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2nd SUNDAY of EPIPHANY 14th January 2024

THE PARISH MASS SUNG 10.30am

Celebrant & Preacher: The Rector

Please join in with the Bold Type. Mass of St Thomas by David Thorne Hymns in NEH (green book)

¶ THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

Entrance Antiphon

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you shall sing to your name, O Most High! Cf. Ps 66:4

Let us go forth in peace, in the name of Christ. Amen.

The Processional Hymn: 49

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning (Tune: Epiphany)

The Greeting

№ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

The Introduction to the Mass

The celebrant welcomes the people and introduces the Mass.

Prayers of Penitence

Sisters and brothers, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind and confess our sins.

The Confiteor

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;

(And, striking their breast, they say:)
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
(Then they continue:)

therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God. Amen.

The celebrant pronounces the Absolution

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, ye 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.** Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The Gloria in Excelsis 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.

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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.

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.

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The 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.**

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sit for the readings.

First Reading from the Old Testament A reading from the First Book of Samuel (3: 1-20)

¹ The boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. ²At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; ³ the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. ⁴ Then the LORD called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' 5 and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. 6 The LORD called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' 7 Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. 8The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. 9Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. ¹⁰ Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.' ¹¹ Then the LORD said to Samuel, 'See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle. 12 On that day I will fulfil against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. 13 For I have told him that I am about to punish his house for ever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. 14 Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be expiated by sacrifice or offering for ever.' ¹⁵ Samuel lay there until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. ¹⁶But Eli called Samuel and said, 'Samuel, my son.' He said, 'Here I am.' ¹⁷ Eli said, 'What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also, if you hide anything from me of all that he told you.' 18 So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. Then he said, 'It is the LORD; let him do what seems good to him.' 19 As Samuel grew up, the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. ²⁰ And all Israel from Dan to Beer-sheba knew that Samuel was a trustworthy prophet of the LORD.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm: 139 R. / I will thank you because I am marvellously made.

¹ LORD, you have searched me out and known me; you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

² You trace my journeys and my resting-places and are acquainted with all my ways. R. /

12 For you yourself created my inmost parts;
 you knit me together in my mother's womb.
 13 I will thank you because I am marvellously made;
 your works are wonderful, and I know it well. R. /

How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
 how great is the sum of them!
 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; to count them all,
 my life span would need to be like yours. R. /

Second Reading from the **New Testament**A reading from the Revelation to S. John the Divine. (5: 1-10)

I I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; ² and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' 3 And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. 4 And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. 5Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.' 6 Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. 7 He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. 8 When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 They sing a new song: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; 10 you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation and Reading

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

A ★ reading from the ★ Holy Gospel according to ★ John (1:43-51) **Glory to you O, Lord.**

⁴³ The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. ⁴⁵ Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' ⁴⁶Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' ⁴⁷ When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' ⁴⁸Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' ⁴⁹ Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' ⁵⁰Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' ⁵¹And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

The Homily

Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed

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, (Genuflect) was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made human. (Rise)

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.

Prayers of Intercession

Celebrant

As we celebrate the epiphany of Christ, let us offer prayers to God who calls us to pass from death to life saying: Lord in your mercy, R. / Hear our prayer.

Intercessor

For Justin, our Archbishop, Christopher, our Bishop, and all the bishops; our Parish Priest, Father Paul, and all priests, deacons, religious, and all your holy people. Lord in your mercy. R. /

For all catechumens who will be baptised this year, and all godparents and sponsors. Lord in your mercy. R. /

For all who seek Christ, and for the conversion of the whole human race. Lord in your mercy. R. /

Intercessor 4

For mercy, peace, and justice throughout the world. Lord in your mercy. R. /

Intercessor 5

For the people of Deptford, and every community with which members of the congregation and parish have a connection. Lord in your mercy. R. /

Intercessor 6

For the safety, health and salvation of all travellers, workers, prisoners and captives, and for the sick and suffering.

(<u>Fr Paul says:</u> We pray especially for ...), Lord in your mercy. **R./**Celebrant

For the recently departed, especially...

and all whose anniversaries fall at this time especially...

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

and let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

The celebrant invites us to offer our personal intentions, and then leads us in asking for the Prayers of our Lady & the Saints.

We rejoice in our friendship with the BVM & greet her as we pray: **Hail Mary ...**

S. Joseph, Spouse of the BVM, Pray for us

Holy Magi, S. Peter, Prince of the Apostles, S. Paul, our Patron,

Ss. Francis & Clare of Assisi, S. Anthony the Great, S. Wulfsan,

S. Fabian, S. Sebastian All you angels & saints.

Merciful God accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

¶ THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Altar is prepared.

The Offertory Hymn: 52

O Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness (Tune: Was Lebet)

Orate Fratres

Pray my sisters and brothers, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his Church

the work of our redemption is accomplished. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

Here follows the Preface

in which the celebrant praises God for his mighty acts:

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 lesus 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:

and all respond:

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.

The celebrant recalls the Last Supper, and this acclamation is used:

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died: Christ is risen: Christ will come again.

The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology, to which all respond boldly:

AMEN.

