Next Sunday 16th January 2022 11.00 a.m. Morning Prayer (Canon Ken)

PARISH PRAYER LIST Billy, Libby, Jean, Julie, Ava, Derek & Jean

SENIOR MEMBERS RESIDENT IN CARE HOMES Nan, Leslie, Lillian, Tom, Sally, Violet, June & Alec

PARISH PRAYER



Heavenly Father, we praise and thank you that in your redeeming love you have drawn us together.

We pray that you would deepen our love for you as members of your Church.

Strengthen our fellowship with each other and help us to worship you in spirit and in truth.

We pray that during this time of change, we will keep our eyes fixed on you and trust you for the future.

Help us to be faithful in our prayers for the continuing ministry in this community and guide us in all things to know and do your will, for the honour and glory of your name. Amen

We especially remember in our prayers this morning those bereaved in the sudden passing of Margaret Hoy, particularly her husband Eddie and son Stephen and family. Margaret's Funeral Service will be in church in the morning (Monday 10th) at 10.00 a.m.

Parish Contacts

During the Vacancy the Rural Dean, Rev Canon Kevin Graham, Rector of St Bartholomew's, will be in charge of the parish with Canon Ken continuing in his usual role as Assistant Minister. Contact details are as follows:

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St Aidan's Parish Church Enabling people to find a Living Faith in a Loving God by Serving 'Christ in the Community' Sunday 9th January 2022 1st Sunday after the Epiphany Pew Sheet



You are very welcome to our worship today

The service is Morning Prayer as per The Book of Common Prayer (page 101)

Our services are also available live on Facebook.

WELCOME & THE GREETING

Our hymns today are numbers

- 136 'On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry'
- 143 'Waken, O sleeper, wake and rise'
- 116 'To our Redeemer's glorious name'

Collect of the Day

Loving God, your Son came to seek the lost and was baptised with sinners: grant that we, who have been baptised in his name, may reach out in love to those in need with the mercy of Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, for ever and ever. **Amen**



Psalm 29

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven, *ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.*
- 2 Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name; *worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.*
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation; *the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.*
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf *and Sirion like a young wild ox.*
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare; *in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'*
- 9 The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood; *the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.*
- 10 The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and | to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

1st Reading Isaiah 43: 1-7

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

³ For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

- ⁴ Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you,
- I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you;

⁶ I will say to the north, 'Give them up', and to the south, 'Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away

and my daughters from the end of the earth-

⁷ everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

2nd Reading Mark 1.1-11 John the Baptist prepares the way

 The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, ² as it is written in Isaiah the prophet: 'I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way'
³ 'a voice of one calling in the wilderness, "Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him."'



⁴ And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptised by him in the River Jordan. ⁶ John wore clothing made of camel's hair, with a leather belt round his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ And this was his message: 'After me comes the one more powerful than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. ⁸ I baptise you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'