

Welcome to All Hallows



31 December 2017

First Sunday of Christmas

11:15 Family Eucharist

*Feel free to ask the Priest before the service if you have any special intentions to be included in today's **Intercessions**.*

We do not practise Intinction (dipping the consecrated bread, or host, into the consecrated wine before consumption by the communicant) in this church. If you are unable to partake of the Common Cup, then it is legitimate to receive the host alone, since the body and blood are present in both species.

Be aware of the step-up if you use the pews on the north and south walls – we don't want anyone falling.

In case of an accident during the service, if there is a trained medic in church, they should take control and others should remain in their seats. A churchwarden should call for an ambulance if needed and the accident book should be filled in. The service will continue as normal if at all possible.

HYMN

- 1 Unto us a boy is born!
 King of all creation,
 came he to a world forlorn,
 the Lord of every nation.
- 2 Cradled in a stall was he
 with sleepy cows and asses;
 but the very beasts could see
 that he all men surpasses.
- 3 Herod then with fear was filled:
 'A prince', he said, 'in Jewry!'
 All the little boys he killed
 at Beth'lem in his fury.

- 4 Now my Mary's son, who came
 so long ago to love us,
 lead us all with hearts aflame
 unto the joys above us.
- 5 Omega and Alpha he!
 Let the organ thunder,
 while the choir with peals of glee
 doth rend the air asunder.

Gradual Moosberg (1355/1360) Percy Dearmer (1867-1936) George R Woodward (1848-1934)
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GREETING

The President says

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

The Lord be with you,

All and also with you.

Words of welcome may be said.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

**All Almighty God,
 to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
 and from whom no secrets are hidden:
 cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
 by inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
 that we may perfectly love you,
 and worthily magnify your holy name;
 through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said:

The first commandment is this:

‘Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord.

You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this:
'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

There is no other commandment greater than these.
On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

All **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

CONFESSION

Minister Hear the words of the angel to Joseph:
 'You shall call his name Jesus,
 for he will save his people from their sins.'

Therefore let us seek the forgiveness of God
through Jesus the Saviour of the world.

cf Matthew 1.21

Silence may be kept.

All **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
 we have sinned against you,
 through our own fault,
 in thought, and word, and deed,
 and in what we have left undone.
 For your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
 forgive us all that is past;
 and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
 to the glory of your name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

The President says

May the God of love
bring us back to himself,
forgive us our sins,
and assure us of his eternal love
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All **Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.**

**Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

**Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.**

Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.**

**Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth.
Amen.**

COLLECT

*The President introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray'
or a more specific bidding.*

The Collect is said.

God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love:
gather the nations to be one family,
and draw us into your holy life
through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

FIRST READING Isaiah 61.10-62.3

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my whole being shall exult in my God; for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation, he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its shoots, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to spring up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and

you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

PSALM 148

- 1 Alleluia. Praise the Lord from the heavens; *
praise him in the heights.
- 2 Praise him, all you his angels; * praise him, all his host.
- 3 Praise him, sun and moon; * praise him, all you stars of light.
- 4 Praise him, heaven of heavens, * and you waters above the heavens.
- 5 Let them praise the name of the Lord; *
for he commanded and they were created.
- 6 He made them fast for ever and ever; *
he gave them a law which shall not pass away.
- 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, * you sea monsters and all deeps;
- 8 Fire and hail, snow and mist, * tempestuous wind, fulfilling his word;
- 9 Mountains and all hills, * fruit trees and all cedars;
- 10 Wild beasts and all cattle, *
creeping things and birds on the wing;
- 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples, *
princes and all rulers of the world;
- 12 Young men and women, old and young together; *
let them praise the name of the Lord.
- 13 For his name only is exalted, *
his splendour above earth and heaven.
- 14 He has raised up the horn of his people
and praise for all his faithful servants, *
the children of Israel, a people who are near him. Alleluia.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.

