

## DIARY FOR THE WEEK

<b>Tuesday 5th January</b>	11.30am	Service at Larchfield Care Home led by Elizabeth Bryson
	8.00pm	Tuesday Club in the Parish Centre Quiz Evening with Bring & Buy
<b>Wednesday 6th</b>	10.00am	<b>Eucharist</b> with refreshments Celebrant: Fr Neil
<b>Friday 8th</b>	10.00am	<b>Tiny Saints Toddler Group in the Parish Centre</b>
<b>Sunday 10th</b>	<b>THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST</b>	
	8.00am	<b>Holy Communion (BCP)</b> Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Jeremy
	10.00am	<b>Parish Eucharist &amp; Café Church</b> Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Neil Café Church: Fr Jeremy Crèche & Young Saints
	6.00pm	<b>Evensong &amp; Benediction</b>

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## PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS BOYNE HILL

**Sunday 3rd JANUARY 2016 EPIPHANY**

*Please take this pew sheet home with you to look at the readings,  
and to remind you of the events taking place.*

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**8.00am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)** Collect & Readings as below.

*Celebrant:* Fr Neil

*Preacher:* Elizabeth Bryson

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**10.00am THE PARISH EUCHARIST**

**Service:** *The Parish Eucharist at Epiphany*

**Hymns:** *Hymns Ancient & Modern*

*Celebrant:* Fr Neil

Organ Prelude

Gelobet seist du, Jesu Christ

*J S Bach*

**Opening Hymn**

**49 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness**

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.

**Amen**

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 60: 1—6

*Nick Kirk*

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.

EPISTLE

Ephesians 3: 1—12

*David Emerson*

I, Paul, am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles – for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God

who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

**Gradual Hymn**                      **48 Earth has many a noble city**

GOSPEL                                  Matthew 2: 1—12  
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.

Sermon                                  Elizabeth Bryson

**Offertory Hymn**                      **51 As with gladness men of old**

**1. We three Kings of Orient are;**  
bearing gifts we traverse afar,  
field and fountain, moor and mountain,  
following yonder star.

*O Star of wonder, star of night,  
star with royal beauty bright,  
westward leading, still proceeding,  
guide us to thy perfect light.*

2. Born a King on Bethlehem plain,  
gold I bring, to crown him again,  
King for ever, ceasing never,  
over us all to reign.

3. Frankincense to offer have I,  
Incense owns a Deity nigh.  
Prayer and praising, all men raising,  
worship him, God most high.

4. Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume  
breathes a life of gathering gloom;  
sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying,  
sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

5. Glorious now behold him arise,  
King and God and sacrifice;  
alleluia, alleluia,  
earth to heaven replies.

*John Henry Hopkins (1822-1900)*

**Communion Hymn**                      **52 The people that in darkness sat**

**Closing Hymn**                      **47 Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,**

Organ Postlude                      Allein Gott in der höh sei ehr      *G F Kaufmann*

Refreshments will be served at the back of the Church  
thanks to June Crouch & Pat Church

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6.00pm      *Carols for the Epiphany at St Luke's*

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*Fr Jeremy's Notes*

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Christmas celebration services.

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**OTHER NOTICES**

**Tuesday Club 5th January 8.00pm in the Parish Centre**

Everyone is welcome to come to what is turning out to be our very popular annual quiz evening brilliantly organised by Doug & Stella Horne. There is also an opportunity to bring along any Christmas gifts that weren't quite what you wanted and see if other people's cast-offs are more to your taste on our Bring & Buy Stall.

**Brenda Illott**

**Mothers' Union Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2.30pm in the Parish Centre**

Our speaker today will be Jean Vaughan, who is our Area Vice President from the Oxford Diocese. She would like to talk to us about a possible project for our Branch, and it would be good to have everyone present to give her a warm welcome. Also, please be aware that this is an early reminder that annual subscriptions will be payable by the end of March at our AGM, so please note this in your diary! We look forward to seeing you for a good start to the New Year.

**Wendy Channon**

***New for 2016***  
***Space For God on Thursday***

In our busy lives it can sometimes be difficult to make ***Space for God***. Why not join us for one of our new Thursday evening ***Space for God*** services from 7.00pm to 7.30pm starting on Thursday 14th January. Each week we'll be using a different style of worship which we hope will offer you the opportunity to find ***Space for God***. On 14th January it will be ***Praying the Rosary***.

More information on our website, pew sheets, or speak to any of the PMC Steering Team.