



# Welcome to the Parish Church of St Stephen

Sunday 13th January 2019

## The Second Sunday of Epiphany The Baptism of Christ

<b>9.30am</b>	Said Mass with Family Ministry
<b>Hymns:</b>	<b>52: S.29</b>
<b>11.00am</b>	Sung Mass with Sermon
	<b>52: 56: 57: 48</b>

### **669** *In excelso throno*

**Introit** Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; wherefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

**Psalm** My heart overfloweth with a good matter; I speak of the things which I have made concerning the King. Glory be...

**Gradual** Blessed be the Lord God, even the God of Israel: which only doeth wondrous things. *V.* The mountains also shall bring peace, and the little hills righteousness unto the people.

**Alleluia** Alleluia. Alleluia. *V.* I have found David my servant. With my holy oil have I anointed him. Alleluia.

**Offertory** Blessed be he that cometh in the Name of the Lord: we have wished you good luck, we that are of the house of the Lord. God is the Lord who hath showed us light, alleluia, alleluia.

**Communion** As many of you as have been baptised into Christ have put on Christ, alleluia.

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## Collect

Eternal Father,  
who at the baptism of Jesus  
revealed him to be your Son,  
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:  
grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit,  
that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children;  
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 - Isaiah Ch43 v1-7

<sup>43</sup>But now thus says the LORD,  
he who created you, O Jacob,  
he who formed you, O Israel:  
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;  
I have called you by name, you are mine.  
<sup>2</sup>When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.  
<sup>3</sup>For I am the LORD your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.  
I give Egypt as your ransom,  
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.  
<sup>4</sup>Because you are precious in my sight,  
and honoured, and I love you,  
I give people in return for you,  
nations in exchange for your life.  
<sup>5</sup>Do not fear, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you;  
<sup>6</sup>I will say to the north, 'Give them up',  
and to the south, 'Do not withhold';  
bring my sons from far away  
and my daughters from the end of the earth -  
<sup>7</sup>everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made.'

## New Testament Reading - Acts Ch8 v14-17

<sup>14</sup>Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. <sup>15</sup>The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit <sup>16</sup>(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). <sup>17</sup>Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

## **Gospel - Luke Ch3 v15-17 & v21-22**

<sup>15</sup>As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, <sup>16</sup>John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

<sup>21</sup>Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

### **Post Communion**

Lord of all time and eternity,  
you opened the heavens  
and revealed yourself as Father  
in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son:  
by the power of your Spirit  
complete the heavenly work of our rebirth  
through the waters of the new creation;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,.

### **Please remember in your prayers**

Judy Bobbitt, Tony Renouf, David Le Lievre,  
Hazel Greany, a young man recovering from a problem with drugs,  
Brenda Penfold, Rose, Daphne Swann, and Lyn Trieschmann.  
Pray also for Michele, Jaike and Glyn; for Melvyn Boxall;  
for Chris Bellinger.

## Services This Week

**Monday 14th January 10.00am - 'Little Treasures' Toddlers' Group**

**Tuesday 15th January 11.00am Mass - BCP**

**Wednesday 16th January 1.00pm - Funeral Jean Le Page  
7.00pm Mass**

**Thursday 17th January 11.00am - Funeral Michael Ross**

**Friday 18th January 7.00pm Mass - Amy Carmichael, founder of the  
Dohnavur Fellowship, 1951**

**Saturday 19th January 4.00pm - Taizé Service**

**20th January 2019**

**The Third Sunday after Epiphany**

**9.30am** Said Mass with Family Ministry

**11.00am** Sung Mass with Sermon



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**Saturday 19th January 4.00pm**

### Electoral Roll

The new electoral roll forms are now on the black chest at the back of church. Please take the one with your name on the top left hand corner and place in the blue folder when complete. Thank you. Jill.

(This year we have to create a completely new roll, so even if you have been on in the past you need to fill a form out this year.)

### Tax Forms

Please remember if you have given £500 or more in any way to St Stephen's Church in 2018 and are a Guernsey Tax payer please fill in the Payment to a Guernsey Registered Charity Form (available on the black chest) and return them to John Greany who has kindly offered to process them for us again this year.

This is a much needed additional source of income for the church at no cost to us individually. For any more information please speak to John or Tony.

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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