

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICE & ST BEALE'S LIVE STREAM SUNDAY SERVICE @ TEN
EPIPHANY

Isaiah 60.1-6; Psalm 72.1-7,10-14; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12

Hymns: Introduction: Light of the World – First Carol: What Child is this? – Second Carol: Brightest and Best – Third Carol: We Three Kings – Final Carol: As with gladness men of old – End Music – King of Kings

The Collect for Epiphany

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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**

LATEST NEWS:

Blessings and prayers for peace and safekeeping for 2021, with love from Jacqueline

JACQUELINE WILL BE ON LEAVE FROM MONDAY 4TH JANUARY UNTIL WEDNESDAY 13TH JANUARY –
There won't be a news sheet next week – two weeks' readings are attached

As I won't be livestreaming a service next Sunday, 10th January, you might want to join in with St Mary's Church, Frensham, who have a recorded service posted on their website on a Sunday morning - <https://www.frenshamchurches.org.uk/services.htm> and on their YouTube page - [Frensham Churches channel](#) The [attached instructions](#) explain how to find and run them on your computer, tablet or mobile phone.

- **St Peter's Church will be closed until Sunday 31st January** – in keeping with the message for us all to stay safe and stay at home where we can. I will still be livestreaming on Sunday's at 10am which will be accessible on YouTube later in the day. I will also be taking paper copies of newsheet and service sheet to those without computers....
- **Thank you** – to everyone who donated to the retiring collections over the Christmas period. We are very pleased to say that we will be sending the following donations: The Children's Society: £207.65 from the Christingle - Step by Step: £126.60 from the Crib Service – and Seeds for Development: £196.00 from 6pm Carol Service – bravo! 😊
- **A jigsaw for the winter days?** We still have a number of jigsaws left over from last year's Festival. If you'd like to do one over the Christmas and New Year break please phone Sue Davies on 793888. She can either drop one off to you or you can visit her garage and choose one for yourself.

Thank you – to Pat and Sue who have been working in the vicarage garage to tidy things up so that you can access some puzzles being stored there –

A small donation to the church would be most welcome at both venues if you are able 😊

- **MAGAZINE** – Is there anyone who might like to be Editor of the Parish Magazine – or help with the distribution of the magazine? Please contact Jacqueline if you would like to have a chat and find out more.
- **Techy Rota** – Would anyone like to join the Techy Team to help with the Sunday services – we currently have six people – and if we had a few more, it would lighten the load – it's not difficult and it's actually quite enjoyable being part of the livestream and helping to make the services go well 😊 Please speak to Jacqueline
- **Stewards / Intercessors** – It would be lovely to have some more Stewards and Intercessors to join the rota for our Sunday services. Please speak to Jacqueline if you might be able to help out...

The church will not be open for Private prayer for the month of January

This week prayers are asked for John Knight, Sascha Luckett, Paul Smith, Phil Cavalier, Zoe Perkins, Margaret Young, Paul Smith

PLEASE NOTE EARLIER TIME THIS MONTH - SUNDAY ZOOM FOR COFFEE – from 11.15AM

Please try and come along online even if you don't attend the service – it will be lovely to see you.

Just click on the link – it doesn't matter if you don't have zoom on your computer...

Join Zoom Meeting – click on the link and type in ID and Password if prompted....
(Paul can help you if you need guidance) Meeting ID: 842 0268 1292 - Password: 987103
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84202681292?pwd=Zm9yQ0Z4Sm1lelROUU5lZ1BjTVkydz09>

Morning Prayer on Zoom – Wednesdays at 9.30am (note new time...)
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/75822583530?pwd=RUIBK3BUeDBITXdoam0xNHJyZkpFZz09>
Meeting ID: 758 2258 3530 Password: 005868

Jacqueline's sermons are available online to read and listen to as a podcast and via a local telephone number - 01252 978369 & hear Rev Jacqueline's latest sermon -

Please contact Jacqueline on vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk or 716431 / 07806 775974 if you have a notice to share – or if you would like to talk about something else – her day off is a Monday....

Bishop Jo preaches this week - focusing on the Magi returning 'by another road' and inadvertently causing the slaughter of innocents. The text is Matthew 2:1-12.

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vxfybHgSCCQ&feature=youtu.be> – Transcript [here](#)

THINKING AHEAD - In the spirit of fundraising and fun

- **Save the Date** – Saturday 30th January – **Zoom to the Quiz!** 😊

NEW! ALPHA ONLINE – Begins again on **Thursday 14th January, 8pm** – **LED BY LIZZY AMBROSE & JACQUELINE** – please contact Jacqueline 01252 716431/07806 775974 – vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk to book a place. This a really nice way to gather together to explore big questions in the comfort of your home with a cuppa or tippie to hand – sessions are just over the hour long....

St Peter's WhatsApp Group – I am sure this will continue even as we return to some new 'normal' – a lovely way to share little bits and pieces of our daily lives and thoughts – Please be in touch with Jacqueline 07806 775974 or vicar@cofewrecclesham.org.uk who can pass your details to Naomi....

Isabella Schroder Trust – are looking for Trustees to join them. Schroder, the long-standing local charity provides funds for those in need within the local Wrecclesham Community. Schroder also hugely helped St Peter's with funding and financial assistance during the time of the reordering. **Please speak to Jacqueline or Jack Crawford for more information.**

Farnham Foodbank - URGENT

- Please continue to put donations in the Vicarage garage, and a member of the team will collect it regularly. **"Food urgently required:** : "UHT milk, longlife fruit juice, instant mash, instant coffee, sponge puddings and instant noodles".

Jacqueline holds Foodbank vouchers - please contact her if you or anyone you know would benefit.

Bible Readings for 3 January - Epiphany

First Reading: Isaiah 60.1-6

"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the LORD rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look about you: All assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the arm. Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come. Herds of camels will cover your land, young camels of Midian and Ephah. And all from Sheba will come, bearing gold and incense and proclaiming the praise of the LORD."

Psalm 72.(1-9)10-15

Second Reading - Ephesians 3.1-12

I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles –

Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power.

Although I am less than the least of all God's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages

past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.

Gospel - Matthew 2.1-12

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him."

When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written:

"But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for out of you will come a ruler
who will be the shepherd of my people Israel."

Then Herod called the Magi secretly and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and make a careful search for the child. As soon as you find him, report to me, so that I too may go and worship him."

After they had heard the king, they went on their way, and the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they were overjoyed. On coming to the house, they saw the child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and presented him with gifts of gold and of incense and of myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route.

Readings – 10th January 2020 – Baptism of Christ

Genesis 1.1-5

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day", and the darkness he called "night". And there was evening, and there was morning – the first day.

Psalms 29

Second Reading - Acts 19.1-7

¹While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. ²He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' ³Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.' ⁴Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.' ⁵On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ⁶When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied – ⁷altogether there were about twelve of them.

Gospel - Mark 1.4-11

⁴John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. ⁶Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. ⁸I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

⁹In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.

¹¹And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'