SECOND READING Galatians 4.4-7

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

HYMN

- 1 Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
 the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head.
 The stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
 The little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.
- 2 The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
 But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes.
 I love thee, Lord Jesus! Look down from the sky,
 And stay by my bedside till morning is nigh.
- 3 Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay
 Close by me for ever, and love me, I pray.
 Bless all the dear children in thy tender care,
 And fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

*Sometimes attr. John Thomas Macfarland (1851-1913), Gabriel's Vineyard Songs (1892 Louisville),
Little Children's Book: For Schools and Families (1885 Philadelphia) HymnQuest ID: 50822*

GOSPEL READING Luke 2.15-21

All Alleluia! [x4]

Minister The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
and we have seen his glory.

All Alleluia! [x4]

Minister Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

After the Sermon silence may be kept.

CREED

The President says

Let us declare our faith in God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All **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 Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,**

was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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 and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,
who 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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Let us pray to Jesus our Saviour.

This response may be included:

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silence is kept.

PEACE

The President says

Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given,
and his name shall be called the Prince of Peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

Minister Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

During the hymn a collection takes place.

HYMN

- 1 While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
 all seated on the ground,
 the angel of the Lord came down,
 and glory shone around.
- 2 'Fear not,' said he (for mighty dread
 had seized their troubled mind);
 'glad tidings of great joy I bring
 to you and all mankind.
- 3 'To you in David's town this day
 is born of David's line
 a Saviour who is Christ the Lord;
 and this shall be the sign:
- 4 'The heavenly babe you there shall find
 to human view displayed,
 all meanly wrapped in swathing bands,
 and in a manger laid.'
- 5 Thus spake the seraph; and forthwith
 appeared a shining throng
 of angels praising God, who thus
 addressed their joyful song:
- 6 'All glory be to God on high,
 and on the earth be peace;
 good-will henceforth from heaven to men
 begin and never cease.'

Nahum Tate (1652-1715) HymnQuest ID: 64235

TABLE PRAYER

Word made flesh, life of the world,
in your incarnation you embraced our poverty:
by your Spirit may we share in your riches.

All **Amen.**

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you,
and also with you.

All

Lift up your hearts.

All

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All

It is right to give thanks and praise.

All glory and honour be yours
always and everywhere,
mighty creator, ever-living God.

We give you thanks and praise
for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who for love of our fallen race humbled himself,
was born of the Virgin Mary by the power of your Spirit,
and lived as one of us.

In this mystery of the Word made flesh
you have caused his light to shine in our hearts,
to give knowledge of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ.

In him we see our God made visible
and so are caught up in the love of the God we cannot see.

Therefore with all the angels of heaven
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

All

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

Lord, you are holy indeed,
the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat;
this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

Minister Great is the mystery of faith.

**All Christ has died,
Christ is risen,
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father,
calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once
for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of *[N and]* all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours,
almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

Silence may be kept.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

All	Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.	<i>(Or)</i>	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.
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BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The President breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

AGNUS DEI

All **Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.**

GIVING OF COMMUNION

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

*The people come forward to receive communion, authorized words of distribution are used and the communicant replies **Amen**.*

ANTHEM In the bleak mid-winter

Silence is kept.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son shared at Nazareth
the life of an earthly home:
help your Church to live as one family,
united in love and obedience,
and bring us all at last to our home in heaven;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **We thank you, Lord,
that you have fed us in this sacrament,
united us with Christ,
and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet
prepared for all peoples. Amen.**

NOTICES

BLESSING

Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one
things earthly and heavenly,
fill you with peace and goodwill
and make you partakers of the divine nature;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

HYMN

1 The first nowell the angel did say,
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep:

Refrain *Nowell, nowell, nowell, nowell,
Born is the King of Israel!*

2 They lookèd up and saw a star,
Shining in the east, beyond them far:
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night:

3 And by the light of that same star,
Three Wise Men came from country far;
To seek for a king was their intent,
And to follow the star wheresoever it went:

4 This star drew nigh to the north-west,
O'er Bethlehem it took its rest,
And there it did both stop and stay
Right over the place where Jesus lay.

