



ST MARY'S CHURCH, THORPE

Diocese of Guildford
TRANSFORMING CHURCH
TRANSFORMING LIVES

Vicar: The Revd. Father Damian Stewart Harrison-Miles, BTh. 01932 565986

St Mary's Vicarage, Church Approach, Thorpe Village, TW20 8TQ

Email: stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com



facebook



St Mary's is committed to inclusivity
and there is always a warm welcome
for all.



Charity No: 1176929

Churchwardens:

Barry Huxley 01932 564168
Peter Gruncell 01784 436040

CHURCH COPYRIGHT LICENCES: A1427605 / STREAMING LICENCE A38399 / CHURCH VIDEO LICENCE A121131 / ONE LICENCE A-733997

Sunday 10th January 2021

Baptism of Christ

Welcome to St Mary's Church, Thorpe. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Wardens on duty upon arrival.
For use of the Church Hearing Loop, please select T.

TODAY WE USE THE RECYCLABLE SERVICE SHEET

PLEASE PARK IN THE VICARAGE CAR PARK OR CHURCH APPROACH

8am Eucharist with congregation

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Damian. Server & Reader: Andy West.
Warden: Bev Germany. Welcome: Kim Stangroom.

10am Parish Eucharist with congregation and online

At 10am Car Parking for permit holders in TASIS South Campus car park

Procession On Jordan's bank the Baptist cry

Offertory O Jesus I have promised

Communion Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Recessional Guide me, O thou great redeemer

Celebrant & Preacher: Fr Damian. Warden: Barry Huxley.

Welcome: Jim & Jane Lowe. Servers: Catherine Wareham-Davies & Steve Mante. Readers: Tony Grove & Margaret Roberts.

Intercessions: Bridgett Grove.

Pre-recorded music will be used for the Mass.

Sunday 10am is uploaded to our website, usually by 12noon.

7pm Compline online (No congregation in Church)

Led by: Mtr Jo

Sermon Notes for today will be available on the website shortly.

Children's Colouring Sheets are available via our weekly mailer – please contact stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com to sign up.

ST MARY'S INTERCESSIONS Please remember in your prayers:

The Sick (immediate need): James & his family, Jannette Taunton, Rosemarie Dancer, Ian Dean, Bryan Lowe, Gwyn, Andrea, Andrew Buchanan, Alice Armstrong, Peter Silvester, Stuart Hatch, Pat Joseph, Carol Mason, Sarah Bradshaw, David Woodward & Kirsty Fuller. **Continuing prayers:** Sue Dean, John Brittain, Serina Tatham, Elaine Gill, Robert Marsh, David de Ville, Stephen Coling, Brian O'Kane, David Oldfield, Mark Wardell, Miles Herne, Alice McGonnell, Zoe Reeves, Meryl, Patti & Bishop Peter Hancock. **General Prayer Requests:** All affected by Covid-19, and those in the NHS facing a second wave of infections & vaccine roll-out planning, terrorism & natural disasters. **The Elderly & Infirm:** John, June, Elaine, Margot, Joan, Jean, Margaret & Ruth. **The Recently Departed:** Debbie Tribe, Giles Bartleman & Franco Focosi. **Anniversaries of Death:** Margaret Coates, Douglas Emerton, Roy Albon, Frank Muir, Nicola Boswell, Alan De Vere, Leonard Scammell, Cyril Carter.

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion – for those who are participating in the Mass from home: *My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to possess you within me. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart, as I embrace you as being already there and unite myself wholly to You: permit not that I should ever be separated from you. Amen*

Prayers as we fight Coronavirus – please see the attached with various prayers for use at home during this time of lockdown.

Everyone is encouraged to pray for our clergy team, churchwardens and PCC at this very challenging time. Please also pray for our local school leaders, their staff and the children and young people they serve - Thorpe Primary, Thorpe preschool Nursery and TASIS.

DURING THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Monday	10am Morning Prayer <i>online</i> led by Fr Gerard 7pm Said Eucharist <i>online</i> 7.30pm PCC meeting via Zoom
Tuesday	9am staff meeting via messenger. 10am Morning Prayer <i>online</i> led by Fr Damian 1pm Collective Worship for Thorpe Primary School via Zoom with Fr Damian.
Wednesday	10am Morning Prayer <i>online</i> led by Mtr Jo 10am Said Eucharist with congregation in Church & online led by Fr Gerard
Thursday	10am Morning Prayer <i>online</i> led by Fr Damian
Friday	Fr Damian off duty today 10am Morning Prayer <i>online</i> led by Mtr Jo
Saturday	10am Morning Prayer <i>online</i> led by Fr Gerard

Next Sunday – 17th January 2021

Epiphany 2

8am Said Eucharist *with congregation*

10am Parish Eucharist *with congregation and online*

11.30am Family Service *online & via Zoom*

7pm Compline *online*

10.00am Car Parking for permit holders in TASIS South Campus car park.



