

We extend a warm welcome to any visitors joining us for worship today. Everyone present is invited to come to the altar, either to receive communion or a blessing.

Lectionary Readings : Isaiah 60: 1-6 Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 Ephesians 3: 1-12 Matthew 2: 1-12

Hymns

113 Earth has many a noble city
491 The race that long in darkness pined
537 We three kings of Orient are
477 The first Nowell
41 As with gladness men of old

Music before the Service: "Winter" (from the Four Seasons) by Anton Vivaldi

Music after the Service: "The Radetsky March" by Johann Strauss

We will prepare for the service with a quiet personal time of reflection and preparation as Peter begins to play.

Worship next week – Sunday 13th January – Baptism of Christ

All Saints, Chalgrave – 9.30am Holy Communion led by Rev'd Roger Wood

St. George's, Toddington – 11am Parish Eucharist led by Rev'd Roger Wood

Morning Prayer Services at St. George's - 9.15am Mondays 7th, 21st and 28th January

We remember in our prayers:

- Those who are sick, those who are no longer able to attend church and all those who care for the sick.
- Those who have recently died thinking particularly of Alan Holmes and of Louise and her mother as they grieve.
- We pray for God's peace and comfort to surround the families who mourn, and all those who remember a loved one whose anniversary falls this week.

If anyone is aware of someone who is ill or in need of support from our Church family/community, please inform Rev'd Linda Washington (or churchwardens Sue or Margaret).

Notices and Dates for your diary

Chalgrave Alpha Course – to be held at Tebworth Memorial Hall on Thursday evenings from May 9th 7pm for 10 weeks. Date for your diary. More information to follow.

Enquirers Short Course – This course will be for people with a general interest in learning more about the Christian faith in a friendly informal setting and will naturally lead to confirmation for those who desire it. In Spring we have the opportunity of doing the full alpha course. The first meeting is this Thursday 10th January at 7.30pm at The Rectory, 41 Leighton Road, Toddington. For more information please contact Linda or Nigel

Messy Church - Friday 11th January 3.30pm – 5.30pm in Wilkinson Hall: Craft, worship, food & fun for all ages

Coffee Time – Saturday 12th January in Wilkinson Hall

9.30am – 11am "Early Bird Special" Bacon bap & Hot drink for just £3

10.30am – 12 noon – Saturday Coffee Time admission £1 incl. tea/coffee & biscuits

Seated Pilates with Jo – Tuesday 22nd January 2pm – 3pm in the Wilkinson Hall. £5 per session in Wilkinson Hall.

Friends of St. George's "New Year" Coffee Morning & Bargain Sale – Saturday 26th January 10.30am – 12.30pm in Wilkinson Hall: everything £1 or less!

"Barbara's Bingo" – Friday 22nd February 7.30pm in Wilkinson Hall – in aid of St. George's Church funds - more details to follow

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Pew Sheets – Any items for weekly pew sheets should be sent to lynne.sherriffs@ntlworld.com or through her door at 14 Frenchmans Close, Toddington, by **Thursday** at the latest. Tel. 07908 701109

The Quintet – Please send items for **February issue** to Penny Denman by **20th January**, at jonandpenny@yahoo.com or phone 01525 720695. There is no January issue.