

The Parish Church of
St Mary the Virgin, Great Shelford



Charity No: 245456

Sunday 16th January, 2022 - The Second Sunday after Epiphany
10:00 Parish Communion

Opening hymn 148: The God of Abraham praise (omit vv 2, 3, 5)

- 1. The God of Abraham praise
Who reigns enthroned above,
Ancient of everlasting days,
And God of love:
To him uplift your voice,
At whose supreme command
From earth we rise and seek the joys
At his right hand.**

- 4. There dwells the Lord our King,
The Lord our Righteousness,
Triumphant o'er the world and sin,
The Prince of Peace:
On Sion's sacred height
His kingdom he maintains,
And glorious with his saints in light
For ever reigns.**

- 6. Before the great Three-One
They all exulting stand,
And tell the wonders he has done
Throughout the land:
The listening spheres attend,
And swell the growing fame,
And sing in songs which never end
The wondrous name.**

- 7. The God who reigns on high
The great archangels sing,
And 'Holy, holy, holy' cry
'Almighty King!
Who was, and is the same,
And evermore shall be:
Eternal Father, great I AM,
We worship thee.'**

- 8. The whole triumphant host
Give thanks to God on high:
'Hail, Father, Son and Holy Ghost'
They ever cry:
Hail, Abraham's God and mine!
(I join the heavenly lays)
All might and majesty are thine,
And endless praise.**

https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=the+god+of+abraham+praise

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, Heav'nly 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. *David Thorne*

Collect:

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

First Reading: Isaiah 62. 1 - 5

The Lord says this: For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12. 1 - 11

Concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Gradual hymn 345: Christ is the King

- 1. Christ is the King, O friends rejoice!
Brothers and sisters, with one voice
Make all men know he is your choice: *Alleluya.***
- 2. The first Apostles round them drew
Thousands of faithful men and true,
Sharing a faith for ever new: *Alleluya.***
- 3. Then magnify the Lord and raise
Anthems of joy and holy praise
For Christ's brave saints of ancient days: *Alleluya.***
- 4. O Christian women, Christian men,
All the world over, seek again
The Way disciples followed then: *Alleluya.***

5. Christ through all ages is the same;
Place the same hope in his great name,
With the same faith his word proclaim: *Alleluya*.
6. Let Love's unconquerable might
God's people everywhere unite
In service to the Lord of light: *Alleluya*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TyMBxqovByc>

Gospel: John 2. 1 - 11

There was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Offertory hymn 49: Brightest and best of the sons of the morning

1. 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.
2. Cold on his cradle the dew-drops 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.
3. 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 or gold from the mine?
4. 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.
5. 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.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Q5A4TctOn0>

Sanctus/Benedictus:

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. *David Thorne*

Agnus Dei:

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. *David Thorne*

Communion hymn: May the mind of Christ my Saviour

- 1 **May the mind of Christ my Saviour
Live in me from day to day,
By his love and pow'r controlling
All I do and say.**
- 2 **May the word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour,
So that I may triumph only
In his saving pow'r.**
- 3 **May the peace of God my Father
Rule my life in ev'rything,
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing.**
- 4 **May the love of Jesus fill me
As the waters fill the sea,
Him exalting, self abasing,
This is victory.**
- 5 **May I run the race before me,
Strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus,
As I onward go.**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gE5fOXSymBc>

Post Communion Prayer:

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Final hymn 394: Let all the world in every corner sing

1. **Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!
The heavens are not too high,
His praise may thither fly;
The earth is not too low,
His praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!**
2. **Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!
The Church with psalms must shout,
No door can keep them out;
But above all, the heart
Must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing,
My God and King!**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xvYUV8PFQa8>

Please refer any pastoral concerns for members of the congregation or members of the local community to any member of the Ministry team including our Co-ordinator for Pastoral Services, Mrs Frances Simms. Please pray for the sick, frail, housebound and those in care. Please let the Vicar know about all cases of sickness and others for whom we should pray.

