

# **NEWCHURCH PARISH CHURCH**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**Baptism of Christ – Epiphany 1**

**Holy Communion at 10.30am**

**Services this week**

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January in the Parish Hall**

**Holy Communion at 10am**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

**2nd Sunday of Epiphany**

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 18–25 January**

**Holy Communion at 10.30am**

**Please pray for:**

**The Sick:**

Harry Morris, James Shillito, Nora Cooper, Dorothy Morris, Hazel Paige, Karen Hill, Margaret Watson, George Walsh, Denise Orrell, Susan Griffin, Emily Low, Algy Low, Chris Low, Janet Richardson, Stephen Chisnall, Lynne Baxter, Victoria McGuire.

**Recently Departed**

John Forbes, Barry Jameson, Gwyneth Parry, Maureen Draper, Harold Holden

**Interment of Ashes**

**Anniversaries**

Roger Dixon, Sydney George Osborne, Ethel Winstanley, David Roy Tickle, Charles Robinson, James Alan Bentley, Janet Morris, Malcolm Henshaw, Sidney Fenton, Frank Higgs, Joseph Winstanley, Doreen Fenton, Jack Trevor Hunt, Beatrice Bentley, Ian Ferguson

**Collect**

Heavenly Father,  
at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son:  
may we recognize him as our Lord  
and know ourselves to be your beloved children;  
through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

**Post Communion Prayer**

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.

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**# Hymns #**

394 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness  
193 Hail to the Lord's anointed  
103 Crown him with many crowns

**Communion**

226 *I cannot tell*  
113, *Earth has many a noble city*  
111 *Do not be afraid*  
514 Thou whose almighty word

**The next morning prayers will be:**

**Wednesday** 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026 @ 9.00am Christ Church, Croft.

**Thursday** 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026 @ 9.00am St Oswald, Winwick

**NB** There will be **NO COFFEE MORNINGS** on Wednesday mornings until 4<sup>th</sup> February.

**Courses with Rev Trev**

Rev Trev will hold his **Deep Divers Group** on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January at Christ Church, Croft, at 1.30pm.

The subject is: How David shows his love for the LORD – Psalm 103

**Café Praise and Worship.**

The doors of the Parish Hall open at 6.15pm. with worship starting at 6.30pm. Next service: **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> January**

9.30am to 12 midday

Forming a large single parish - the next steps. Open meeting for PCC members and others at St Oswald's, Winwick with Archdeacon Simon and others from the Fit for Mission Team.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

3.30pm to 5.30pm Churches Together event with act of worship (4.30pm) at Glazebury Methodist Church for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

**Bereavement Group**

A Bereavement Group every first Thursday at Culcheth Library 2p.m -4p.m

Tea, coffee and biscuits and chat for all who are bereaved or lonely. For further information contact:

[culchethbereavedchatgroup@gmail.com](mailto:culchethbereavedchatgroup@gmail.com)

Please also see the poster in the porch.



## Isaiah 42.1-9

### The Servant, a Light to the Nations

<sup>42.1</sup>Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.  
<sup>2</sup> He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;  
<sup>3</sup> a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.  
<sup>4</sup> He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.  
<sup>5</sup> Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:  
<sup>6</sup> I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations,  
<sup>7</sup> to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.  
<sup>8</sup> I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols.  
<sup>9</sup> See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

## Acts 10.34-43

### Gentiles Hear the Good News

<sup>34</sup> Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality,<sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.<sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.<sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced:<sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.<sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree;<sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear,<sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.<sup>42</sup>He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.<sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

## Matthew 3.13-17

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptised by you, and yet you are coming to me?" Jesus said to him in reply, "Allow it now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfil all righteousness." Then he allowed him. After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

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Please send notices for the weekly sheet to me, Hilary Morgan, using the following contact details, by Thursday lunchtime. Later than that might mean it cannot be included until the following week.  
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If any church organisations would like to add or update their information on the church website, please contact Alan Gray using the following contact details:  
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The church website can be found by entering the following in your browser:  
<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/15315>

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