



Sun 9 Jan 2022:
Baptism of Christ



Today's 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. **Amen.**

First Reading

Isaiah 43: 1-7

¹ 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. 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. ³

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. ⁴ 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. ⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and

All Saints (AS) ◦ St Mary's (SM) ◦ St Nicolas (SN) ◦

St Lawrence (SL) ◦ St Mary Magdalene (SMM)

Capel Court (CC)

Services next week

16th January 2022

SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

- 0800 Mass **AS**
- 0800 Eucharist **SM**
- 0900 Breakfast
Celebrate! -
Prestbury Hall
- 0915 Holy
Communion **SL**
- 0930 Sung Eucharist
SN
- 1030 Sung Mass—
streamed live
AS
- 1045 BCP Holy
Communion
SMM
- 1100 Sung Eucharist
SM
- 1830 Evening Prayer
SL
- 1830 Evening Prayer
CC
- 1830 Evening Service
AS

THIS SUNDAY'S
EVENING
READINGS

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Christ**

Evening Prayer

Isaiah 55: 1-11

Romans 6: 1-11

NEXT
SUNDAY'S
READINGS

16th Jan 2022

**2nd Sunday of
Epiphany**

Eucharist

Isaiah 62: 1-5

1 Corinthians 12:
1-11

John 2: 1-11

Evening Prayer

1 Samuel 3: 1-20

Ephesians 4 :
1-16

from the west I will gather you; ⁶ 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 - ⁷ everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

Second Reading

Acts 8.14-17

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

Alleluia, alleluia

Christ was revealed in flesh,
proclaimed among the nations
and believed in throughout the world.

Alleluia

Gospel

Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

¹⁵ As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶ 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. ¹⁷ 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.'

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²² 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.'

Those who are unable to receive communion physically, are invited to make their spiritual communion in the following words:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

Post Communion Prayer

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. **Amen.**

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Please bear with me as I learn to create these sheets, they are being created in a different programme to the one I have been used to. Thank you. Kate

For your Prayers

Those who have died recently in the Benefice:

Brenda Prosser (Swindon Village), Marlene Crook (Elmstone Hardwicke), June Cooke (Prestbury), Lawrence Ward (Prestbury), Jean Ottewell (Prestbury) .and those who mourn their deaths. In addition: Margaret Street

For those at St Mary's: Our prayers are asked for: William and his family, Roger and Gill, Mary, Revd Elizabeth and Revd Howard, Father Mike, Father Paul, Keith and Lorna, Lucy and boys, Margaret, Stephen, Gerald, Lorraine, Pamela, Sue, Val, Alexandra, Wendy, Kevin and family, John, Roy, Marion, William, Alan, Jessica, Lydia and Spencer, David, Kate, Andy and Amy, Joshua and Jon, Jess, Julia and family, Colin and his children, Jean, Mikey, Peter, Revd Chris, Diana. Eileen, Jeanne, Kai and his family, Zoe and family, Richard, Mai, Sarah, Andy, Linda, Paul, Alan, John, Kathryn and Mark, Vera and Brian, Dave and family, Lilian, Jake, Fr George, Jo and Mateo, Debbie, Linda, Jackie, Janet, Tom & family, Rita, Shelley, Jo, Lawrence, David, Liz, Christopher, Margaret, Nick, Charlotte, Phoenix, Patricia



For those at St Nicolas: Our prayers are asked for : William and his family, Revd Elizabeth and Revd Howard, Father Mike, Father Paul, Martyn, Di (Granny Owl), Zoe and family, Father Howard, April, Emma and Alec, Andy, Pastor Darwin, Fr George, Jo and Mateo, Joan

Those whose anniversary of death is today:

Francis Lidderdale, Brian Ward, Una Henderson

Those whose anniversary of death is this week:

- 10th** Mary Mills, Hilda Glover, Eileen Jones, Thomas Leach, Ethel 'Babs' Hanks, Kathleen Smith, Alfred Davies, David Everett, Rachel Franks
- 11th** Bill Morris, John Noble, Nellie Townley, Walter Peplow, Nellie Wilson, Betty Woods, Lesley Chivers
- 12th** Thomas Bugbard, Bernard Holberton, Jack Ford, priest, Nina Edwards, Maurice Wilkes, Kathleen Davis, Arthur 'Fred' Corp
- 13th** Arthur Brown, David Parker, Roland Willis, Louise Travers, Marjorie Travers, Janet Carlton, Alice Joyner, Doreen Holland
- 14th** Thomas McTigue, George Pearce, Patricia Larkin, Dorothy Mitchell, Dorothy Connelly
- 15th** Beatrice Bott, John Bowl, Leah Smart, Alick Ratnayake, Dora Holman, William Down Stella Hall, Gordon Bearman, Julia Kavanagh

For those at All Saints: Our prayers are asked for: William and his family, Sandra and her daughter, Revd Elizabeth and Revd Howard, Father Mike, Father Paul, Josephine, Mark, Nicola, June, Sasha, Shari, Baby George and his family, John, Zoe and family, Elsie, Anne, Kath, Dot, Mick, Fr George, Jo and Mateo, Michael and Caroline, Reg, Carmen, Byron and family, Amanda

Those whose anniversary of death is today:

Bob Ellis, Roy Blackmore

Those whose anniversary of death is this week:

12th Richard Lewis

13th Owen Smyth

14th Lois Lipinski

15th Ivy Mart, Winifred Clifford

For those at St Lawrence: Pray for all who suffer in mind or body: William and his family, Revd Elizabeth and Revd Howard, Father Mike, Father Paul, Rose, Jackie, Mala, Rose, John, Glenis, William, Isabella, Sofia, Kathryn and Judy, Zoe and family, Ann, Hazel, Leocadia, Fr George, Jo and Mateo, Claire

For those at St Mary Magdalene: Pray for all who suffer in mind or body:

William and his family, Lyubov, Revd Elizabeth and Revd Howard, Harold, Father Paul, Father Mike, Nerys, Soo and Ray, Kathleen, Sally, Michelle, Hilary, Zoe and family, Lilian, Fr George, Jo and Mateo, Peter

Those whose anniversary of death is this week:

14th Victor Mockford

We pray for our families, friends and neighbours; in our cycle of prayer, we remember for all those who live in Hayden Road, Hope Street and Hulbert Close (St Lawrence and St Peter's) and Hayden Lane

Please pray for those to be baptised :

Toby Hooper-Hall on Sunday 16th January at 1330 at St Lawrence

Beatrice Reeve-McKew on Sunday 23rd January at 1330 at St Mary's

Harry Sills on Sunday 23rd January at 1415 at St Mary's

If you or someone else would like to be added to the prayer list for a period of three months, speak to a member of clergy or a church warden, or contact Kate directly on

admin@northchelt.org.uk or 01242 244373.

*** TEAM NOTICES ***

THE BIG SLEEP OUT 2021

Ian has completed his Big Sleep Out, sleeping out six nights throughout December and into the New Year. He endured a range of weather, starting with it being very cold and snowing to somewhat milder weather by the end of the Sleep Out. If you would like to give online, there is a Just Giving Page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ianbigsleepout2021>. We will continue collecting money until Sunday 16th January 2022.

Ian Richings Tel: 07771 792865



The Holy Family celebrating communion at St Mary Magdalene

*** ST MARYS ***

**EVENING PRAYER AT ST MARY'S
– November 2021- February 2022**

Please note that from November 2021 until February 2022 Evening Prayer will take place at Capel Court Chapel every Sunday evening at 6.30 pm, EXCEPT the second Sunday of the month which will be Benediction at St Mary's Church. This is dependent on Covid 19 restrictions

DATES FOR DIARIES

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:
Tuesday 18th January—Tuesday 25th
January—we will be observing this week**

Sunday 23rd January: St Mary Magdalene will be celebrating Plough Sunday

Thursday 27th January: a service for Holocaust Memorial Day

**Sunday 30th January: 6.30 pm at St
Nicolas:** a team service to celebrate Candlemas

More details will follow for all the above.

Please make a note of these dates, bring a family member or a friend along.

BREAKFAST CELEBRATE! Breakfast Celebrate': an informal family service, with puppets and modern songs, beginning with breakfast on arrival, with a half hour service at 9.30 am, then coffee time. A chance to get to know local families and relax! This is held in the **Parish Hall on Bouncers Lane** (directly opposite St Mary's School).. Would love to know if you plan to come - please email matt.allison@northchelt.org.uk Hope to see you there!

