

Christ and St John with St Luke, Isle of Dogs **29th January 2012 – Candlemas**

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6.30p.m Evening Worship at Christ Church. The leader will be Hilary Elliott.

Opening Hymn: 52 O worship the Lord

Collect

Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading: Malachi 3.1-5

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight - indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness. Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years. Then I will draw near to you for judgment; I will be swift to bear witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired workers in their wages, the widow and the orphan, against those who thrust aside the alien, and do not fear me, says the LORD of hosts.

Psalm: Psalm 111

Alleluia.

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.

The works of the Lord are great,
sought out by all who delight in them.
His work is full of majesty and honour
and his righteousness endures for ever. **R**

They stand fast for ever and ever;
they are done in truth and equity.
He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant for ever;
holy and awesome is his name.
The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
a good understanding have those who live by it;
his praise endures for ever. **R**

He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds;
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He gave food to those who feared him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He showed his people the power of his works
in giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of his hands are truth and justice;
all his commandments are sure. **R**



Second Reading: Hebrews 2.14–end

Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

Gospel: Luke 2.22-40

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon; this man was righteous and devout, looking forward to the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Messiah. Guided by the Spirit, Simeon came into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him what was customary under the law, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed - and a sword will pierce your own soul too." There was also a prophet, Anna the daughter of Phaniel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, having lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, then as a widow to the age of eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped there with fasting and prayer night and day. At that moment she came, and began to praise God and to speak about the child to all who were looking for the redemption of Jerusalem. When they had finished everything required by the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favour of God was upon him.

Offertory Hymn: 297 Lord, Jesus Christ

Communion Hymn: 282 Faithful Shepherd, feed me

Closing Hymn: 362 Glorious things of thee are spoken

This Week's Prayer List

Please pray for the Sick: Samantha McTasney, Sarah Parsons, Iris Shepard, Wayne Jacobs, Joyce Thomas, Fred and Joan Tyrrell, Hubert Chesshyre, Kevin Pett, Pat Cenci, George Brennan, Mr Lennon, Philip Molava, Iona's nanny, Marcia, John Ireland, Charlie Wilkins, Alex, Tina, Kazys, Grace Palmer, Gerry MacArthur, Mary Sargent

Please pray for those who have died recently: Betty Guy, Henry Camp, Linda Bailey, Frank Horwill

In Memoriam for January: John Allen, Susannah Anderson, Dorothy Brown, Minnie Donkin, James Fraser, Grace Gleeson, Mary Harris, Eric Haxell, Elizabeth Jennings, Annie Kilgour, William King, Robert Kober, Ada Lowes, Martha Oatway, Sharon Parks, George Reynolds, Frederick Sale, Joan Simms, Geoffrey Tucker, Mabel Wighting

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6.30p.m Evening Worship at Christ Church. The leader will be Bill Chesshyre.

Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 40.21-end

Second Reading: I Corinthians 9.16-23

Gospel: Mark 1.29-39

Please pray for all the lay persons who will help with these services:

Millie Andrew, Yvonne Small, Olive Joseph, Simone Stubbs, Carolynne McGaughey, Joan Rock, John Edwards, John John, David Longbottom, Martin & Lesley Young, Bill Chesshyre, Pamela Hulme and the choir.

Weekly Offering

*Honour the LORD with your substance
and with the first fruits of all your produce;
then your barns will be filled with plenty,
and your vats will be bursting with wine.*

Proverbs 3.9-10

We are publishing the details of the weekly offering to raise awareness of the Parish's poor financial situation. In this Parish we promote the church's challenge to our congregations to contribute a minimum of 5% of their after-tax income to and through the parish in gratitude to God's generosity to us and we ask that if this is your regular place of worship, you would support us through Planned Giving rather than the offering plate. Planned Giving packs are available at both churches.

Last Week's Offering

Planned Giving Target = £1,110.56

Planned Giving Received = £815.00

Loose Plate Offering = £121.93

Notices

Monday	8.30a.m	Morning Prayer	Christ Church
	10.30a.m	School Mass	St Luke's School
	5.00p.m	Community Choir	St Luke's Hall
Tuesday	8.30a.m	Morning Prayer	Christ Church
	1.05p.m	Mass	St Luke's Church
	7.45p.m	Towards the New St Luke's	9 Llandoverly House
Wednesday	8.30a.m	Morning Prayer	Christ Church
	7.15p.m	Mass	Christ Church
	8.00p.m	Standing Committee	Parish Room
Thursday	9.00a.m	Morning Prayer	Christ Church
	9.30a.m	Toy Library	Parish Room
	7.00p.m	Children's Choir Practice	Christ Church
	8.00p.m	Choir Practice	Christ Church
Friday	8.30a.m	Morning Prayer	St Luke's Church
	9.30a.m	Toy Library	Parish Room
	4.30p.m	Children's Bible Class	Parish Room

- World Leprosy Day. Today is World Leprosy Day. To mark this event, Dr Sunder Bethapudy a doctor and a member of this parish will be speaking about his work with the leprosy mission during the I Iam Parish Mass .
- Lent Course. The Worship Committee have suggested that for this year and next year Lent should have a Social Justice emphasis. To that end, the Lent course we are going to follow is prepared by the Church Urban Fund (one of our three charities) and is called Are We Washing our Hands of England's Poor? The materials are freely available on-line at http://www.cuf.org.uk/sites/default/files/documents/PDFs/CUF_LentAppeal_Main-resource.pdf If you would like to have a paper copy printed off for you, please ask Fr. Tom. There will be daytime and evening sessions of the Lent Study so that everyone can take part.
- Parish Retreat. A Parish Retreat is being held on the weekend of the First Sunday of Lent from Friday 24th February 2012. The venue will be the same as last year (St Peter's Bourne Christian Education and Spirituality Centre, Oakleigh Park (zone 4, Northern Line)). There are overnight and day spaces available. Please contact Andrew Warner (andrew.warner@parishiod.org.uk) as soon as possible if you wish to obtain further information or book a place.

- Moving On. Revd Amanda and Fr Tom will be licensed as Priest in Charge and Associate Priest at Hornchurch St Nicholas, Elm Park on 15th March at 7.30pm. All parishioners are welcome. If you are planning to attend please let one of the Revs Keighley know for catering purposes. In the meantime, both Amanda and Tom would be grateful for your prayers as they begin to re-focus their ministries.
- Annual Day of Prayer. There will be a Day of Prayer on Saturday 17th March from 10a.m to 2.45p.m at St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey. The day will conclude with Evensong in the Abbey.
- Summer Fete. The Summer fete will be held on Sunday 8th July. Even though this is still a long way off, we would like to ask everyone to think about ways in which you would like to be involved this year. Also, if any members of the congregation have any links with companies that support local charities and may be able to match fundraising efforts, offer sponsorship or donate raffle prizes please speak to Father Tom or to a member of the planning committee (Chair is Kerry New). If you would like to attend the next planning meeting it will be held at 7:30pm on 27th February at the Great Eastern Pub - all are very welcome.

As you leave, please respect our churches and show consideration to the people who keep them tidy by replacing the kneelers as you found them and taking this Notice Sheet with you. Thank You.



We have an induction loop fitted at Christ Church, please use 'T' position on your hearing aid.

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