

Chesterfield Parish Church Saint Mary & All Saints

Generosity

Today's Gospel passage is a testimony to God's generosity: Jesus turns huge quantities of water into huge quantities of the best wine.



It is so easy to take God's generosity for granted and to neglect to be generous in return. We have so much (even in a time when people may be feeling the pinch) and we share so little of it. We have so many gifts and we use so few of them for the benefit of others.

Elsewhere Jesus teaches that we will receive according to the measure in which we give. This is no Victorian saying or morality proverb: it's divine teaching, and sorely in need of a good hearing.

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

Epiphany III (21st January 2024)

- 08.30 Holy Communion (1662)
- 10.30 Choral Mass
- 18.30 Choral Evensong

ALSO THIS WEEK:

Monday 22nd January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 12.15 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 23rd January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Wednesday 24th January

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

Thursday 25th January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 17.00 Evening Prayer
- 17.30 Mass

Friday 26th January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 12.15 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer

Saturday 27th January

- 09.00 Morning Prayer
- 09.30 Mass
- 16.00 Evening Prayer



ETIPHANY III - CHORAL MASS

Processional Hymn: 56

Setting: Prince of Peace Mass (*William Lloyd Webber*)

Collect Prayer

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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 the Revelation to John Revelation 19.6-10

Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out, 'Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready; to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure' - for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.' Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

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

Gradual Hymn: 280

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint John

Glory to you, O Lord

John 2.1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'

Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn: 345

Communion Motet: Brightest and Best of the Sons of
the Morning (*Malcolm Archer*)

Post-Communion Hymn: 284

Voluntary: *Allegro Maestoso* (Sonata VI)
(*Gustav Merkel*)

CHORAL EVENSONG

Responses: Sanders

Psalm(s): 33

First Lesson: Jeremiah 3.21-4.2

Office Hymn: 366

Canticles: Noble in B minor

Second Lesson: Titus 2.1-8, 11-14

Anthem: There shall a star come forth from Jacob
(*Felix Mendelssohn*)

Hymn: 467

Voluntary: March of the Magi Kings (*Théodore Dubois*)

Prayer Intentions This Week:

Today 21st January - Epiphany III

- For all who struggle with unbelief
- ◇ The Church of South India (United)
- ✦ *Bill Taylor*

Monday 22nd January - Vincent of Saragossa

- Benefice of Barlborough and Clowne
- ◇ Busoga - The Church of Uganda

Tuesday 23rd January

- Hospital, school, prison and workplace chaplains
- ◇ Central Busoga - The Church of Uganda
- ✦ *Dorothy Wass; Cora Huckle; Marjorie Carver; James Morton; Patricia Littlewood*

Wednesday 24th January - Francis de Sales

- Benefice of Baslow and Eyam
- ◇ Butare - The Anglican Church of Rwanda
- ✦ *James Jackson; Reginald Thompson; Mary Lainchbury; Michael Catton*

Thursday 25th January - The Conversion of Paul

- Benefice of Beeley and Edensor
- ◇ Butere - The Anglican Church of Kenya
- ✦ *Valerie Mayo-Braiden; Carol Gill; Ethel Kirby*

Friday 26th January - Timothy and Titus

- Benefice of Belper St Peter
- ◇ Buye - The Anglican Church of Burundi
- ✦ *Eileen Harrison*

Saturday 27th January - Holocaust Memorial Day

- For the light of hope to shine in the darkest places
- ◇ Byumba - The Anglican Church of Rwanda
- ✦ *Elsie Weller; Lilian Wootton; Michael Sellers, priest*

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

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Our prayers have been asked for:

June Frankland; Andrea Sutcliffe; John
Robinson; Jean Madin; Valerie Alice
Seeney; Colin Hutson; Christopher Cain;
Jean Morris; Wendy Layton; Ambrose
Mason; Paul Bates; John Lockwood; Ian
Bennett; Tony Ragan; Sue Hastings; Terry
Bell; Iain Bushe; Jane Bushe; Fiona
Solberg; Marian Mathews; Barbara
Carter; Jack; Charles Gaskell; Violet
McGhie; David Pedrick

✦ *Roger Morton, RIP*

A Feast for Candlemas

There will be a special Candlemas
Evensong at 6.30pm on Friday 2nd
February.

This will be followed at 7.30pm by the
choir's Pie & Quiz night in the Saints.
Tickets for the Pie & Quiz are £7 adults
and £5 children. Further information
from: choir@crookedspire.org

Next Sunday - 28th January - Presentation of Christ (Candlemas)

- 08.30 Holy Communion (1662)
09.30 Morning Prayer (St Leonard's, Spital)
10.30 Choral Mass & Procession
Readings: Hebrews 2.14-end
Luke 2.22-40
18.30 Choral Evensong
Readings: Psalm(s) 122 & 132
Haggai 2.1-9
John 2.18-22

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