*** ST LAWRENCE ***

The Swindon Village news magazine, Village News, is back in production and is available on the Parish Council's website - www.swindonparish.org.uk

Let others know what you have been doing.
Email your pictures to
news@northchelt.org.uk

LIVING IN LOVE AND FAITH (LLF)

Cheltenham Deanery are running the Living in Love and Faith course hosted by the North Cheltenham Team Ministry.

All around us we see changing understandings of human identity, changing patterns in relationships and families, changing sexual attitudes and activity. What does it mean for followers of Jesus to walk in love, faith and holiness today?



LIVING IN LOVE & FAITH

The LLF Course is a great opportunity to explore these subjects in a safe and encouraging environment.

We are offering this 5 week course starting from Feb 9th. There are 2 options for the time of the course: 10am - 12 noon or 19:30-21:30. You can also choose to join in physically or virtually. Perhaps you want to gather from friends in your own church, or make new friends by coming to St. Nicolas church Cheltenham, the choice is yours.

If you would like to find out more and book online then please check out www.northchelt.org.uk/LLF or contact Revd Tom on 07539 551 398

You can also find out more by watching this [YouTube introduction video](#) from the Church of England.

KATE'S RUNNING ADVENTURES

On 31st December I completed my December Daily Dash for Sue Ryder in memory of Diane French who lost her battle against cancer in 2020 and have raised £265.00. I have run at least 5km (3.1 miles) every day clocking up 100 miles in the month, although I did have to walk up some of the hills! It has been tough, but so good to have this focus, I even ran in a Santa outfit on Christmas Day! Thank you to everyone for your support throughout this month of running. Thank you also to those of you who have supported me financially....if anyone else feels able to sponsor me I would greatly appreciate it! <https://www.decemberdailydash.com/fundraising/kate-and-marys-fundraising-page> Thank you.



* ST NICOLAS *

RECYCLING CHRISTMAS CARDS FOR COBALT

We shall be collecting cards again at St. Nic's, in aid of Cobalt. If you wish to bring them along (bagged) on a Sunday, then we can take them on Sunday 2nd January, or if you prefer to leave the cards (and the dust!) until Twelfth Night, then please bring them on Sunday 9th Jan. If it's easier to drop them off during the week, then please ensure they are left under cover in the porch. The last day is Wednesday 12th January.

THIS WEEK'S DIARY DATES

MONDAY 10th JANUARY

William Laud, archbishop, 1645

0900-1600 Church open for Individual Private Prayer - *St Mary's*

TUESDAY 11th JANUARY

Mary Slessor, missionary, 1915

0900-1600 Church open for Individual Private Prayer - *St Mary's*

1000 Eucharist *St Nicolas*

1030 Coffee Drop In *St Mary's*

1030 Chatterbox *St Lawrence*

WEDNESDAY 12th JANUARY

Aelred, abbot, 1167

Benedict Biscop, scholar, 689

0900-1600 Church open for Individual Private Prayer - *St Mary's*

0945 Bible Study *320 Prestbury Road*

1000-1200 Church open for Individual Private Prayer - *St Lawrence*

1900 Celtic Communion Service *St Mary Magdalene*

1930 Musica Vera rehearsal *St Mary's*

THURSDAY 13th JANUARY

Hilary, bishop, teacher of the faith, 367

Kentigern (Mungo), missionary bishop, 603

George Fox, founder of the Society of Friend (Quakers) 1691

0900-1600 Church open for Private Prayer—*St Mary's*

1030 Eucharist *St Mary's*

1115 Burial of Ashes of **Joan Borrows** *St Mary's*

1115 Said Mass *All Saints*

FRIDAY 14th JANUARY

0900-1600 Church open for Individual Private Prayer *St Mary's*

1000-1200 Coffee, Chat ++ *Prestbury URC*

SATURDAY 15th JANUARY

0900-1600 Church open for Individual Private Prayer - *St Mary's*

1000-1200 Church open for Individual Private Prayer - *All Saints*

The church office is open **Mon—Fri 9-12 noon**

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YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/NorthCheltenhamTeamMinistry>

<https://www.northchelt.org.uk/online-services>