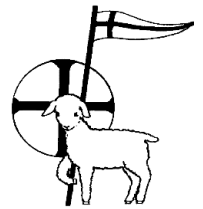


# St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



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

**The Second Sunday of Epiphany**

## Today's services

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Juliette Hulme

Setting: Mass of St Thomas *David Thorne*

Hymns: 377 Immortal, invisible, God only wise; 343 Bright the vision; 294 Just as I am

During Communion: Ave verum corpus *Mozart*

Final hymn: 56 Songs of thankfulness and praise

Organ voluntary: Final *Denis Bédard*

6.00pm Epiphany Carol Service

A special service for Epiphany, with readings and poetry as well as Epiphany hymns and carols to sing. Seasonal light refreshments will be served in church afterwards. Do come!

Led by the Revd Juliette Hulme

Music led by Stuart Robinson and St John's Choir

## Services during the week

Services of Holy Communion are held on Wednesdays at 10.00am St Andrew's Chapel (CW) and Fridays at 8.00am in the Vestry (BCP). All are welcome.

Details of online services during the week may be found on our website [www.tisburyparishchurch.org](http://www.tisburyparishchurch.org)

## Next Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

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## The Third Sunday of Epiphany

*Isaiah 9:1-4; Matthew 4:12-23*

## In Memoriam

We have been sorry to hear of a number of deaths in recent weeks:

**Greta Tanswell**, a loyal member of the choir for many years, died at Albany House in December. A service of thanksgiving for her life will take place at St John's on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 1.00pm.

**Geoff Mullins**, who helped to take care of the church grounds, died also at Albany House before Christmas. His funeral will take place at St John's on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 12 noon.

**Norman Savage**, who led the church Band from its inception and also sang in the choir, died at home at the end of December. Funeral details are not yet known.

**Jessica Gibbs**, formerly a faithful attender at Wednesday Holy Communion, died early in the New Year. Her funeral will take place at Salisbury Crematorium on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February at 1.00pm.

**Isobel Vining** died on 9<sup>th</sup> January. Her funeral will take place in St John's on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February at 11.30am.

Please pray for their families and friends at this time of mourning.

## Advent Boxes

Thank you to those of you who took Advent boxes in aid of the Children's Society. Please would you return your box as soon as possible, certainly by the end of January, so that we can send your donations to the charity. Gift Aid envelopes are available in church.

Thank you to all who contributed so generously to collections for the Children's Society at the Christingle Service (£244.00) and for the Trussell Trust at the ecumenical Village Carol Service (£510.31)

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## The Collect for the Second Sunday of Epiphany

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. Amen.

### The Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The LORD called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.' But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the LORD, and my reward with my God.'

And now the LORD says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honoured in the sight of the LORD, and my God has become my strength - he says, 'It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.'

Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, 'Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.'

### The Gospel: John 1:29-42

The next day John saw Jesus coming towards him and declared, 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, "After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me." I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel.' And John testified, 'I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 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." And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.'

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, 'Look, here is the Lamb of God!' The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 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?' 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. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated Anointed). 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).

### For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we pray for the many women growing crops, that their work will increase food supplies in the diocese.

Please pray for all suffering under cruel regimes. We pray for all political prisoners and all who are tortured. We pray for protection and justice for them and for the valiant work of Amnesty International.

Please pray for Stuart Hurley, to be baptised tomorrow at St John's, and for his wife, Michaela.



### An invitation: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 11.00am

As part of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> January), the Revd Denise Binks and the congregation of Tisbury Methodist Church invite us all to join them for their Covenant Service on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January at 11.00am, at the Methodist Church. They look forward to welcoming members of St John's and of Sacred Heart RC Church. Refreshments will be served after the service.

### Giving to the church



Thank you very much to those who continue to give regularly to the church. If you haven't committed to regular giving, why not consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme? If you go to [www.parishgiving.org.uk](http://www.parishgiving.org.uk) you can get onto the secure website and set up a login and password. This will enable you set up your own direct debit (and sign up for gift aid if applicable). Alternatively, you can pick up a leaflet in church. If you require help or advice on giving, please contact Paul Naish, email [sjtgiftaid@gmail.com](mailto:sjtgiftaid@gmail.com) tel 01747 870731. Cheques should be made payable to Tisbury PCC.