



Sunday 5th January



Epiphany

JESUS CAME
FOR EVERYONE

Call to Worship

The Lord be with you
and also with you

Come, let us sing unto the Lord
**let us rejoice and be glad for he has been revealed to the nations
as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords**

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 by Thee.

As with joyful steps they sped, Saviour, to Thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before Thee whom heaven and earth adore,
So may we with willing feet ever seek Thy mercy-seat.

As they offered gifts most rare at Thy cradle 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 Jesus, 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 forever may we sing Hallelujahs to our King.

Confession *please sit or kneel*

God so loved the world that he gave his only Son to save us from our sins. Let us therefore confess our sins in penitence and faith,

God our Father, we confess to you and to our fellow members in the Body of Christ that we have sinned in thought, word and deed, and in what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry.

Forgive us our sins, and deliver us from the power of evil, for the sake of your Son who died for us, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

God, who is both power and love, forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen**

The Collect

O God, who, by the guidance of a star, revealed your only-begotten Son to the nations: Grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at the last be led to see your glory face to face; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Reading: Isaiah 60 v1-6

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the people, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you.

Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look about you:

All assemble and come to you; sons and daughters come from afar.

Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come.

Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gifts of gold and incense, proclaiming the praise of the Lord.

Hymn **BRIGHTEST AND BEST OF THE SONS OF THE MORNING,**

Dawn on our dark-ness and lend us Thine aid;
Star of the East, the horizon adorning,
Guide where our in-fant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on His cra-dle the dew-drops 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 mount-ain 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.

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 2 v1-12

Hear the gospel of our Lord according to Matthew
Glory to Christ our Saviour.

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."

When King Herod heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. So he gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, and inquired of them where the Christ was to be born.

They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet: "You, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are not the least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you shall come a Ruler Who will shepherd My people Israel."

Herod, secretly spoke to the wise men, to determine from them at what time the star appeared and then sent them to Bethlehem saying, "Go and search carefully for the young Child, and when you have found Him, bring back word to me, that I too may come and worship Him."

As the wise men departed; the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over the place where the young Child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy.

And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him giving Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

Being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country by another way.

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon

Creed Let us affirm our faith together in the words of the Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one substance with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father.**

**With the Father and the Son, he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessions for today

The Peace

**The Peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you**

Hymn O WORSHIP THE LORD IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS,
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him the Lord is his name.

Low at his feet lay your burden of carefulness,
high on his heart he will bear it for you,
comfort your sorrows and answer your prayerfulness,
guiding your steps in the way that is true.

Fear not to enter his courts in the slenderness
of the poor wealth you would count as your own;
truth in its beauty and love in its tenderness
these are the offerings to bring to his throne.

These, though we bring them in trembling and fearfulness,
he will accept for the name that is dear;
mornings of joy give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling and hope for our fear.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,
bow down before him, his glory proclaim;
with gold of obedience and incense of lowliness,
kneel and adore him the Lord is his name.

Offertory Prayer

Let us present our offerings to the Lord

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness,
the power, the glory,
the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you,
and of your own we give you. Amen**

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also 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 him thanks and praise.

Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker.

Out of nothing, you called all worlds into being,
and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment.

Day and night celebrate your glory
till time shall be no more.

In Christ, your only-begotten Son,
you have revealed yourself to the world.

By the guiding of a star,
you made him known to the nations
as the son of David and king of Israel;
that in following him,
we might be led from darkness
and into his marvellous light.

**Filled with the Spirit, who descended upon your Son,
we who are baptised in his name
strive for his heavenly kingdom in whose radiance
we are transfigured and the earth is transformed.**

As children of your redeeming purpose
we offer you our praise with angels and archangels
and the whole company of heaven
singing the hymn of your unending glory:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord
God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father.
In Jesus the Messiah you have come to us.
Our hope is built on him in whom you are well pleased.
Having been shown to the world as your beloved Son,
he proclaimed the good news of your kingdom.

The blind received their sight, the lame walked,
the lepers were cleansed, and the captives set free.
At his word, water became wine,
the hungry were filled with bread,
and the dead were raised.

Before he was given up to suffering and death,
desiring to complete the work for which he came into the world,
at supper with his disciples
he took bread and offered you thanks.
He broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying:
"Take, eat. This is my Body: it is broken for you."

After supper, he took the cup,
he offered you thanks,
and gave it to them saying:
"Drink this, all of you.
This is my Blood of the new covenant;
it is poured out for you, and for all,
that sins may be forgiven.
Do this in remembrance of me."

**We now obey your Son's command.
We recall his blessed passion and death,
his glorious resurrection and ascension;
and we look for the coming of his Kingdom.
Made one with him, we offer you these gifts
and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.**

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon this bread and this wine,
that, overshadowed by his life-giving power,
they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,
and we may be kindled with the fire of your love
and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

**Help us, who are baptised into the fellowship of Christ's Body
to live and work to your praise and glory;
may we grow together in unity and love
until at last, in your new creation, we enter into our heritage
in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets,
and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.**

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be to you,
Lord of all ages, world without end. Amen.

Breaking of Bread

The living bread is broken for the life of the world
Lord, unite us in this sign.

Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has commanded and taught us,
we are bold to 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.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation to come and receive

All are welcome to come and receive communion or a blessing at this time

Thanksgiving and sending out

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious.
And his mercy endures for ever.

God of all nations

guide us with your light of love.

Help us to recognise Christ at work in us and in our neighbour.

By your Spirits presence help us to reveal Christ to the world.

Blessing

Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts and minds
with the good news of his kingdom;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you now and always.

Amen

Hymn HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED,

Great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed,
His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
To set the captive free,
To take away transgression,
And rule in equity.

He comes, with succour speedy,
To those who suffer wrong;
To help the poor and needy,
And bid the weak be strong;
To give them songs for sighing,
Their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying,
Were precious in His sight.

He shall come down like showers
Upon the fruitful earth;
Love, joy and hope, like flowers,
Spring in His path to birth;
Before Him, on the mountains,
Shall peace, the herald, go;
And righteousness, in fountains,
From hill to valley flow.

Kings shall fall down before Him,
And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore Him,
His praise all people sing;
To Him shall prayer unceasing
And daily vows ascend,
His kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.

O'er every foe victorious,
He on His throne shall rest;
From age to age more glorious,
All-blessing and all-blessed.
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove;
His name shall stand forever,
His changeless name of Love.

Dismissal

Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord
in the name of Christ, Amen.

*Do gather with us for fellowship
and refreshments served after the service*

**Sunday Services resume at both churches at 10am
Next Sunday 12th January**



Creative
family
fun



We look forward to the start of a new year and a year of Messy Activities offering opportunities for family and friends to gather and explore some familiar Bible Stories through arts, crafts, song and story. Finishing off with a family meal together at no cost.

Last Saturday of each Month from 4pm at St Mary's.

January 25th - It's all about Grace and Mercy

February 22nd - Forgive one another

March 29th - Rescued and Saved

Everybody's Welcome, anyone can come.



St Mary's Sunday at 10am

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