

# ST BOTOLPH

C A M B R I D G E



## **Mattins *with* Holy Communion** **The First Sunday after the Epiphany**

**9<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 11.00am**

**Celebrant and Preacher**  
**Revd Margaret Widdess**

¶ *There is no choir this morning; please sing enthusiastically!*

¶ *Please stand when the celebrant enters.*

## WELCOME

*THE VERSICLES AND RESPONSES (spoken)*

O Lord, open thou our lips.

**And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.**

O God, make speed to save us.

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

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.**

Praise ye the Lord.

**The Lord's Name be praised.**

*THE VENITE (Psalm 95) (verses spoken alternately)*

**O** COME, let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving: and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.**

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

**In his hand are all the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hills is his also.**

The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry land.

**O come, let us worship and fall down: and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

For he is the Lord our God: and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

**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.**

¶ *Please sit.*

*THE FIRST LESSON (read by Dan Jones)*

*The first lesson is written in the forty-second chapter of the Book of the prophet Isaiah, beginning at the first verse.*

**B**EHOLD my servant, whom I uphold; mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgment to the Gentiles. He shall not cry, nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street. A bruised reed shall he not break, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judgment unto truth. He shall not fail nor be discouraged, till he have set judgment in the earth: and the isles shall wait for his law. Thus saith God the Lord, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out; he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it; he that giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein: I the Lord have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; to open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house. I am the Lord: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images. Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them.

*Here endeth the first lesson.*

¶ *Please stand.*

*PSALM 67 (verses spoken alternately)*

**G**OD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:

**That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.**

Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

**O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.**

Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people praise thee.

**Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.**

God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

**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.**

¶ *Please sit.*

*THE SECOND LESSON (read by Clare Gore-Owers)*

*The second lesson is written in the second chapter of the Gospel according to St Luke, beginning at the forty-first verse.*

**N**OW his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them. And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

*Here endeth the second lesson.*

¶ *Please stand*

*THE BENEDICTUS (spoken alternately)*

**B**LESSED be the Lord God of Israel: for he hath visited, and redeemed his people;  
**And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us: in the house of his servant David;**

As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets: which have been since the world began;

**That we should be saved from our enemies: and from the hands of all that hate us;**

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers: and to remember his holy covenant;

**To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham: that he would give us,**

That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies: might serve him without fear,

**In holiness and righteousness before him: all the days of our life.**

And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

**To give knowledge of salvation unto his people: for the remission of their sins;**

Through the tender mercy of our God: whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us;

**To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death: and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

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.**

**I** BELIEVE in God  
**the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholick Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen.**

¶ *Please kneel or sit.*

#### *THE PRAYERS*

##### *Collect for the First Sunday after the Epiphany*

**O** LORD, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

##### *Collect for the Epiphany*

**O** GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant, that we, which know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

##### *Collect for Peace*

**O** GOD, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ *Please stand.*

##### *Collect for Grace*

**O** LORD, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**O** GOD, the Creator and Preserver of all, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of thy people; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially, we pray for the good estate of thy Holy Church: that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. We commend to thy fatherly goodness all those, who are any ways afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body or estate; that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of their afflictions. All this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. **Amen.**

¶ *Please sit*

*THE SERMON*  
**The Revd Margaret Widdess**

¶ *Please kneel or sit*

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION*

**Y**E that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

**A**LMIGHTY God,  
**F**ather of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*THE ABSOLUTION*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; + pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

¶ *Please stand.*

*THE SURSUM CORDA*

**T**HE Lord be with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**It is meet and right so to do.**

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing:

*THE SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS*

**H**OLY, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, **H**O Lord most High. Amen. + Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

¶ *Please kneel or sit*

*THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION*

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again: Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech

thee; and grant that by the power of the Holy Spirit, we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed + Body and Blood: Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me.* Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: *Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.* Amen.

*THE AGNUS DEI*

**O** LAMB of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

*THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION*

**T**HE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving. Amen.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER*

**O**UR Father,  
which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

*THE PRAYER OF OBLATION*

**A**Lmighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us, who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of the most precious death and passion of thy dear Son. And we most humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

¶ *Please stand.*

*THE GLORIA*

**G**LORY be to God on high,  
and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*THE BLESSING*

**T**HE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

¶ *Please stand*

**Recessional Hymn NEH 57**

1 The race that long in darkness pined  
Have seen a glorious light;  
The people dwell in day, who dwelt  
In death's surrounding night.

2 To hail thy rise, thou better Sun,  
The gathering nations come,  
Joyous as when the reapers bear  
The harvest-treasures home

3 To us a Child of hope is born,  
To us a Son is given;  
Him shall the tribes of earth obey,  
Him all the hosts of heaven.

4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace,  
For evermore adored;  
The Wonderful, the Counsellor,  
The great and mighty Lord

5 His power increasing still shall spread;  
His reign no end shall know:  
Justice shall guard his throne above,  
And peace abound below.

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**EPIPHANY CAROL SERVICE**  
**TODAY at 4.30pm**



Readings, carols and anthems, with congregational hymns,  
celebrating the message of Epiphany

The choir of St Botolph's *with* David Poulter *organ*

*Directed by* Tim Brown

**~ALL WELCOME~**