5 Then entered in those Wise Men three,
Full reverently upon their knee,
And offered there in his presence
Both gold and myrrh and frankincense:

6 Then let us all with one accord
Sing praises to our heavenly Lord,
That hath made heaven and earth of naught,
And with his blood mankind hath bought:

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers and people depart.

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NOTICES

ALL SAINTS

WINE AND HYMNS EVENING Sat 20 January 19:00, All Saints' Church. Tickets: £3 adult, children free. If you wish to request a hymn, there is a box and some slips at the back of the church. For more information contact our organist Harrison Cook (organist.hc@aol.co.uk or 01604 786456).

ALL HALLOWS

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING CHRISTMAS QUIZ entries is 6 Jan.

INTERCESSIONS

PRAY FOR THE CHURCH of Zululand (Southern Africa), The Rt Revd Monument Makhanya; The Porvoo Churches: Chichester, Mikkeli

PRAY FOR Christian Smalley, Mick Mutlow, Atu Pele, Helen Smith, George, Nicholas Parker, Stuart, young Felix, Richard Hole, Ollie Ray, Doreen Stock, Phillip Byles, Ella Reid, Kathryn Woods, Michelle Chapel

THE HOUSEBOUND Margaret O, Doreen A, Sylvia P, Ruth S

ANNIVERSARIES Yvonne Round, Gordon Hunter, Ted Rudd, Mabel Clara Howell, Alice Coombes, Frank Linnell, Dorothy Mary Linnell, Michael Jenner Wrenn, Margaret Rosina Wittingham, Kathleen Higgs, Russell Dickens, Peter Moore, Major Clive Bishop, Vera Ward, Mollie Bradfield, Frank Toseland, Edward Greig, Gladys Foden, Agnes Cope, Cicely Wilson

REST IN PEACE Dorothy Sutton

CONTACT THE BENEFICE OFFICE

to ask if a notice might be added to the folio;
or if a name might be added to the prayer/anniversary lists.

HOW THE PRAYER LIST WORKS:

1. Please obtain the consent of the person you wish us to pray for.
2. Tell the Benefice Office whom to pray for and the reason why.
3. A name remains on the list for three months, unless discussed otherwise.

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then Resources / Weekly folio.

DIARY

Sun 31 Dec

1st Sunday of Christmas

8:00	Eucharist	All Saints
9:15	Family Eucharist	All Saints
10:00	10 O'Clock Light	All Hallows
10:30	Coffee & Catch-up	All Hallows
10:45	Bell ringing	All Hallows
11:15	Family Eucharist	All Hallows

Mon 1 Jan

Naming and Circumcision of Jesus

Bank holiday

Tue 2 Jan

Basil the Great, Gregory of Nazianzus

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Hallows
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
19:30	Bell ringing	All Hallows

Wed 3 Jan

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Saints
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
12:15	Midweek Eucharist	All Hallows

Thu 4 Jan

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Hallows
9:45	Tiny Tots	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Holy Communion BCP	All Saints
18:00	Beavers	All Saints' Hall

Fri 5 Jan

Twelfth Night (Epiphany Eve)

8:00	Morning Prayer	All Saints
9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
10:00	Open church	All Hallows
19:00	Choir practice	All Saints
19:00	Quire practice	All Hallows

Sat 6 Jan

9:30	Coffee morning	All Hallows' Hall
9:30	MU Corp. Communion	All Hallows
10:00	Open church	All Hallows

Sun 7 Jan**Epiphany**

8:00	Eucharist	All Saints
9:15	Family Eucharist	All Saints
10:00	10 O'Clock Light	All Hallows
10:30	Coffee & Catch-up	All Hallows
10:45	Bell ringing	All Hallows
11:15	Family Eucharist	All Hallows
19:30	Explorer Scouts	All Saints' Hall

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