



St. Lawrence Church & St. Mary's Church Newsletter 5th January 2020

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Welcome to Church on Epiphany

Sunday 5 th January	7:45am	Holy Communion	Rev Kathryn
	10:30am	Holy Communion	Rev Cathy
	6:30pm	Evening Worship	Lay led
Tuesday 7 th January	8:45am	Tea & Toast	
	9:30am	Morning Prayer	
	2:00pm	Community Choir	
	6:15 - 7:15pm	Office Hour	
Wednesday 8 th January	11:30am	Funeral of Heather Williams at Moreton	
Thursday 9 th January	9:15am	Holy Communion	
	2:15pm	Play & Praise	
	5:30 - 6:35pm	FAB Club at the Grosvenor Centre	
Friday 10 th January	11:30am	Funeral of Irene Cannell	
Sunday 12 th January	7:45am	Holy Communion	
	10:30am	Holy Communion	
	6:30pm	Evening Worship	



THE COLLECT

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you O Lord

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.

Year's Mind

Rachael Watkins
Ernest (Ernie) Weston
John Patrick Font
Bobby (Robert) Abbotts
Samuel David Myatt (Sam)
Leonard Edward Smith
Harriet Ethel Margaret (Peggy) Burbridge
Kenneth Arthur Thomas
Reginald John Bray

CHURCH SERVICES AT MORETON

Thursday 8th January Funeral of Heather Williams
Sunday 19th January 10am Morning Worship with the Benefice Worship Team in the Community Centre
Monday 20th January Funeral of Jean Stevenson
Sunday 26th January 9am Holy Communion with Rev Kathryn

ACROSS THE BENEFICE

For enquires concerning baptisms and weddings please contact Rev Kathryn at Tuesday's Office Hour from 6:15pm to 7:15pm.
01785 822820 rev.kathrynh@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS WISHES

Thank you to everyone who has sent such lovely cards and good wishes this year and for all your support to me over the past year.
I wish you all a healthy and peaceful 2020.
Rev Kathryn

Thank you very much for all the lovely Christmas Cards and Christmas Wishes.
Rev Cathy



CHURCH NEWSLETTER

If you wish to have anything included in the Church Newsletter please let Jim McGregor have it by the Wednesday of the previous week.

Tel 01785 822156 or email jimf.mcgregor@tiscali.co.uk

VOLUNTARY CAR SERVICE

Anyone requiring the Voluntary Car Service telephone 01952 691222

PRAYER CHAIN

Please remember that we have a prayer co-ordinator who every fortnight sends around names of people to be included in our prayers. If you would like to receive this list then please contact Hayley h_a_p@hotmail.com

Please take this sheet home with you to remind you of the readings and notices and also please take one for anyone whom you know is missing from today's service and would like to feel included

CHRISTIAN FOOD BANK



Please do remember that we collect tinned food here at the back of church that is collected every two weeks and taken to the Food Bank at Stafford. Your donations are appreciated. **Please bring any tinned food to the box at the back of church – making sure the tins are well within their sell by date.** Thank you.

St Lawrence's Church

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Community Choir

Tuesday 7th January at 2 pm

Singing for Health & Happiness

This is for anyone who wants to sing:
singing brings many health benefits -
sharpens your mind & lifts your mood

So whether you have dementia, whether
you are tone deaf or can't read music -

IT DOESN'T MATTER

Just come along by yourself

or bring a friend

Come and enjoy singing together