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to remind you about our other services and events.*

## **Today at St. Wilfrid's Sunday 29th January 2012**

### **The Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)**

08:00 Eucharist, 10:30 Parish Eucharist

At the 10:30 Eucharist we gather in the Hall for the Blessing of  
Candles and the Procession into Church

18:00 Prayer and Praise

### **Other Eucharist Times plus Services This Week**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 10:00am Eucharist

Wednesday 18:00 Evening Prayer, 18:30 Eucharist

Saturday - 11:30 Eucharist

## **Sunday 5th February 2012 Third Sunday before Lent**

08:00 Eucharist

10:30 Parish Eucharist

# Eucharist of Candlemas

*(We begin in the Church Hall but candles are distributed to those in church who are unable to join in the procession)*

*On the arrival of the clergy, the people's candles are lit and incense blessed.*

May the light and peace of Jesus Christ our Lord be with you

## ***And also with you***

Forty days ago we celebrated the joyful feast of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Today we recall the holy day on which he was presented in the temple, fulfilling the law of Moses and at the same time going to meet his faithful people. Led by the Spirit, Simeon and Anna came to the temple, recognized Christ as their Lord, and proclaimed him with joy.

United by the Spirit, may we now go to the house of God to welcome Christ the Lord. There we shall recognize him in the breaking of the bread until he comes again in glory.

## **Blessing of Candles: People hold their candles aloft**

Let us pray.

God our Father, source of all light, today you revealed to Simeon your Light of revelation to the nations. Bless + these candles and make them holy. May we who carry them to praise your glory walk in the path of goodness and come to the light that shines for ever. Grant this through Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

Holy Water. Incensing of people and candles

## **Choir sing and the people join in, the NUNC DIMITTIS**

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace : according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation; Which thou hast prepared : before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles : and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end.

## **Procession:**

Let us go in peace to meet the Lord.

## ***Thanks be to God***

## ***Processional Hymn 77: Christ is our cornerstone***

*There is no confession or penitential rite as the procession was our preparation*

When the clergy have censed the Altar and proceeded to their chairs, The choir sing and the people join in the **Glory be to God on high**

## **Collect for the Day**

Let us pray: Almighty and ever-living God, clothed in majesty, whose beloved Son was this day presented in the Temple, in substance of our flesh: grant that we may be presented to you with pure and clean hearts, by your Son Jesus

Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **AMEN**

## **First Reading - Malachi 3.1-5**

### **PSALM 24.**

THE earth is the Lord's, and all that therein is : the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein.

2 For he hath founded it upon the seas : and prepared it upon the floods.

3 Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord : or who shall rise up in his holy place?

4 Even he that hath clean hands, and a pure heart : and that hath not lift up his mind unto vanity, nor sworn to deceive his neighbour.

5 He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

6 This is the generation of them that seek him : even of them that seek thy face, O Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

8 Who is the King of glory : it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors : and the King of glory shall come in.

10 Who is the King of glory : even the Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

## **Second Reading - Hebrews 2.14-18**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

The light to enlighten the Gentiles

And give glory to Israel, your people

**Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

### **Gospel - Luke 2.22-40**

## **Offertory Hymn 56 Be thou my vision**

### **Prayer over the gifts**

Lord, accept the gifts your Church offers you with joy, since in fulfilment of your will your Son offered himself as a lamb without blemish for the life of the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **AMEN**

## Communion Sentence

With my own eyes I have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of all the nations.

## Hymn 527 Virgin born, we bow before thee

### Anthem: Light a candle - Burnham/Latter

### Post Communion Prayer

Lord, you fulfilled the hope of Simeon and Anna, who lived to welcome the Messiah: may we, who have received these gifts beyond words, prepare to meet Christ Jesus when he comes to bring us to eternal life; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever **AMEN**

## Hymn 242 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

**Our Schools** Nyewood Junior School, Nyewood Infants School;  
for all the staff, governors, parents and pupils of both schools.

**PLEASE  
PRAY FOR**



**The Sick** - Christine Harris, Oliver Baxter-Smith, Christine

Thomas, the Bonthron family, Shirley Johnson, Charlie Box, Lisa Elliot, David Hackett, Pat Humphries, Cherry Ward and Pat Tyache, Joanna Holley, Joan Gould, and Robert Harris

**The Departed** - Jamie Clark

## DIARY DATES

18th February

Angels Day

The Parish will be holding an Angels Day workshop on Saturday 18 February 9:30 am - 12:00 noon. Pictures of angels of all kinds are required, traditional and more unusual ones. If you have any pictures that could be used Anne Latter will be pleased to receive them.



**TODDLER CORNER** For pre-school children. There are activity sheets on the table by the south porch for older children to use.

**IN AN EMERGENCY NOTE THE EXITS - MAIN ENTRANCE PORCH, EAST DOOR,  
CHOIR VESTRY AND SOUTH PORCH.**

**FIRST AID BOXES ARE OUTSIDE THE CHOIR VESTRY AND IN THE HALL**