

**News from LIFC—Upcoming events**  
**Exploring Scriptures of World Faiths**

New 6 week course commencing on Wednesday January 10th at 2.00pm looking at the origins, use and interpretation of world scriptures. There course runs for 90 minutes for 6 Wednesday afternoons.

**Used Christmas Cards and Wreaths**

Lesley would love any old Christmas cards to make into new Christmas cards for next year. Rhona would love any used Christmas wreaths as the base of each wreath can be used again. Please bring either in for collection here!



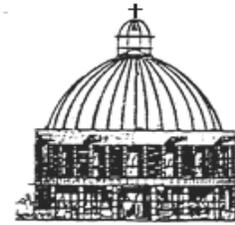
**For our Prayers**— For peace, for all who are alone, Maurice, Rev. Jane , Gale, Yaa, Estelle, John Q, Floret, Trish, Cleo, Bob, Marguerite and Ruth **For those who have died recently and those whose anniversary of death falls at this time** including Sidney Hinks and Don Hawkes.

**Services during the week 7 January 2017**

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| <b>Monday</b>     | <b>8.30am</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel   |
| <b>Tuesday</b>    | <b>8.30am</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel   |
| <b>Wednesday</b>  | <b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel<br><b>7.30pm</b> Said Mass in Trinity Chapel         |
| <b>Thursday</b>   | <b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel  |
| <b>Friday</b>     | <b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel<br><b>10am</b> My Move<br><b>2.30pm</b> Tea and Chat |
| <b>Saturday</b>   | <b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel  |
| <b>Sunday 14</b>  | <b>8.30am</b> Morning Prayer in Trinity Chapel  |
| <b>Epiphany 2</b> | <b>9.30am</b> Sung Mass with Sunday School  |

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# St Anne with Holy Trinity, Brondesbury

*Confidently sharing the love of Christ*

**Sunday 7th January 2018**

**Epiphany**

**HYMNS TODAY** - 409, 490, 805, 89 and 705

**President:** Fr Laurence **Preacher** Fr Laurence

*Welcome to St Anne's today—it is great to have you with us. St Anne's is the local Church of England parish church and we are a very diverse group of people. We hope that you will feel welcome in our worship today. If you are new, please do say hello—we would love to get to know you. If you are unsure where to find something, or about what is going on, please do ask. Our worship style is quite formal, but we hope relaxed—as we come to worship God in our midst. Please do join us for morning tea after the service.*



**Today we celebrate the Feast of Epiphany—when the three Magi bring their gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh and present them to the Christ Child. Gold—which has been purified in the fire and so reminds us to be pure in our living. Frankincense—incense—a sign of our prayers rising daily unto God. Myrrh—an ointment to bring healing or to anoint those who are dying—a reminder of the healing God offers to each of us.**

*The President welcomes us and we stand to sing our opening carol 409 as the bell is rung.*

In the name of the + Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, **Amen**

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you**

*We make our confession for those things which separate us from God and from one another.*

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.

*Silence is kept.*

**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.**

*We sing together.*

**Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy,  
Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy,  
Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.**

*We are reminded of God's forgiveness.*

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. **Amen.**

*Confident in God's forgiveness we sing the Gloria during which 3 people carry the Kings for the front of the church..*

### **Giving Tree**

A huge thank you to all who made contributions under the giving tree— to St Mungo's, Laurence's Larder and also to St Anne's. We were very generous as a community and it will assist us in our further mission during 2018.

### **Finance—St Anne's**

Our current monthly target for congregational giving is **£2180**. At present we are hitting our target each month. If you are new to St Anne's, or have not previously thought about it, please consider setting up a Standing Order to manage your giving. Forms and information are available in the entrance, or you can speak with Michael or a member of the PCC.

### **Laurence's Larder and Food Bank**

The Larder is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 10am-1.30pm. Volunteers are also to help with preparation between 10- 1pm on Wednesdays. We are still asked to bring in a can a week. We have also been asked to consider if we could choose one type of food. We have been asked if we might be the 'tinned fish' church!

### **Ambassadors for Christ**

Daily prayer updates at [www.ambassadors2020.org](http://www.ambassadors2020.org). Towards the end of January we are going to relaunch our 2 minute slot. Once again we are looking for people to share some of their experiences outside of Sunday morning. We invite you to reflect on how you spend your week, and how this informs your faith. We are looking for volunteers to share during the coming month, please speak to Mo C!

### **Sharing in our Mission**

During 2017 St Anne's had a commitment to 3 Mission priorities—Laurence's Larder, Salusbury World and Gambia Project. Next Sunday the 14th January, Stephen Haggard will be providing us with an update on work that has been taking place in Gambia ahead of their next visit in February. This means that all three groups will have shared with us in the past 12 months.

### **The season of Christmas and Epiphany**

Today we move to the season of Epiphany and the 12 days of Christmas end and the Magi arrive. Today we take down our Christmas trees, but our crib remains until the Feast of Candlemas on the 2nd February which we observe on the 4th.

