

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.

FIRST READING Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

PSALM 36

Dixit injustus

5. Thy mercy O Lord reacheth unto the heavens: and thy faithfulness unto the clouds.
6. Thy righteousness standeth like the strong mountains: thy judgements are like the great deep.
7. Thou Lord shall save both man and beast, How excellent is thy mercy O God: and the children of men shall put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.
8. They shall be satisfied with the plenteousness of thy house: and thou shalt give them drink of thy pleasures as out of the river.
9. For with thee is the well of life: and in thy light shall we see light.
10. O continue forth thy loving-kindness unto them that know thee: and thy righteousness unto them that are true of heart.

SECOND READING Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

GOSPEL John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Please pray for our two Church Aided Schools:

Nyewood Junior School, (in special measures), for the acting head teacher, Sandra Jones and Nyewood Infants School; for the head teacher, Jacqui Cobb and for all the teaching staff, governors, parents and pupils. Father Andrew takes assemblies at 9.10 on Wednesdays at the Infants School and at 9.00 on Thursdays at the Junior School

Please pray for those who are sick or in need, including:-

Christine Harris, Oliver Baxter-Smith, Joyce Brett, Christine MacKay, Christine Thomas, Joan Soothill, Ron Thomas, James Inwood, Edna Moody, the Bonthrone family

Father Andrew is available for those who wish to make their confessions. Please arrange this with him and note his day off is Monday. He is also available from 4.30 pm to 5.00 pm in the Lady Chapel on Saturdays.

TODDLER CORNER This area in church is for pre-school children. There are activity sheets on the table by the south porch for older children to use in their places during the service. Please collect them before the service begins.

JUNIOR CHURCH the children will be taking part in the Family Eucharist

17 JANUARY - 3-4 pm A Christian Unity Family Celebration with Ishmael at the Methodist Church, Waterloo Square

Please email any material for Bulletin 40 to bulletin@wilfrid.com by 18 January. Alternatively please leave material in the office, marked with your name, date submitted and telephone number for Helen Woods' attention.

20 JANUARY - PCC meeting at 7.15 pm in the committee room

25 JANUARY – House Group meeting at Abbeyfield 2-4 pm

28 JANUARY - House group meeting – venue to be confirmed

30 JANUARY - - Auction of Promises, 7.00 pm in the hall. Please see the Promises forms on the narthex table for details. Tickets are available from Chris Sheppard after the Eucharist and from the office during the week.

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, THE EXITS ARE THE NARTHEX, EAST DOOR, CHOIR VESTRY AND SOUTH PORCH. FIRST AID BOXES ARE OUTSIDE THE CHOIR VESTRY AND IN THE HALL



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17th January 2010 Second Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome to the parish church of St Wilfrid.

We welcome all our visitors today and invite you to join us for refreshments in the Hall after the service.

SERVICES TODAY

Holy Communion 08.00
Family Eucharist – Christian Unity 10.30

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Monday 18 Jan Eucharist 10.00
Tuesday 19 Jan Eucharist 10.00
Wulfstan, Bishop of Worcester 1095
Wednesday 20 Jan Evening Prayer 18.00
Eucharist 18.30
Eucharist Unity 10.00
Thursday 21 Jan Eucharist Unity
Agnes, child martyr at Rome. 304
Friday 22 Jan Eucharist The Cross 10.00
Saturday 23 Jan Eucharist Mary 11.30
Evening Prayer 17.00

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY - 24 January

The third Sunday of Epiphany
Holy Communion 08.00
Parish Eucharist 10.30