



Parish Eucharist

for the Third Sunday of Epiphany

26th January 2025

10am



ST MARGARET'S
PUTNEY

Welcome to St Margaret's. The church operates a hearing loop system. Please turn your hearing aid to the "T" position. Please take a moment before our service begins to pray. A voluntary and introit may be played.

As the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Please stand to sing the hymn:

**Brightest and best
of the sons of the morning,
dawn on our darkness
and lend us thine aid;
Star of the East,
the horizon adorning,
guide where our infant
Redeemer is laid.**

**Cold on his cradle
the dewdrops are shining,
low lies his head
with the beasts of the stall.
Angels adore him
in slumber reclining,
Maker and Monarch
and Saviour of all.**

**Say, shall we yield him,
in costly devotion,
odours of Edom
and offerings divine,
gems of the mountain
and pearls of the ocean,
myrrh from the forest
and gold from the mine?**

**Vainly we offer
each ample oblation,
vainly with gifts
would his favour secure.
Richer by far
is the heart's adoration,
dearer to God
are the prayers of the poor.**

**Brightest and best
of the sons of the morning,
dawn on our darkness
and lend us thine aid;
Star of the East,
the horizon adorning,
guide where our infant
Redeemer is laid.**

EPIPHANY

Reginald Heber 1783-1826

J F Thrupp 1827-67

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Please be seated for the welcome.

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 the inspiration of
your Holy Spirit that we may
perfectly love you
and worthily magnify
your holy name; through
Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

All **Almighty God,**
our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour in
thought and word and deed:
through negligence, through
weakness, through our own
deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent
of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son
Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve
you in newness of life to the
glory of your name. Amen.

Almighty God, who forgives
all who truly repent, have
mercy upon you, pardon and
deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in
all goodness and keep you in
life eternal; through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Please stand to sing the Gloria.

**Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

**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, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

**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, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

**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, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest.**

The Collect

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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.

All **Amen.**

Please be seated.

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

A reading from the book of the prophet Nehemiah.

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could

understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen,' lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep;' for all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.'

The reader concludes:

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

**Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here;
come, bow before him now
with reverence and fear.
In him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One, is here.**

**Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
he burns with holy fire,
with splendour he is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.**

**Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place;
he comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister his grace.
No work too hard for him,
in faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.**

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David J. Evans b. 1957

Arranged Michael Stoddart b. 1961

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

A reading from the first letter
to the Corinthians

Just as the body is one and has many members and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ; for in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,' that would not make it any less a part of the body; and if the ear would say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,' that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you,' nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour and our less respectable members are treated with greater

respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

The reader concludes:

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Gospel:

Alleluia.

Alleluia.

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia.

Luke 4:14-21

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

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

The congregation sings:

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

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on

him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Gospel will be followed by a voluntary.

The Sermon

Please be seated.

Let us stand to 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

Please be seated.

Let us pray for the whole church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

The response is:

Lord, in your mercy,
All **hear our prayer.**

The intercessions conclude:

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



The Peace

The congregation stands.

Our Saviour Christ is the
Prince of Peace. Of the
increase of his government
and of peace there shall be
no end.

The peace of the Lord
be always with you.
All **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another
a sign of peace.

The peace is shared.

The Collection

- Please fill in a gift-aid envelope if you are a UK tax payer.
- Contactless Machines are available at the back of church if you wish to donate by card
- You can go straight to our secure giving page by scanning the QR code:

O for a thousand tongues to sing
my dear Redeemer's praise,
my dear Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King,
the triumphs of his grace...

Jesus! the name that charms our fears,
that bids our sorrows cease;
that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner's ears,
'tis life and health and peace...

He speaks; and, list'ning to his voice,
new life the dead receive,
new life the dead receive;
the mournful broken hearts rejoice,
the humble poor believe...

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb,
your loosened tongues employ;
your loosened tongues employ;
ye blind, behold your Saviour come;
and leap, ye lame, for joy...

My gracious Master and my God
assist me to proclaim
assist me to proclaim
and spread through all the earth abroad
the honours of thy name...

LYNGHAM

C Wesley 1707-1788, T Jarman 1776-1861

Prayer over the Gifts

Gracious God, accept the offering of your Church, the hearts of your people joined in praise and thanksgiving, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

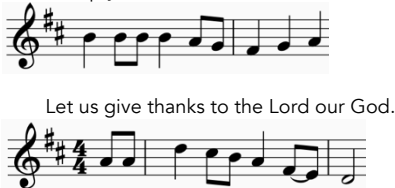
All things come from you,
All **and of your own do we give you.**

The Eucharistic Prayer



The Lord be with you And also with you

Lift up your hearts We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

The congregation is seated.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord; for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the Magi the King of all the world was revealed to

the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy. 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:

**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.**

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:

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

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: 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.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

All Great is the mystery of faith.
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favour on your people, gather us in your

loving arms and bring us with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Margaret and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

Silence is held.

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.**

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.**

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.

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 Communion

- All baptised Christians are welcome to receive Communion.
- The sacrament is distributed from front and back of church. Please follow the sides-persons instructions.
- If you would like a blessing please bow your head to indicate this.

An anthem may be sung.

Prayers after Communion

Almighty Father, whose Son
our Saviour Jesus Christ is the
light of the world: may your
people, illumined by your word

and sacraments, shine with the
radiance of his glory, that he
may be known, worshipped
and obeyed to the ends of the
earth; for he is alive and reigns,
now and for ever.

All Amen.

All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of
your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you
our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of
your Spirit to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen.

The Notices are given.

The children present their work.

Please stand for our closing hymn.

O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my Friend;
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.

O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
my master and my friend.

O let me see thy footmarks
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone;
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heaven receive me,
my Saviour and my friend.

HATHEROP CASTLE

John Bode 1816-74

Geoffrey Beaumont 1903-1970

Arr. Norman Warren

The Blessing & Dismissal

Let us pray for God's blessing.

The Lord be with you.

All **And also with you.**

Christ the Son of God perfect in
you the image of his glory and
gladden your hearts with the
good news of his kingdom; and
the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and remain
with you always.

All **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve
the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ.
Amen.**

A voluntary may be played.