

Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints



Making It Clear

Of all feasts of the Church, the Epiphany is probably the one which shows most clearly that our faith is not for us alone.

The Wise Men represent the interest of the whole world in what is happening in Bethlehem - what God is doing in the world.

It reminds us that our faith is not a private matter - between us and our Maker - but a matter for witness and action.

We will need the patience and perseverance of the Wise Men if we are to accomplish whatever it is God has in store for us in 2020; and we will need to listen to the voice of God as they did, paying heed to the signs that appear around us, and being prepared to go out on a limb if that is what God asks.

When our listening, patience and perseverance turns into witness and action, the Kingdom of God can make great strides in the coming year - even in this humble place where we live!

Epiphany (5th January 2020)

- 08.30 Said Mass
- 09.00 Mass (St Leonard's, Spital)
- 09.30 Informal Mass
- 11.00 Procession & Choral Mass
- 18.30 Solemn Evensong & Procession

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 6th January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 12.15 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 7th January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Wednesday 8th January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Holy Communion (BCP)
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Thursday 9th January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 12.15 Lunchtime Recital
- 17.00 Evening Prayer
- 17.30 Mass

Friday 10th January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 12.15 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Saturday 11th 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.

EPIPHANY - PROCESSION & CHORAL MASS

Processional Hymn 50 (*t.338*)

Setting **Sumsion in F**

Collect Prayer

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**

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians **Eph 3.1-12**

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles - for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

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

Gradual Hymn 27

Hear the Gospel of Christ according to St Matthew

Glory to you, O Lord **Matthew 2.1-12**

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born.

They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel."'"

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

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

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn	47
Communion Motet	Brightest and best (<i>Malcolm Archer</i>)
Postcommunion	49 (<i>t.ii</i>)
Voluntary	Marche des Rois Mages (<i>Théodore Dubois</i>)

SOLEMN EVENSONG & PROCESSION

Responses	Neary
Hymn	48
Psalms	98 & 100
First Lesson	Baruch 4.36-5.end
Office Hymn	47
Canticles	Brewer in D
Second Lesson	John 2.1-11
Anthem	New Year Carol (<i>Benjamin Britten</i>)
Offertory Hymn	51
Processional Hymn	56
Voluntary	Chorale Prelude <i>Zu Bethlehem geboren</i> (<i>Helmut Walcha</i>)

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 5th January - Epiphany

- Bishop Libby and Bishop Jan
- ◇ Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia

Monday 6th January

- Beeley, St Anne; Edensor, St Peter
- ◇ Lake Rukwa (Tanzania); Southern Highlands (Tanzania); Gitega (Burundi)
- ✦ *Annie Musson; Eddie Benton*

Tuesday 7th January

- Retired clergy and those with PTO
- ◇ Lango (Uganda); Southern Malawi (Cen Africa); Glasgow & Galloway (Scotland)
- ✦ *Bessie Pick*

Wednesday 8th January

- Youlgreave, All Saints
- ◇ Langtang (Nigeria); Southern Nyanza (Kenya)
- ✦ *Jane Elizabeth Jackson; Derrick Ashley*

Thursday 9th January

- Birchover, St Michael
- ◇ Lebombo (Southern Africa); Southern Ohio (TEC); Southern Philippines (Philippines)

Friday 10th January - William Laud

- Stanton-in-Peak, Holy Trinity
- ◇ Leeds (England)
- ✦ *Peter Faulkner Graves*

Saturday 11th January - Mary Slessor

- Middleton, St Michael & All Angels
- ◇ Leicester (England); Southern Virginia (TEC); Gloucester (England)
- ✦ *Mary Harriet Wright; Gladys Fielding; Edna May Judd; Barbara Dain; Joan Day*

- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

- ◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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; Thomas Hargadon; Alastair Large

✦ *Heather Lacey, RIP*

✦ *Jenet Lockwood, RIP*

✦ *Beryl Thompson, RIP*

Freewill Offering Envelope Scheme

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

Lunchtime Recitals

The next series of recitals starts on Thursday 9th January, 12.15pm, with Adam Parrish on piano. Entry is free, with a retiring collection for the Music Fund.

Church Gift Shop

Many thanks to everyone who supported us and made 2019 another successful year. We will be open Monday-Saturday, 10am - 4pm, throughout 2020.

Next Sunday - 12th January - Baptism of Christ

08.30 Said Mass

09.30 Matins (St Leonard's, Spital)

10.30 Choral Mass

Readings: Acts 10.34-43
Matthew 3.13-end

18.30 Choral Evensong

Readings: Psalms 46 & 47
Joshua 3.1-8, 14-end
Hebrews 1.1-12

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