

FAMILY COMMUNION

The Second Sunday of Epiphany

Sunday 16 January 2022



THE CHURCH OF ST ANDREW, SERVING
CHARVIL, SONNING AND SONNING EYE

Everyone Welcome!

We continue to respectfully request that if you or anyone in your household is exhibiting Covid-19 symptoms, or has tested positive, that you do not attend St Andrew's until recovered.

Please wear facemasks in church in accordance with the latest Government guidelines.

You will be guided by the welcome team to receive communion at the appropriate time. We cannot administer wine and there can be no kneeling at the rail so please come up in single file to the priest who will stand on the chancel step. No hand to head contact will take place for blessings and the priest will not say anything as the wafer is placed onto the hand. We have gluten free communion wafers for those with gluten allergies. Please let one of the welcome team know if you would like to receive one at communion.

If you are hard of hearing, we have a hearing loop in church. Please turn your hearing aid to the appropriate position to use it. Large print copies of this service booklet are available.

Please would parents ensure that their children stay with them at all times. The children's area remains closed and unfortunately there will be no toys available. Sunday Club and STAY aren't running today as it is Family Communion and the children stay in church. They run on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of each month in the Ark (Sunday Club) and the St Sarik Room (STAY).

At the end of the service please leave via the south door. If you are unable to manage the steps please exit via the north door.

Please do join us for refreshments after the service in The Ark.

*The responses and prayers in **BOLD** type are said by all*

Please stand for the hymn (A&M99)

Hail to the Lord's Anointed,
Great David's greater Son!
Hail, in the time appointed,
His reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
To set the captive free;
To take away transgression,
And rule in equity.

2. He comes with succour speedy
To those who suffer wrong;
To help the poor and needy,
And bid the weak be strong;
To give them songs for sighing,
Their darkness turn to light,
Whose souls, condemned and dying,
Were precious in his sight.

3. He shall come down like showers
Upon the fruitful earth;
And love, joy, hope, like flowers,
Spring in his path to birth:
Before him on the mountains
Shall peace, the herald, go;
And righteousness, in fountains,
From hill to valley flow.

4. Kings shall bow down before him,
And gold and incense bring;
All nations shall adore him,
His praise all people sing;
To him shall prayer unceasing
And daily vows ascend;
His kingdom still increasing,
A kingdom without end.

5. O'er every foe victorious
He on his throne shall rest,
From age to age more glorious,
All-blessing and all-blest.
The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove;
His name shall stand forever,
His changeless name of love.

Welcome in the name of Christ.

God's grace, mercy and peace be with you.

And also with you.

Please sit for the welcome and notices

Prayer of Preparation

**Faithful one, whose word is life: come with saving power
to free our praise, inspire our prayer and shape our lives
for the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Prayers of Penitence

God the Father forgives us in Christ and heals us by the Holy Spirit.
Let us therefore put away all anger and bitterness, all slander and malice,
and confess our sins to God our redeemer. *cf Ephesians 4:30,32*

A time of quiet is kept

Christ came in humility to share our lives: forgive our pride.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Christ came with good news for all people: forgive our silence.
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Christ came in love to a world of suffering: forgive our self-centredness.
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May the God of love and power forgive you and free you from your
sins, heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, and raise you to new life in
Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Please stand to sing the Gloria

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

**Glory to God in the highest and peace to his people on earth;
Lord God, heav'nly King, almighty God and Father,
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.**

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

Please remain standing for the Collect

The Collect for the Second Sunday of Epiphany

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

John 2: 1-11 (New International Version)

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, 'They have no more wine.'

'Woman, why do you involve me?' Jesus replied. 'My hour has not yet come.'

His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'

Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from eighty to a hundred and twenty litres.

Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water'; so they filled them to the brim.

Then he told them, 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.'

They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realise where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, 'Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.'

What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

The Sermon

Please stand for the hymn (A&M101)

In our darkness light has shone

Alleluia,
Still today the light shines on,
Alleluia;
Word made flesh in human birth,
Alleluia,
Light and Life of all the earth,
Alleluia!

2. Christ the Son incarnate see,
Alleluia,
By whom all things came to be,
Alleluia;
Through the world his splendours shine,
Alleluia,
Full of grace and truth divine,
Alleluia!

3. All who now in him believe,
Alleluia,
Everlasting life receive,
Alleluia;
Born of God and in his care,
Alleluia,
We his name and nature share,
Alleluia!

4. Christ a child on earth appears,
Alleluia,
Crown of all creation's years,
Alleluia;
God's eternal Word has come,
Alleluia,
He shall lead his people home,
Alleluia!

Please remain standing

The Creed

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Please sit or kneel.

*The end of each prayer concludes with 'Lord, in your mercy' to which the response is: **Hear our prayer.***

And at the end of the prayers: 'Merciful Father' to which the response is:
**Accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

Christ is our peace. He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.
We meet in his name and share his peace.

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

Preparation of the Table

Hymn (A&M510)

1. Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown, will you let my name be known,
Will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

2. Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare? Should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?

3. Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?

Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean and do such as this unseen,
And admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

4. Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?

Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
Through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?

5. Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.

Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show;
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have
this bread to set before you, which earth has given and human hands have
made. It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation: through your goodness we have this wine to set before you, fruit of the vine and work of human hands. It will become for us the cup of salvation. **Blessed be God for ever.**

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.

Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Saviour. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.**

**Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest, 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.

We sing:

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 St. Andrew 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.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.
Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in one bread.

Giving of Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.
Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

We sing:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us, have mercy on us, have mercy.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Have mercy on us, have mercy on us, have mercy.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
Grant us peace, grant us peace.**

If you are a communicant member of any Christian Church you are welcome to take communion with us, or if you would prefer a blessing please bring this booklet with you when you are invited to the communion rail.

During communion the choir will sing the hymn "Let all mortal flesh keep silent" (A&M 452) and the anthem "Fairest Lord Jesus (How)

Prayer after Communion

Merciful God, you have called us to your table and fed us with the bread of life. Draw us and all people to serve your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

Please stand

THE DISMISSAL

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. **Amen.**

Hymn (A&M104)

1. Songs of thankfulness and praise,

Jesus, Lord, to thee we raise,
Manifested by the star
To the sages from afar,
Branch of royal David's stem,
In thy birth at Bethlehem.
Anthems be to thee addressed
God in man made manifest.

3. Manifest in making whole
Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
Manifest in valiant fight,
Quelling all the devil's might;
Manifest in gracious will,
Ever bringing good from ill.
Anthems be to thee addressed,
God in man made manifest.

2. Manifest at Jordan's stream,
Prophet, Priest, and King supreme;
And at Cana, wedding-guest,
In thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in power divine,
Changing water into wine:
Anthems be to thee addressed
God in man made manifest.

4. Sun and moon shall darkened be,
Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;
Christ will then like lightning shine,
All will see his glorious sign;
All will then the trumpet hear,
All will see the Judge appear;
Thou by all wilt be confessed,
God in man made manifest.

5. Grant us grace to see thee, Lord,
Mirrored in thy holy word;
May we imitate thee now
And be pure, as pure art thou
That we like to thee may be
At thy great Epiphany;
And may praise thee, ever blest,
God in man made manifest.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Organ Voluntary: Andante and Chorale (E.A.Dicks)

If you would like prayer please see the Prayer ministry team in the side chapel after the service.

Parish News

Messy Church TODAY - Messy Church is being held today from 3pm - 4.30pm in the Ark. The theme is Hope and there will be lots of fun activities, a story, singing and a meal together. If you have younger children and would like to come along, we would love to welcome you!

Christingle Service - 10.30am Sunday February 4th - we shall be holding our first Christingle service after a break of a couple of years due to Covid. Children and young people are invited to bring a Christingle to the service (details of how to make one are shown in the February issue of the Parish Magazine or contact the church office for more details). Our collection at that service will be for the Children's Society.

Choral Evensong to mark the 70th anniversary of the Queen's Accession: We shall re-launch our monthly evensongs (post covid) with a special service honouring Her Majesty on Sunday February 6th at 4pm, followed by a tea in the Ark.

Sunday at Six will take place next Sunday at 6pm in the Ark. It's a time for singing modern worship songs, listening to Biblical teaching and a time for prayer. Please do join us.

Rendezvous Lunch Club: Bookings are open for the lunch on Tuesday 25th January. You can book by calling the parish office or emailing office@sonningparish.org.uk The menu will have a Burns Night theme - sausages or (vegetarian sausages) with neeps and tatties followed by fruit crumble. The cost of the lunch is £10, including coffee afterwards.

Dates for your diary:

April 16th at 2pm: Easter Saturday celebration with egg hunt/egg and spoon races/bouncy castle, BBQ etc.

June 5th at 11am: A Platinum celebration for Her Majesty the Queen with the 103rd Archbishop of Canterbury preaching.

November 20th at 10:30am: A Parish Confirmation service with the Bishop of Oxford, also celebrating the 800th anniversary of the first recorded Vicar of Sonning in 1222.

Prayer Team and Pastoral Visiting

If you have a person or situation that you would like the prayer team to pray for, please email brief details to prayer@sonningparish.org.uk
The sick are now prayed for weekly on the Parish Prayer Bulletin rather than during services for reasons of confidentiality.

We remember any who have died who are known to us:

Margaret Moore

We remember any whose anniversaries fall around this time:

Karen Prince, Kathleen Oxtoby, Julia Higgs

The Week Ahead

Tuesday 18 January

9.30am	Morning Prayer	Church
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Wednesday 19 January

10.00am	Holy Communion	The Ark
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Friday 21 January

5.45pm	Junior choir practice	St Sarik
6.45pm	Senior choir practice	St Sarik
6.45pm	STAY on Friday	The Ark

Sunday 23 January

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Church
10.30am	Parish Eucharist	Church
6.00pm	Sunday at Six	The Ark

Parish Contacts

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The Parish Office is open from 9am - 1pm Monday - Friday