ST MARY'S CHURCH REMAINS OPEN FOR COVID-SECURE

COMMUNAL WORSHIP AND FUNERAL SERVICES - Our PCC have unanimously voted to remain open at this time for three services of communal worship: Wednesday 10am, Sunday 8am & 10am. We are moving all other services online from 07/01/21. However, we would encourage everyone who has access to Facebook to consider joining worship online at this time. We wish to remain open especially for those who live alone, or don't have access to the internet and wish to keep everyone safe. Do NOT leave your home or attend Church if you feel unwell in any way at all.

PLEASE NOTE COVID PROCEDURES APPLY FOR ALL SERVICES

Please come in good time to follow entry procedure: Entrance is via the Rutherwyke Room kitchen/back door. All must wash their hands, wear a face mask* and sign-in (for Test & Trace purposes). Please do not sing – you can hum along quietly with your mask on. Keep to social distancing and one-way-system through church at all times. THANK YOU for complying with the rules to KEEP US SAFE.

A very warm welcome to members of other church communities who are joining us for some of our online worship at this time. If you would like to join the mailer please email stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com. You can download the latest service sheet for the Eucharist at www.stmaryschurchthorpe.co.uk – welcome!

Pastoral Support – You can call the Vicarage on 01932 565986 and leave a message, and Fr Damian will ensure one of the clergy team get back to you asap. Existing buddy-up relationships are encouraged and please do keep in touch with those who live alone, receive care in their own homes or don't have internet access. Please let us know of anyone you are in touch with who would appreciate being part of the next printed mailer - we will need their name and address to be able to deliver a care pack to them. Email details to: stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com

Runnymede Food Bank - We remain a donation point for Foodbank items - please be as generous as you can. There is a green crate outside the Rutherwyke Room / Link door (under the canopy) where items can be left. This will be checked and emptied daily.

Family Packs - We will be producing a weekly Family Pack from Sunday 10th January throughout lockdown with all sorts of activities, games, teaching, puzzles and colouring sheets. These may be useful for all ages! If you have anything to contribute please do email the parish office with ideas and suggestions.

Gift Aided donations/Collection for Services via <https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchThorpe/> click **DONATE**. Cheques: St Mary's Church Thorpe.

Items for newsletter by 12nn Wednesdays; items for mailer by 12nn Thursdays - all to stmaryschurchthorpe@outlook.com please.

THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST

YEAR B

COLLECT

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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.**

FIRST READING **Genesis 1.1–5**

A reading from the book of Genesis.

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM **Psalms 29**

R **The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
[the God of glory thunders].**

Ascribe to the Lord, you gods, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due to his name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. **R**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders; the Lord is upon the mighty waters. The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice; the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendour. **R**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees; the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon; He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox. **R**

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire; the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness; the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare. And in the temple of the Lord all are crying, 'Glory!' **R**

The Lord sits enthroned above the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore. The Lord shall give strength to his people; the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace. **R**

SECOND READING

Acts 19.1–7

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples. He said to them, 'Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?' They replied, 'No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.' Then he said, 'Into what then were you baptized?' They answered, 'Into John's baptism.' Paul said, 'John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, in Jesus.' On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied – altogether there were about twelve of them.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Mark 1.4–11

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN 1 *Charles Coffin 1676-1749*

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh;
awake, and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings.

Then cleansed be ev'ry breath from sin:
make straight the way for God within;
prepare we in our hearts a home,
where such a mighty guest may come.

For thou art our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without thy grace we waste away,
like flowe'rs that wither and decay.

To heal the sick stretch out thine hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth and let thy light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee
whose advent doth thy people free,
whom with the Father we adore
and Holy Ghost for evermore.

HYMN 2 *John Ernest Bode 1816-1874*

O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my friend:
I shall not fear the battle
if thou art by my side,
not wander from the pathway
if thou wilt be my guide.

O let me feel thee near me:
the world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,
the tempting sounds I hear;
my foes are ever near me,
around me and within;
but, Jesus, draw thou nearer,
and shield my soul from sin.

O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak and make me listen,
thou guardian of my soul.

O Jesus, thou hast promised,
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end:
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my friend.

O let me see thy foot-marks,
and in them plant mine own;
my hope to follow duly
is in thy strength alone:
O guide me, call me, draw me,
uphold me to the end;
and then in heav'n receive me,
my Saviour and my friend.

HYMN 3 *G Moultrie 1829-1885*

Let all mortal flesh keep silence
and with fear and trembling stand;
ponder nothing earthly-minded,
for with blessing in his hand
Christ our God on earth descendeth,
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,
as of old on earth he stood,
Lord of lords, in human vesture,
in the body and the blood.
He will give to all the faithful
his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven
spreads its vanguard on the way,
as the Light of light descendeth
from the realms of endless day,
that the pow'rs of hell may vanish
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph;
cherubim, with sleepless eye,
veil their faces to the Presence,
as with ceaseless voice they cry,
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, Lord most high.

HYMN 4 *Peter Williams 1727-1796*

Guide me, O thou great Redeemer,
pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
hold me with thy pow'rful hand:
Bread of Heaven, Bread of Heaven,
feed me till I want no more,
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through:
strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer
be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death, and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side:
songs and praises, songs of praises,
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.