reign,
Gather in the peoples,
Who in lands afar
Ne'er have seen the brightness
Of thy guiding star.

Gather in the outcasts,
All who've gone astray,
Throw thy radiance o'er them,
Guide them on their way;
Those who never knew thee,
Those who've wandered far,
Lead them by the brightness
Of thy guiding star.

Onward through the darkness
Of the lonely night,
Shining still before them
With thy kindly light,
Guide them, Jew and Gentile,
Homeward from afar,
Young and old together,
By thy guiding star.

Until every nation,
 Whether bond or free,
 'Neath thy star-lit banner,
 Jesu, follows thee,
 O'er the distant mountains
 To that heavenly home
 Where nor sin nor sorrow
 Evermore shall come.

Words: Godfrey Thring (1823–1903)

Tune Evelyns: William Henry Monk (1823–1889)

Organ Voluntary

Chorale Prelude *Gelobet seist du, Jesu Christ*
 (Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ)

Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706)

Notices

Foodbank:

Father Mark, Father Gary and Callum, Foodbank Operations Manager, would like to say a big thank you to all who volunteered to help process the extra Christmas donations. Over the two days over 1.5 tons of food was sorted ready for distribution. If anyone would like to help out on a more regular basis please speak to either one of us.

Social News and Events. Please note these in your diary

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| 8—10 Feb | Booze In The Pews. Please contact Verity |
| 13 Feb | Shrove Tuesday Pot Luck Supper at the Vicarage
Everyone invited to bring a dish, leftovers accepted,
to share. Drinks provided but you must take uneaten
items home with you! |
| 14 February | Ash Wednesday |
| 19 March | Mothering Sunday |
| 31 March | Easter Day, with special event in the Afternoon |

EPIPHANY BLESSING OF CHALK

Use the blessed chalk to write, above, or alongside the doorways:

20+C+M+B+24 [you may also decorate 'C, M & B' with crowns if you wish.]

[20 + 24 represents the year; C, M and B stand for the 3 Magi – Casper, Melchior, and Balthasar – and for *Christus Mansionem Benedicat*, Latin for 'May Christ Bless this House.']

And underneath, if space permits, write: *Orate pro nobis* (pray for us)

As you are writing, pray one or more of the following prayers:

May all who come to this home this year rejoice to find Christ present within; and may we seek and serve, in everyone we meet, that same Jesus who is Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, incline your ear. Bless us and all who are gathered here. Send your holy angels to defend and fill with grace us and all who dwell herein. Amen.

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