

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> January

It begins today, and is often overlooked, which is a pity. If you want to know more about it, Google it. The programme can be found with the hyperlink below which you can access on the pdf of this service on A Church New You, under this Sunday. Use the QR code below. I'll also send the link via the Congregation WhatsApp Group? Not a member yet? Drop me a line.

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### PCC

This met on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> and it was a highly productive meeting. The proceedings of the previous meeting are posted, and can be found here.

[All Saints PCC Meeting 11th November 2025 - All Saints Newton Heath - A Church Near You](#)

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**Next Sunday: 25th January. *The Feast of the Conversion of St Paul.***

**Sunday 1st February (BCP Sunday)**

***The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)***

As it's the last Sunday of the month, we have two services

9.00 am Holy Communion (said)

10.00 am Holy Communion (sung)

**WELCOME! Scan and scroll to find out more about us, and to help if you can**



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THE CHURCH  
OF ENGLAND  
Diocese of Manchester

CHURCH  
FOR A  
DIFFERENT  
WORLD



Young or old, from near or far you are all

Welcome!

**Newton Heath**

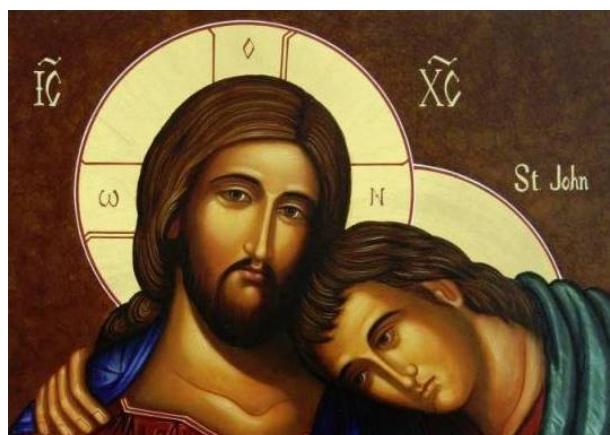
**All Saints' Parish Church**

With St Wilfrid's, St Ann and St Cuthbert's

**18th January 2026**

**The Second Sunday of Epiphany**

**Parish Sung Eucharist**



### Behold, the Lamb of God

Week by week after Christmas we are presented with people and elements that are integral to Jesus's ministry, culminating in the events of Holy Week. We witness these as the baptised.

Baptism, this re-orientation towards God, and our being marked out for God's work, is to the fore again here. We have John, Jesus, Andrew and Simon, who was to become Cephas, described elsewhere as Peter, the rock upon whom Jesus would build his church. A look from Jesus is enough.

Andrew makes the introduction and his brother is transformed. Simon becomes Peter, *petros*, the rock; but the rock that was to deny Christ three times. On such as him the church is built: a person inclined to mess up and fail, just like you and me. What do we think about this, so early in the Jesus story?

In St John's more "mystical" presentation of John the Baptist and Jesus today we have another insight into both their relationship—over and above being cousins—as well as our relationship with the Word made flesh.

The Evangelists wrote with different purposes to different audiences, impelled by the passing of time and inspired by the Holy Spirit.

Our understanding is unique because the Holy Spirit speaks to us as a Church and as individuals. Listen and respond. This Epiphany, and beyond, let's make our faith manifest.

Fr A

## Welcome to the Eucharist, also known as Holy Communion or The Mass

This act of worship is a partnership between the priest and the people who:

- greet each other in the Lord's name
- confess their sins and, if repentant, are assured of God's forgiveness
- keep silence and pray a Collect (a special prayer or collection of thoughts for that day)
- proclaim and respond to the word of God in scripture and reflect on it
- pray for the Church, the world and those in need
- exchange the Peace (this should be a simple gesture, not a major interruption to the flow of the service)
- prepare the table (it is only a table, but it becomes an altar)
- pray the Eucharistic Prayer (listen along and pray, and over time these words will become more familiar to you.)
- break the bread (which recalls Christ's body, broken on the Cross)
- receive communion (or a blessing instead)
- depart with God's blessing, to go in peace to love and serve the Lord

If you have arrived very late, relax! Sit still and make your confession knowing God understands and loves you. Then read the Gospel, and join us in full when you are ready.

### Safeguarding



2. Crown Him the Virgin's Son,  
The God incarnate born,  
Whose arm those crimson trophies won  
Which now his brow adorn;  
Fruit of the mystic Rose,  
As of the Rose the Stem,  
The Root, whence mercy ever flows,  
The Babe of Bethlehem.

3. Crown Him the Lord of Love.  
Behold His hands and side,  
Rich wounds, yet visible above,  
In beauty glorified.  
No angel in the sky  
Can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his wondering eye  
At mysteries so bright!

4. Crown Him the Lord of peace,  
Whose power a scepter sways  
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,  
And all be prayer and praise:  
His reign shall know no end,  
And round His piercèd feet  
Fair flowers of paradise extend  
Their fragrance ever sweet.

