

## Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints



**J**ourneying On  
Joseph, obedient to the voice of God, takes his family away from danger into Egypt, and then when the danger is over they journey back and take up their everyday lives.

This is but a start for the infant Jesus, because so much of his life will be taken up with journeys - into the desert to discover himself; around the towns of Judea to bring the news and healing of God's Kingdom; up to Jerusalem to accomplish his death and resurrection.

We too journey through life, sometimes listening to the voice of God, and sometimes not.

I hope that you have been able to hear the voice of God speaking to you in this Christmas week. And now I pray that you will be able to listen for God's voice and *follow that voice* into 2020.

***If your own business is too pressing or important for you to take time listening, then don't be surprised if you find you have gone the wrong way!***

### Christmas I (29th December 2019)

- 09.30 Matins (St Leonard's, Spital)
- 10.30 Sung Mass

#### ALSO THIS WEEK:

***Monday 30th December***  
12.15 Mass

***Tuesday 31st December***  
09.00 Morning Prayer  
09.30 Mass

***Wednesday 1st January***  
09.00 Morning Prayer  
09.30 Holy Communion (BCP)

***Thursday 2nd January***  
09.00 Morning Prayer  
17.00 Evening Prayer  
17.30 Mass

***Friday 3rd January***  
09.00 Morning Prayer  
12.15 Mass  
16.00 Evening Prayer

***Saturday 4th January***  
09.00 Morning Prayer  
09.30 Mass  
16.00 Evening Prayer



**Please remember to respect those who wish to prepare for Mass in quiet prayer; also those who wish to listen to the closing Organ Voluntary**

All are invited to share refreshments after Mass in the Saints Parish Centre across the churchyard.

## CHRISTMAS I - SUNG MASS

**Processional Hymn**            **36**

**Setting**                            **Grayston Ives**

### **Collect Prayer**

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**

### **A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews      Hebrews 2.10-end**

It was fitting that God, for whom and through whom all things exist, in bringing many children to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, saying, 'I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.' And again, 'I will put my trust in him.' And again, 'Here am I and the children whom God has given me.'

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

**Gradual Hymn**                    **40**

## **Hear the Gospel of Christ according to St Matthew**

**Glory to you, O Lord**

**Matthew 2.13-end**

Now after the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, 'Out of Egypt I have called my son.'

When Herod saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, he was infuriated, and he sent and killed all the children in and around Bethlehem who were two years old or under, according to the time that he had learned from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah: 'A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they are no more.'

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, 'Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead.' Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, 'He will be called a Nazorean.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

**Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace**

**Offertory Hymn**

**26**

**Postcommunion**

**AM 72 (see separate sheet)**

**Voluntary**

**Fantasia on Wie schön leuchtet**

**der Morgenstern  
(Dietrich Buxtehude)**

## Prayer Intentions This Week:

### Today 29th December - Christmas I

- All who came to our churches in December
- ◇ Gahini (Rwanda); Gambia (West Africa)
- ✦ Jenny Turner
- ✦ Marian Chaplin

### Monday 30th December

- That there may be the opportunity for rest
- ◇ Gasabo (Rwanda); Gboko (Nigeria)
- ✦ Albert Hatton
- ✦ Vera Costigan
- ✦ Peggy Rose

### Tuesday 31st December - John Wycliff

- For trust in God
- ◇ George (Sn Africa); Georgia (TEC)

### Wednesday 1st January - Naming & Circumcion of Jesus

- For God's grace
- ◇ Lagos, Lagos Mainland & Lagos West (Nigeria)

### Thursday 2nd January - Basil the Great; Gregory of Nazianzus

- Peak Deanery
- ◇ Lahore (Pakistan); S Wn Brazil (Brazil);  
Southeast Florida (TEC)

### Friday 3rd January

- Bradwell, St Barnabas
- ◇ Lainya (S Sudan); Southeastern Mexico  
(Mexico)
- ✦ Constance Walton
- ✦ Brian William Pick

### Saturday 4th January

- Castleton, St Edmund
- ◇ Lake Malawi (Cen Africa); Sn Brazil (Brazil);  
Gippsland (Australia)
- ✦ Clarice Ruby King
- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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## Our prayers have been asked for:

Jane Hoskin; Charlese Cain; Carol Miles; John Robinson; Sheila Laverick; Carol Kingham; Joan Lidgate; Teddy; June Frankland; John Herring; Michael Catton; Patricia Mitchell; Sue Hastings; Jean Madin; Jane Jackson; David Staves; Ian Mackenzie; Cynthia; Mark Drew; Arthur Croft

✦ Heather Lacey, RIP

✦ Jenet Lockwood, RIP

## Church 'Post Box'

Last chance to collect your Christmas Cards from the back of the church!

## Freewill Offering Envelope Scheme

Envelopes for 2020 are now ready. Please contact Andrew Peppitt or Sheila Barrett.

## Gift Shop Christmas / New Year Opening

30th, 31st December: Open 10am - 2pm

1st January: Closed

2nd January: Back to normal -  
(Monday-Saturday, 10am - 4pm)



## Next Sunday - 5th January - Epiphany

08.30 Said Mass

09.00 Mass (St Leonard's, Spital)

09.30 Informal Mass

11.00 Procession & Choral Mass

Readings: Ephesians 3.1-12  
Matthew 2.1-12

18.30 Solemn Evensong & Procession

Readings: Psalms 98 & 100  
Baruch 4.36-5.end  
John 2.1-11

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