



Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 21st January 2018

The Third Sunday of Epiphany

Services Today

9.30am Said Mass with Family Ministry
Hymns: 52: 297

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon with Procession
Hymns: 48: 56: 57: 272

2.30pm Messy Church in the Community Centre

670 Epiphany 2 (The Third Sunday of Epiphany)

Introit All the earth shall worship thee, O God, and sing of thee: they shall sing praise to thy Name, O most highest.

Psalm O be joyful in God, all ye lands: sing praises unto the honour of his Name; make his praise to be glorious. Glory be to the Father...

Gradual The Lord sent his word and healed them: and they were saved from their destruction. *V.* O that men would therefore praise the Lord for his goodness: and declare the wonders that he doeth for the children of men.

Alleluia Alleluia. Alleluia. *V.* Praise the Lord, all ye angels of his: praise him, all his host. Alleluia.

Offertory O be joyful in God, all ye lands; sing praises unto the honour of his Name: O come hither and hearken, all ye that fear God; and I will tell you what the Lord has done for my soul, alleluia.

Communion Andrew saith unto his brother Simon: We have found the Messiah, which is being interpreted, the Christ: and he brought him to Jesus.

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Collect

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.

Old Testament Reading - Genesis Ch14 v17-20

¹⁷ After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). ¹⁸ And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. ¹⁹ He blessed him and said,
 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High,
 maker of heaven and earth;
²⁰ and blessed be God Most High,
 who has delivered your enemies into your hand!'
And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

New Testament Reading - Revelation Ch19 v6-10

⁶ 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.
⁷ 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;
⁸ 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.
⁹ 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.'
¹⁰ 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.'

Gospel - John Ch2 v1-11

¹There was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' ⁴And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' ⁵His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' ⁶Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. ⁹When 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 ¹⁰and 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.' ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Post Communion

Almighty Father,
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
is the light of the world:
may your people,
illumined by your word and sacraments,
shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed
to the ends of the earth;
for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Please remember in your prayers

Elizabeth Opie, Joyce Craske, Judy Bobbitt, Maureen Pitman,
Alisha De Guerin, Christine Shaw, Tony Renouf, Brenda Penfold
and Barbara Streek.

Please pray also for Pam; for Michele, Jaike and Glyn, all suffering from
cancer; for Melvyn Boxall, Bill Brend, Chris Bellinger;
and for Samuel, a 12 year-old boy diagnosed with leukaemia.

Services for this week

Tuesday 23rd January 11.00am Said Mass - John the Almsgiver - Bishop, 619

Wednesday 24th January 7.00pm Said Mass - Francis de Sales - Teacher, 1622

Friday 26th January 7.00pm Said Mass - Timothy and Titus

Sunday 28th January
The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

Candlemas

9.30am Family Service

11.00am Sung Mass with Sermon & Procession

ELECTORAL ROLL

The annual revision of the Electoral Roll of St Stephen's takes place between 1st January and 4th March. For details please see the notice by the church door. If you are already on the Roll, there is no need for any action but if you are not and would like to enrol (and are seventeen or over), please take a form from the ledge by the door and return it to Jill Stephenson before 4th March. If you are on the Roll of another church, you simply need to request them in writing to delete your name.

Refreshments at the Market in St Martin's Parish Hall

Once again we have been asked to provide the refreshments at the market in St Martin's Parish Hall next **Saturday 27th January, from 9.00am until 12.00pm.**

If you can help in any way either on Saturday or making cakes please contact

Thank you for your Prayers

The family that are going through severe difficulties would like to thank everyone for their prayers and let everyone know that things are now much better and the children are doing well.

APCC

The APCC will meet tomorrow Monday 7.00pm 22nd January

Please join us for refreshments:

- *in the Vicarage after the 9.30am Mass*
- *in the Vestry after the 11.00am Mass*

After Mass please put the kneelers back on the shelf. Thank you!

Deadline for notices for next bulletin – **6.00pm Thursday**

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