5. Crown Him the Lord of years,  
The Potentate of time,  
Creator of the rolling spheres,  
Ineffably sublime.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For Thou has died for me;  
Thy praise and glory shall not fail  
Throughout eternity.

### Blessing

The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.  
Amen.

### The Dismissal

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

### Voluntary

*Uns ist geboren ein Kindelein op 39 no 4  
(Unto us a child is born)*

Peeters

*Silence is kept.*

#### **Music after Communion**

*Here is the little door*

Here is the little door,  
lift up the latch, oh lift!  
We need not wander more,  
but enter with our gift;  
Our gift of finest gold.  
Gold that was never bought or sold;  
Myrrh to be strewn about his bed;  
Incense in clouds about His head;  
All for the child that stirs not in His sleep,  
But holy slumber hold with ass and sheep.

2.

Bend low about His bed,  
For each He has a gift;  
See how His eyes awake,  
Lift up your hands, O lift!  
For gold, He gives a keen-edged sword.  
(Defend with it thy little Lord!)  
For incense, smoke of battle red,  
Myrrh for the honored happy dead;  
Gifts for His children, terrible and sweet;  
Touched by such tiny hands,  
and Oh such tiny feet.

Words: Frances Chesterton

Music: Herbert Howells

#### **The Post Communion Prayers**

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.

**Almighty God,  
we thank you for feeding us  
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.  
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies  
to be a living sacrifice.  
Send us out in the power of your Spirit  
to live and work  
to your praise and glory.  
Amen.**

#### **Hymn**

1. Crown Him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon His throne,  
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns  
All music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
Of Him who died for thee,  
And Hail him as thy matchless King  
through all eternity.

#### **Music before the service**

*O Lamm Gottes, unschuldig BWV 1085*  
(*O Lamb of God, innocent*)

*J.S. Bach*

#### **The Gathering**

#### **Hymn**

1. 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,  
Are precious in his sight.
3. He shall come down like showers  
Upon the fruitful earth;  
Love, joy, and 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 fall 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 Name to us is Love.

In the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

#### **The Greeting**

*The president greets the people*

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you  
**and also with you.**

### Prayer of Preparation

Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

### Prayers of Penitence

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.

Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.

*The president says*

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.

### Gloria in Excelsis

Stand as able  
**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.**  
**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.**  
Amen.

Great is the mystery of faith:

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

*The Prayer continues and leads into the doxology,*

by whom, and with whom, and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,  
for ever and ever.

Amen.

### The Lord's Prayer

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

### Breaking of the Bread

*The president breaks the consecrated 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.**

### The Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God,  
have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
have mercy on us.  
Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
grant us peace.

### Giving of Communion

Jesus is 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.**

*The president and people receive communion.*

## Schools and Colleges

All Saints; St Wilfrid's; Briscoe Lane Academy; Christ the King; Co-op Academy Broadhurst; Oldham Blue Coat; Trinity High School; Bowdoin College, Maine; Churchill College, Cambridge; University of Coventry; Edge Hill University; University of Leeds; Oldham Sixth Form College.

## Parish

Brampton Walk, Brinfield Walk, Briscoe Lane, Brookdale Avenue, Bycroft Walk, Camden Avenue.

## Book of Remembrance

Sheila Chidlow; Jack Bateman; Madeline Allen; Alan Townley; Alice Kirby; John Boomer.

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

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

### The Peace

*Stand as able*

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of his government and of peace  
there shall be no end.

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*All may exchange a sign of peace.*

### Preparation of the Table

### Taking of the Bread and Wine

### 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.**

**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.**

*Sit or kneel*

*The president recalls the Last Supper,*

## 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

### Readings

*Sit*

### Isaiah 49.1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands,  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The Lord called me before I was born,  
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.  
<sup>2</sup> He made my mouth like a sharp sword,  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow,  
in his quiver he hid me away.  
<sup>3</sup> And he said to me, 'You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'  
<sup>4</sup> But I said, 'I have laboured in vain,  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the Lord,  
and my reward with my God.'  
<sup>5</sup> And now the Lord says,  
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honoured in the sight of the Lord,  
and my God has become my strength—  
<sup>6</sup> he says,  
'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the end of the  
earth.'  
<sup>7</sup> Thus says the Lord,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
the slave of rulers,  
'Kings shall see and stand up,  
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the Lord, who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

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

## 1 Corinthians 1.1-9

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

2 To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: 3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— <sup>6</sup>just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— <sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup>He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Reading

*Stand as able*

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations  
and believed in throughout the world.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!' <sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' <sup>32</sup>And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, "He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." <sup>34</sup>And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.' 35 The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' <sup>39</sup>He said to them, 'Come and see.' They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's

brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup>He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas' (which is translated Peter).

*John 1.29-42*

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Sermon**

*Sit*

**The Creed**

*Stand as able*

**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,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit  
and the Virgin Mary  
and was made man.**

**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.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

## Prayers of Intercession

### Cycle of Prayer

**Our bishops:** David, Mark and Matthew

**The Anglican Communion**

Province de L'Eglise Anglicane du Congo

**Porvoo Communion**

**Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland:** Dio-  
cocese of Tampere