SUPPORTING OUR CHURCH

Dear Friends,

As you may by now be aware, even before the pandemic we were concerned about the increasing financial deficit we have been facing for several years. The PCC has now, regrettably, decided (in consultation with the Diocese) to reduce our regular Ministry Share contribution by 50%, to £26,895 this year, in order to halt the ongoing drain on our reserves. This will balance the 2021 budget, but without a substantial increase in income we may well face the same decision in future years, or the money will run out. This decision has not been taken lightly, as it has serious implications for the future life of the parish; Ministry Share goes towards the costs of stipendiary ministry, and failure to meet our Share in full, as well as passing an additional financial burden on to the other parishes in the Deanery, will impact on the provision of a full-time vicar in Great Shelford after Simon's retirement. We would welcome any additional Stewardship support to enable us to meet the full Share asked for by the Diocese, in this and future years, in order to maintain a stipendiary vicar.

Donations can be made by:

- Parish Giving Scheme (PCC's preferred option)
- Standing Order or Bank transfer
- Donating via the Giving Page on website <https://www.stmarysgreatshelford.org/>
- Traditional envelope donations (posted through the vicarage letterbox, or left in the collection box at the back of church). Please write your PIN on the envelope, if you have one.

To help further, at no cost to yourself, please Gift Aid your donations if you are able. Our Treasurer Pat Brown is happy to assist with any of the above. Contact details: phone 07811 563597 or email: patbrown2591@yahoo.co.uk .

Thank you very much for all your support.

ST. MARY'S GREAT SHELFORD - WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Covid Precautions: As you will have seen in the media in recent days, we are now in the grip of a fourth wave of Covid caused by the Omicron variant. The following simple guidance should help to reduce the risks of passing on the variant in the days ahead:-

- **Face masks** - the wearing of face masks in church is again now **compulsory**.
- **Lateral flow testing** - take a simple lateral flow test at home before coming into contact with others.
- **Symptoms** - if you have **any** cold-like symptoms, it would be wise not to attend.

By following these guides we can help ensure that we reduce the risks for others and for ourselves.

Sincere thanks from Simon & Mary: Thank you for the very kind gifts presented on Sunday. We shall treasure Anthony's picture of St Mary's - it will be a lasting memory of our nearly nine years in the village. The wine will be enjoyed in due course (!) and we will purchase something for our new home with the kind presentation cheque. I have already started my role and we will still be resident in the Vicarage until the end of Feb. so you will see us around the community for a few weeks yet.

Echoing the words from the Epiphany Service last Sunday, we wish Simon and Mary Farewell and Godspeed, as they move and begin their new venture. We are thankful for all that they have accomplished and shared with us over the past years.

Drive in Carol Service: The total amount taken on the evening of the Drive in Carols was £468. The Card reader fees totalled £7.90 and this element is covered by the Feast. The collection will be split between the Mobile Wardens Scheme and the Shelford & Stapleford Youth Initiative (SSYI). Thank you to everyone involved in an enjoyable evening to benefit these schemes.

The Pilgrim house group: The Pilgrim house group will be meeting on Zoom on Tuesdays at 1pm for the next few weeks due to the rising numbers of Covid infections and concern for those who need to shield.

Next week we shall be discussing Revelations 21 1-7 and John 2 1-11

9 people attended our meeting on 11 January when we thought about good practice for the new year and ways of finding God's peace.

Our Lent study book will be Embracing Justice by Isabelle Hamley.

Please email Anne if you would like a copy.



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers



CONNECTIONS

reflection.

Daily HOPE: This is an excellent national Church of England initiative for those who are especially isolated and do not have access to the internet. **Daily HOPE** is a freephone line, available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044**. Callers will hear a special greeting from the Archbishop of Canterbury before being able to choose from a range of options, including Prayer During the Day and Night Prayer updated daily, from Common Worship, and a recording of the Church of England's weekly national online service. A section called Hymn Line will also offer callers a small selection of hymns, updated daily. An option entitled 'Hymns We Love', provides a hymn and

**We are delighted to welcome visitors to St Mary's for private prayer and reflection.
Sunday 16th January, 2022**

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00 Parish Communion
18.30 Evening Prayer by Zoom

Sunday 23rd January, 2022

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10:00 Parish Communion
18.30 Evening Prayer by Zoom

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Applications for baptisms, marriages and the calling of Banns of marriage should be made please to the Parish Administrator. **16/01/22**