*We listen to the notices about our community life.*

*We receive God's Blessing (please stand)*

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Christ, who by his incarnation gathered into one things earthly and heavenly, fill you with peace and goodwill and make you partakers of the divine nature; and the blessing of God almighty, the (+) Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We sing our final hymn 705 as the clergy depart.*

*Please do join us for morning tea downstairs!*

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### **Our Community Life Together /Dates for your Diary**

#### **Happy New Year**

May God bless each of us in the coming year and in our life as a parish together.

#### **A Huge Thank you!!**

A huge thank you to everyone for all your help in making a Advent and Christmas celebrations such a success. For everyone who arranged and cleaned, delivered leaflets, cooked and served food and drink, helped in services, welcomed our guests and those who encouraged us. It really was team effort and we should be very proud of what we achieved. Thank you—you were amazing. In the 24hours of Christmas over 120 adults and 40 children worshiped with us—and that is something to celebrate.

#### **And Thank you...**

Mo Christine and Fr Laurence would like to wish you a happy and safe New Year . We pray that 2018 will bring you hope . We would like to express our thanks for the cards and wishes we have received during the Christmas Season.

**Refrain: 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. Refrain:**

**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. Refrain:**

**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. Refrain.**

*The Magi/Kings are placed in the crib as we say*

*First King is placed:*

Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe: to you be praise and glory for ever. As gold in the furnace is tried and purified seven times in the fire, so purify our hearts and minds that we may be a royal priesthood acceptable in the service of your kingdom.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*Second King is placed:*

At the offering of incense Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe: to you be praise and glory for ever. As our prayer rises up before you as incense, so may we be presented before you with penitent hearts and uplifted hands to offer ourselves in your priestly service.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

*Third King is placed:*

At the offering of myrrh Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe: to you be praise and glory for ever. As you give medicine to heal our sickness and the leaves of the tree of life for the healing of the nations, so anoint us with your healing power that we may be the first-fruits of your new creation.

**Blessed be God for ever.**

### **The Collect**

*The Priest introduces a period of silent prayer and then sings a prayer*

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.**

*We pray for the children as they leave us for their Sunday School lessons.*

### **Liturgy of the Word** (please sit)

**Our** first reading comes from the Prophet of Isaiah. The liturgical season that Isaiah 60 inaugurates is a season of revelation. Epiphany, in the early church, was not about the arrival of the magi but the revelation of Jesus Christ.

*We hear a reading from prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 60: 1-6)*

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

**but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the Kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen**

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.**

*We sing the Agnus Dei.*

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us  
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us  
Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world,  
grant us Your peace**

*We are invited to receive communion*

This is Jesus the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**Lord (+) I am not worthy to receive you, but only say  
the word and I shall be healed.**

*We receive communion. If you would receive communion in your own church you are welcome to receive at this altar, or you may like to come forward for a blessing. During communion we sing 89*

*At the end of communion the priest will lead us in a short prayer:*

Let us pray:

Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

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 Lord be with you,

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*The preface continues until we sing.*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in  
the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of  
the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*After the Consecration*

Great is the mystery of faith

**Christ has died**

**Christ is risen**

**Christ will come again**

*At the end of the Eucharistic Prayer we sing **Amen.***

*We stand together as we are invited to join in the prayer that  
Jesus taught his friends to say.*

**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**

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. This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*We remain seated as we sing our next hymn— 490*

*The second reading is from the letter to the Ephesians. In this reading God becomes human through the birth of Christ—God both human and divine. The revelation of this unity prepared the way for another, for the Gentiles to be joined with God's people Israel. It is the revelation of this second mystery that Paul proclaims in Ephesians 3.*

*We hear a reading from the letter to the Ephesians (3: 1-12)*

This is the reason that 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 to 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 to 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.

This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*The Gospel is processed to the middle of the Church as we sing **Alleluia (Hymn 29 verse 1)**, please stand.  
The Gospel is announced. (Matthew 2: 1-12 )*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to ....  
**Glory to You, O Lord.**

*At the end.*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to You, O Christ.**

*The Gospel is carried back to the Altar as we sing **Alleluia (Hymn 29 verse 1)**.*

*We sit to listen to the sermon.*

*We stand to affirm our faith in the words of the creed.*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the (+) resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

*We kneel or sit as we prayer for the Church, the World and for this community. During the prayers we use the response:*

Lord in your mercy,  
**Hear our Prayer.**

*Sometimes we will also use the words after we pray for those who have died:*

Rest Eternal, Grant unto them O Lord  
**And may light perpetual shine upon them.**  
May they rest in peace  
**And rise in Glory**

*At the conclusion of the prayers we say.*

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

**Liturgy of the Sacrament** *(please stand)*

*The Priest will introduce the peace with suitable words...*

Christ is our peace. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation. The old has passed away: behold, everything has become new

The peace of the Lord be always with you,  
**and also with you.**  
Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*We share the peace with those around us until the offertory Hymn is announced. We sing the offertory Hymn 805 during which a collection is taken.*

*Prayer over the gifts.*

*The Priest will offer a prayer of the gifts. We respond with the words:*

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.**