

Sunday 7th January readings:

Epiphany

Isaiah Ch60 v1-6

Ephesians Ch3 v1-12

Matthew Ch2 v1-12

Hymns:

85 Brightest and Best

724 We three kings

552 O worship the Lord

49 As with gladness

Collect

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.

Prayer for the week

Teach us, O Lord, what is important about life. May we not squander it on self, may we not spoil it with sin, may we not spend it on the surface, but live it by grace and with gratitude for your glory. Amen

Verse for the week

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.

Matthew Ch2 v11

St Aidan's New Verse for 2024

May your unfailing love be with us Lord,
even as we put our hope in you.

Psalm Ch33 v 22

In our intercessions, we are asked to **remember those in need:**

Katharine Watts, Julie Shute, Margaret Taylor, Tony Mabbatt, Stuart Greenway, Callum Turner, Linda Chambers, Kim Herd, Elaine Turner, Lynee Wells, John and Brenda Mangion, Violet Doyle, Dennis and Jean Pogose, Audrey Pegrum, Lee Jackson, Robert Saints, Anmarie Ayoub, Tammy Bartlett, Helen Bartlett, Muriel Hill, Lydia Petitt, Hilda Pipes, Stephen Sturrock, Mac McCarthy, Elaine Harris, Kevin Barber, Rob Symonds, Lin Edwards, Harvey Saints, Pam Searle.



Those who have recently departed:

Barbara Armitage, Sue Gray

And those whose anniversaries occur this week:

Eric Hand, Grace Walker, Joyce Jones, Daphne Bridges, Freda Bullock, Peter Tilbury

We also remember those living in residential care or are housebound and less able to get to Church:

Jean Jones, Betty Burton, Margaret Brooks, Dot Bartlett, Dulcie Moore, Beryl Bristow, Florrie Webb, Jean Lewis.

Readings for 14th January

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

1 Samuel Ch3 v1-10

Revelation Ch5 v1-10

John Ch1 v43-end