



# Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> January 2025 Epiphany 1 - The Baptism of Our Lord

**Collect :** Heavenly Father, at the Jordan you revealed Jesus as your Son: may we recognize him as our Lord and know ourselves to be your beloved children; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

## First Reading : Acts 8:14-17

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

### Gospel: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

#### Hymns and Music for the Mass

- **103** O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
- 607 Christ be the Lord of all our days
- 455 My God, and is thy table spread
- 646 God is working his purpose out

Mass Setting: Mass of St. Thomas, by David Thorne

#### The Renewal of Baptismal Vows – page 17 of the Mass Book

#### Prayers

#### Please pray for those who are unwell:

Gillian Crow, Stuart Crow, John Crocker, Marcia, Annie and Andy, Dorothy Charlton, Sophia Vryoni-Dickson, Matthew, Annette Beck, Ray Harris, Bryan and Joan Bufton, Phillada Ware, Michael Lewis, Martin Nicholls, Bill and Eileen Nash, Pat Riley, David Ryan, Geraldine, Dixie and family, George Poole, Paige Hill, Frank, Christine Bufton, Michael, Andrew Hall.

#### Please pray for the recently departed:

**and for those in our Year's Mind:** Fanny Wootton, Kathleen Fudgell, Jean Palmer, Ellen Housley (12<sup>th</sup>), Gywneth Vowles (15<sup>th</sup>), Augustyn Lesnik (16<sup>th</sup>), Raymond Studdard (17<sup>th</sup>), Kenneth Pleass (19<sup>th</sup>)

#### The Welcome Project Prayer:

Lord, our God, source of all life, you reveal your compassion and mercy in the life we share. Bless us as we respond to your Spirit's invitation to open wide our doors to Christ. May the doors of our hearts remain ever open in holy and unconditional welcome. Bless *The Welcome Project* – that our welcome may be wide enough to receive all who need love and fellowship, as we reach out to welcome the stranger and friend alike and so welcome your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **Prayer for Peace:**

Holy and gracious God, we pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia; of Israel and Palestine. We pray for all those who are afraid; for those who are suffering and traumatised; and for those who are grieving, that your everlasting arms may hold them in this time of great suffering. We pray for those who choose war; that they will turn their swords into ploughshares and seek for peace. We pray for the leaders of nations; that they may follow the wisdom and compassion of Christ. We ask this in the name of your blessed Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us! Our Lady of Kyiv, pray for your children.

#### Prayer and Meditation for January

Heavenly Father, you sent your son into a confused and fragile world to show us the way to love and to bring us peace. May the simple beauty of Jesus' birth draw us to love what is deeply human and open our hearts to the gift of peace he wishes to give us.

"And light shines in the darkness; and the darkness could not overpower it." (John 1:5)

#### **Prayer and Pastoral Care Needs:**

If you need prayer support either for yourself or for someone you know do let Fr David know in confidence. Fr David is also in church most Saturday mornings to offer counselling, prayer, hear confessions or just for a chat. If you, or a member of your family, is in hospital, or housebound through illness, please let Fr David or Caroline (warden) know, and a pastoral or holy communion visit can be arranged by the Rector.

#### **Parish Contacts**

**Rector:** Revd. Canon Dr. David McGladdery, SCP Tel 07859 787787 Email: <u>rector.horfield@gmail.com</u> Please note that Fr David's day off is on a Monday.

#### Church warden:

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#### Parish Office:

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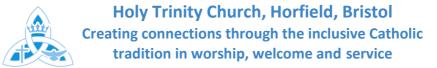
#### **Regular Services**

Sunday 10am Mass. Tuesday 12 noon Mass.
Wednesday 10am at St. Gregory's Church.
Thursday 10am Mass. Friday 6pm Mass
Refreshments are served after Sunday and Thursday Mass.

Additional monthly Services in the Lady Chapel at 10am First Saturday - the Holy Rosary will be prayed for peace. Last Saturday - a Mass for healing with anointing will be offered. Holy Hour of prayer – 4th Sunday of the month at 4pm

Live streams of Sunday Mass and Thursday Mass and any other advertised services being streamed, and recordings of previous services are available at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/@HolyTrinityHorfield">https://www.youtube.com/@HolyTrinityHorfield</a>

**Bookings** for the Hall, Helliwell and Blancharde rooms can be made via: <u>https://www.sharesy.com/v/holy-trinity-horfield</u>





# Getting involved: 12th January 2025

# Activities

- Welcome Conversation An open discussion group led by a different person each time. 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month, 11am.
- Warm Welcome 9am 10.30am Monday-Friday.
- Burns Supper 1<sup>st</sup> February tickets now available. See poster overleaf

Next Messy Church: 19<sup>th</sup> January : 10am – 11.15am in the church hall.

# **Christmas Charity Appeal**



For those who need us most

inHope's Big Give Christmas and Emergency Appeal

https://www.inhope.uk/

The charity aims to raise £100,000 to ensure they can help and support people experiencing hunger and homelessness over the winter.

Please donate via our Appeal envelopes, or give via the Holy Trinity, Horfield PCC (Charity Account) -Sort Code : 306296 Account Number : 27658063

# Burns Night Supper

Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2025 Doors open 7.00 pm dinner at 7.45 pm Holy Trinity Church Hall, Wellington Hill, Horfield Come and join us for a 4 Course Scottish menu Including Traditional Haggis, Neeps and Tatties (Vegetarian option available) Entertainment ... Bar Tickets - £20 per person <u>Please contact Emma or Kate to purchase your tickets</u>: Emma Bickford, Tel. 07791024186 emmapb60@gmail.com Kate Davis, Tel. 07833714647 k8.davis@hotmail.co.uk (all welcome, bring your family & friends) *Proceeds in aid of the Welcome Project*