

The Epiphany

3rd HYMN:

Tune: **Gonfalon Royal (NEH 128 ii)**

O Bethlehem, you were the least,
But now you are beyond compare:
For him we honour on this feast,
Our saving God, you sheltered there.

The star that told our Saviour's birth
Was fairer than the morning sun,
Proclaimed him, lowly here on earth,
the Lord of all, God's holy one.

The eastern kings come from afar:
Three precious gifts for him they bear,
And guided by the radiant star
Bring gold and frankincense and myrrh.

Each gift shows forth a mystery:
They named him king and offered gold,
Gave incense to God's majesty,
And with the myrrh his death foretold.

All praise to you, our king and Lord,
Revealed in your divinity,
And may you ever be adored
Within the holy Trinity.

(Prudentius 348 – 410)

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COLLECT

O God, who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples
of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
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**

POSTCOMMUNION

Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations
seek: may we who with the wise men have been
drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence
in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen.**

Parish of All Saints with St Philip
Maidstone & St Stephen, Tovil

WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS

Sunday 6th January 2013

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At the 8.00 am Eucharist we use the readings
for The Epiphany which begin on page 65. The
service starts on page 237.

At the 9.30 am Parish Eucharist we use the
Printed Order of Service. We choir sing the service
to the Aston setting.

Opening Hymn: 47 As with gladness

1st Lesson: Isaiah 60. 1 - 6
Reader: Dorothy Gerhards

Gradual Psalm: 535 All the ends

2nd Lesson: Ephesians 3. 1 - 12
Reader: Jane Stevens

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

We saw his star as it rose
and have come to do the Lord homage.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Gospel: Matthew 2. 1 - 12

*After the Gospel, we turn to the crib, there gifts will be
placed and prayers said. Then we sing the 3rd Hymn
which is on the back of this service sheet:*

O Bethlehem, you were the least

Preacher: Christopher Morgan-Jones

Today, we omit the Creed

Intercessions: Paul Crease

Offertory Hymn: 49 Brightest and best
(During this hymn the collection will be taken)

During communion, the choir sing:
From the rising of the sun Ousley
O taste and see Vaughan Williams

Final Hymn: 52 O worship the king

*Everyone is invited to stay for refreshments
at the back of the church after the service*

6.30 pm Choral Evensong at All Saints

Monday 7th January 2013

Tuesday 8th January 2013

8.30 am Eucharist at St Philip's
10 am – Noon Coffee & Chat at St Philip's
11 am Restoration Trust meets at Vicarage

Wednesday 9th January 2013

10.30 am Eucharist at All Saints

Thursday 10th January 2013

12.30 pm Eucharist at All Saints

Friday 11th January 2013

Saturday 12th January 2013

SUNDAY 13th January 2013

THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

8 am Eucharist said at All Saints
9.30 am Choral Eucharist at All Saints
11 am Family Eucharist at St Philip's
3 pm Baptisms at All Saints
6.30 pm Evensong said at All Saints

Readings for the Parish Eucharist:

Isaiah 43. 1 - 7
Acts 8. 14 - 17
Luke 3. 15 – 17, 21 - 22

**PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET
AWAY WITH YOU**

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The next **Choral Evensongs** at All Saints
will be at 6.30 pm on 6th & 20th January & on
3rd & 17th February 2013.

We pray for Samuel James, Michael Walsh, Sue Busby, Ken Bridges, Jane Wearne, Kelly Browncey, Leyton Gayle, the Hughes family, Jeff Fernet-Randall, Richard Sibley, Jill Grant, the Chapman family, Muriel Hynes, Claire, Peter, Joe Daniels, , Jane Critchley, Andrea, Iris Duke, Daphne Holland, Brenda Hope, Avril Majewski, Michael Greenstreet, Pearl Caney, Jean Williamson, Dennis Ward, June, Annett, Sandy Kane, John Matthews, Sharon and Eira.

We pray for those who have recently died, among them John Stanford and for those whose anniversaries fall at this time.

John Stanford's Funeral will be held at St Philip's Church at 1. 15 pm on Tuesday 15th January.

There will be a Brunch/ Breakfast in All Saints at 11 am on **Sunday 13th January** in aid of the Restoration Fund. Tickets are £10 each and £20 for a family. Please book your place with Mary Shaw.

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THE EPIPHANY BLESSING

Christ our Lord,
to whom kings bowed down in worship and offered gifts,
reveal to you his glory
and pour upon you the riches of his grace;
and the blessing + of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**