¶ THE COMMUNION RITE

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in the presence of God here among us, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

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.

Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all distress as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Peace.

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: Peace I leave you, my peace I give you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live for ever and ever. Amen.

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

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

We share the peace with those immediately around us. a sign that expresses peace, communion, and love.

Agnus Dei

during which the celebrant takes the host and breaks it over the paten, placing a small piece in the chalice.

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

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

you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Giving of Communion

Behold 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.

Communion Antiphon

We have come to know and to believe in the love that God has for us.

I John 4: 16

Please follow the directions of the sidespeoble.

The Body of Christ.

The communicant replies **Amen.** and then receives.

* At home, make an Act of Spiritual Communion *

As you imagine yourself receiving the Bread of Heaven, be still and rest in the love of God. Thank Him for entering beneath the roof of your soul.

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

S. Alphonsus Liguori (1696 - 1797)

The Communion Hymn: 40

What child is this, who laid to rest (Tune: Greensleaves)

After receiving Holy Communion read & pray quietly in thanksgiving.

The Jesus Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, Κύριε Ἰησοῦ Χριστέ, Υἰέ τοῦ Θεοῦ, have mercy on me, a sinner. έλέησόν με τὸν ἀμαρτωλόν KEE-REE-AY EE-SOO KHREE-STAY, YAY TOO THAY-OO. EH-LAY-EE-SOHN MEH TOHN AH-MAR-TAH-LOHN. AMEEN

The Trisagion (Thrice Holy)

Άγιος ὁ Θεός Holy God. (Agios o Theos) Holy and Mighty, Άγιος Ισχυρός (Agios ischyros) (Agios athanatos) Holy and Immortal, Άγιος ἀθάνατος Have mercy on us. (x3) ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς (eleison imas)

Epiphany Prayer at the Crib

Almighty and everlasting God, you have revealed the incarnation of your Son by the bright shining of a star, which led the Magi to offer costly gifts in adoration. Let the star of your justice give light to our hearts, that we may give as our treasure all that we possess and all that we are; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ THE CONCLUDING RITES

Postcommunion 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.



& ANY BANNS OF MARRIAGE.

The Solemn Blessing

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us Bow our heads and pray for God's blessing.

May God the Father,

who led the Magi by the shining of a star to find the Christ,

the Light from Light,

lead you also in your pilgrimage to find the Lord. Amen.

May God the Son.

who turned water into wine at the wedding feast at Cana, transform your lives and make glad your hearts. Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit,

who came upon the beloved Son at his baptism in the river Jordan, pour out his gifts on you

who have come to the waters of new birth. Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always. Amen.



The Recessional Hymn: 50

From the eastern mountains (Tune: Evelyns)

The Angelus

The Dismissal

The Angel of the Lord brought glad tidings to Mary; And she conceived by the Holy Ghost.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

Be it unto me according to thy Word. Hail Mary...

And the Word was made flesh.

And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...

Pray for us O holy Mother of God.

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts, that as we have known the Incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his Cross № and Passion we may be brought unto the glory of his Resurrection; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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THE KALENDAR

2nd WEEK of EPIPHANY

14th - 20th JANUARY 2024, DEL* week 2 DEL = Daily Eucharistic Lectionary

MASS & Other Service Times in church

SUN, 14th, Morning Prayer 9am, Evening Prayer 6pm

Morning & Evening Prayer said privately this week (Monday to Friday)

Usual Mass schedule returns from 28th January.

SAT, 20th, S. Fabian, S. Sebastian,

Morning Prayer at 10.00am Evening Prayer at 6.00pm

SUNDAY, 21st JANUARY 2024 **FEAST OF THE CONVERSION** OF S. PAUL THE APOSTLE

9.00am Morning Prayer

10.30am PARISH MASS SUNG Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Alun Ford, Chaplain to the Bishop of Southwark

6.00pm Evening Prayer

THE NOTICES

ASH WEDNESDAY - 14th February 2024 marks the beginning of Lent. 7.30pm: SOLEMN SUNG MASS WITH IMPOSITION OF ASHES

Please bring in your † PALM CROSSES † from previous years and place them in the basket at the back of church so that they can be burned to make the ash for the Mass.

HOLY CONFIRMATION

Sacrament of Holy Confirmation with +Rob Wickham, Honorary Assistant Bishop & CEO of the Church Urban Fund at Parish Mass on Sunday 11th FEBRUARY 2024 Get together for all candidates

Wednesday 7th February following the 6pm Mass ◀

 Ω S. PAUL'S OMEGA STUDY GROUP Ω 'The Ecclesiastical History of the English Church', by the Venerable Bede

Meets next on Zoom Thursday, 1st Feb. '24 - 8.15pm - 10pm

Further info & login details on Parish website & Rector's Weekly Email. All welcome

Church Cleaning & Preparation for Sunday Every Saturday from I lam until 12.30pm.

Please come to help with church cleaning & other tasks. Thank you.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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£20000 a year or, £385 a week = £20 a week...

£25000 a year or, £480 a week= £25 a week... £30000 a year or £577 a week = £30 a week...

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the Diocese goes towards clergy stipends).

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