

## NOTICES

**Open House and Drinks:** Andy and Debbie would like to invite you for drinks at their home on **Sunday 29th January between 3pm-6pm**. Please feel free to drop in anytime and stay for as little or long as you like. A selection of beverages will be provided, but you are also very welcome to bring your own. Please contact staff for the address.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:** This January there's lots of opportunities to join with others across Evesham in worship and unity. St Peter's are hosting a 'Week of Prayer' event on **Thursday 19th January, 10.30am- 11.30am**. Please find a full list of other events below:

- **Wednesday January 18th – 10.30am:** Salvation Army, The Leys, Evesham, WR11 3AR.
- **Friday January 20th – 10.30am:** Methodist Church, 71 Bridge St, Evesham WR11 4SF.
- **Monday January 23rd – 10.30am:** Friends Meeting House, 11 Seward Cl, Cowl St, Evesham, WR11 4PN.
- **Tuesday January 24th - 10.30am:** St Andrew's Church, Pershore Rd, Hampton, WR11 2PQ.
- **Wednesday January 25th – 10.30am:** All Saints, Market Pl, Evesham, WR11 4RW.

**For our Prayers this Week:** For those who are sick, in special need or housebound.

Mark, Dave, Sylvia, John, Colin, Pat, Sigi, Anne, Thelma, Helen (Pat's daughter).

**For the family and friends of those who have died:** Ron, Aileen, Kevin, Matthew, Aileen, Rosemary.



Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023



### Today's Services and Events –Epiphany 2

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.15am Morning Eucharist
- 11.00am Informal Gathering: Children's Groups

**Gluten free Communion breads are available.** Do please ask one of the welcomers or the Wardens if you require this.

The Church is fitted with a loop system. To use this, please switch your hearing aid to 'T'.

### Church Diary for the Week

- Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Jan – 2.00pm: Funeral at The Vale
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Jan – 12.00pm: Funeral
- Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Jan - 7.30pm: Prayer Meeting
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Jan- 10:00am: Holy Communion
- Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Jan- 10.30am: Week of Prayer Gathering
- Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Jan- 12.00pm: Funeral
- Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Jan - 10.00am: Choir Practice

### Next Sunday's Services and Events – 22<sup>nd</sup> January

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.15am Morning Eucharist
- 11.00am Informal Gathering: All Together Service

**Collect:**

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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.

**Bible Reading: Psalm 8**

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, our Sovereign,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> Out of the mouths of babes and infants

you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,  
to silence the enemy and the avenger.

<sup>3</sup> When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars that you have established;

<sup>4</sup> what are human beings that you are mindful of them,  
mortals that you care for them?

<sup>5</sup> Yet you have made them a little lower than God,  
and crowned them with glory and honour.

<sup>6</sup> You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet,

<sup>7</sup> all sheep and oxen,  
and also the beasts of the field,

<sup>8</sup> the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,  
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

<sup>9</sup> O LORD, our Sovereign,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

**Gospel Reading: John 1:29–42**

<sup>29</sup> The next day he saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, ‘Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!’ <sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, “After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.” <sup>31</sup> I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.’ <sup>32</sup> And John testified, ‘I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup> I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, “He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.”’ <sup>34</sup> And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.’

<sup>35</sup> The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup> and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, ‘Look, here is the Lamb of God!’ <sup>37</sup> The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup> When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, ‘What are you looking for?’ They said to him, ‘Rabbi’ (which translated means Teacher), ‘where are you staying?’ <sup>39</sup> He said to them, ‘Come and see.’ They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup> One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup> He first found his brother Simon and said to him, ‘We have found the Messiah’ (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup> He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, ‘You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas’ (which is translated Peter).

**Post Communion:**

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

