

The Parish Church of
St Werburgh
Spondon



Parish Mass for the
Third Sunday of Epiphany.
10am, Sunday 21st January

Welcome!



**Welcome to
this community
of healing**

St Werburgh's stands in the catholic tradition of the Church of England and is part of a group of worshipping communities that in traditional and new ways try to practise the generous Gospel of Jesus Christ. Together we are exploring a way of living inspired by joyful worship, taking seriously the the challenge of following Jesus Christ. Welcome to this community of healing.

Our celebrant today is Mtr Kate.

- PLEASE LEAVE BY THE SOUTH DOORS IN THE BAPTISTRY where tea and coffee are available after the service.
- Everybody is welcome here regardless of race, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, addictions or beliefs, single or partnered, we are all God's people
- Everybody is welcome to receive Holy Communion in this church of whatever age or wherever you are on the path of life – all of the bread is gluten free. And our wine is alcohol free. NOBODY MUST RECEIVE.
- There are large print service books available; church always has lots of words, we try to be dyslexia friendly – if you need your book on a different colour paper or in a different font just ask a welcomer
- This church is fitted with a hearing loop, if you experience difficulty hearing the service, then please let a welcomer know
- FEEL FREE TO BREASTFEED, if you would prefer more privacy and a comfy sofa just use Can J's office, one of the welcomers can show you.
- Don't worry about babies making a noise during the service, feel free to get up and walk about,... there's no need ever to "Shush" kids.
- Toilets with baby changing facilities are located through the doors at the back.
- Adults who find kids an issue are free to go into the Tower Vestry, it has glass doors and a speaker so you can still hear the service. We aim for the Tower Vestry to be an 'autistic friendly' space, but please find wherever it is comfortable for you.



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This makes a huge difference to us and ensures your gift each week as even if you cannot always be here.

The Notices are given after which silence is kept.

We stand to sing our first hymn: (99)

**Hail to the Lord's Anointed,
great David's greater Son!
Hail in the time appointed,
his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression,
to set the captive free;
to take away transgression,
and rule in equity.**

**He comes with succour speedy
to those who suffer wrong;
to help the poor and needy,
and bid the weak be strong;
to give them songs for sighing,
their darkness turn to light,
whose souls, condemned and dying,
are precious in his sight.**

**He shall come down like showers
upon the fruitful earth;
love, joy, and hope, like flowers,
spring in his path to birth.
Before him on the mountains,
shall peace, the herald, go,
and righteousness, in fountains,
from hill to valley flow.**

**To him shall prayer unceasing
and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing,
a kingdom without end.
The tide of time shall never
his covenant remove;
his name shall stand forever;
that name to us is love.**

In the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The service is introduced.

The Child of Bethlehem breaks down the world's boundaries. Let us therefore rejoice and bring our fragility, our failings, and the frailty of our compromise into God's unlimited forgiveness.

A time of silence is kept for personal reflection.

You share your love with every people; we draw limits of race and creed.

Lord have mercy. x4

You immerse yourself in love of life; We hold back in fear and shame.

Christ have mercy. x4

You change the water into wine; we refuse to let our hearts be moved.

Lord have mercy. x4

May the God of all love and power, forgive and free you from your sins, heal and strengthen you through the Holy Spirit and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Glory, glory to God, glory in the highest

peace to his people on earth, peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father!

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory!

Glory, glory to God, glory in the highest

peace to his people on earth, peace to his people on earth.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world,

have mercy on us.

For you are seated at the right hand of the Father,

receive our prayer, receive our prayer, receive our prayer,

You alone are the holy One, you alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Lord, you alone are the most high Jesus Christ,

with the Holy Spirit in the glory, the glory,

the glory of God the Father.

Amen! Amen! Amen!

Amen! Amen! Amen!

Let us pray:

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord.

Amen

All sit for the reading

A reading from the Book of Genesis

(14.17-20)

After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

For the Word of God in Scripture,
for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

Thanks be to God.

All stand as the Gospel is brought into the nave.

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**Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love the way you love,
and do what you would do.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until my will is one with yours,
to do and to endure.**

**Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with you the perfect life
for all eternity.**

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (2.1-11)
Glory to you O Lord.

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.

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

We sit for the sermon.

After which we remain silent.

Let us affirm together our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Creator, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in God.

Do you believe and trust in God's Son Jesus Christ, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?

I believe and trust in God.

Do you believe and trust in God's Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

I believe and trust in God.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

We sit or kneel to pray.

The intercessions end with....

**Loving God, meet us in this silence,
hear our prayers and fill us with your love.
Amen.**

The children return to church and share what they have been doing.

We share the Peace of Christ.

Jesus makes us one humanity, breaking down every wall.
The peace of the Lord be always with you!
And also with you!

We offer each other a sign of peace

*The children are invited to come and stand around the altar with Mtr Kate for
the Eucharistic Prayer.*

We sing the offertory hymn (454)

**Love is his word, love is his way,
feasting with men, fasting alone,
living and dying, rising again,
Love, only love, is his way.**

***Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:
better than splendour and wealth.***

**Love is his way, love is his mark,
sharing his last Passover feast,
Christ at his table, host to the twelve.
Love, only love, is his mark.**

**Love is his mark, love is his sign,
bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
"This is my body, this is my blood",
Love, only love, is his sign.**

**Love is his sign, love is his news,
"Do this," he said, "lest you forget
all my deep sorrow, all my dear blood."
Love, only love, is his news.**

**Love is his news, love is his name,
we are his own, chosen and called,
family, brethren, cousins and kin.
Love, only love, is his name.**

**Love is his name, love is his law.
Hear his command, all who are his:
"Love one another, I have loved you."
Love, only love, is his law.**

**Love is his law, love is his word:
love of the Lord, Father and Word,
love of the Spirit, God ever one.
Love, only love, is his word.**

When all is ready, we remain standing and come to solemn prayer:

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give thanks and praise.

We thankyou God of many names, whose Spirit runs free through all the earth, whose image lies deep in every mortal soul. In your grace your Word is made known to every people, calling forth the best they have to offer; your Beloved is immersed in the waters of creation, healing the chaos that floods our world; your Son is the guest who offers new wine changing hearts grown withered and cold. Therefore we celebrate the rays of morning light that bathe the world in glory and kindle a new song:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Power and God of might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. X2**

**Blessed is he, blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name
he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. X2**

We ask that your Holy Spirit will fall upon us and upon these gifts that these fragile, earthly things may be to us the body and blood of our Lord and brother, Jesus Christ;

who, on the night that he was betrayed, gathered with his faltering friends for a meal that tasted of freedom. Calling them to his table, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and said: 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this to remember me.' +.

In the same way after supper, he took the cup, saying: 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, to remember me.' As on that night, so here and now he offers himself in touch and taste beyond all words can hold. +

Therefore, in our eating and drinking we are filled with the life-giving presence of Christ; we proclaim him as creation's host, transforming poverty into plenty in the reckless generosity of love. Inspire us with the hope that one day death and greed will be no more and people without number will come from east and west, north and south to share the kingdom meal.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom and in whom in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honour and glory be yours, God of all blessing, for ever and ever.

Amen! Amen! Amen!

All sit to pray together :

As our Saviour taught so we pray:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

**Though we are many we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Receive what you are, the Body of Christ.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion in this Church.

All of our bread is gluten free and our wine is alcohol free. (An alcoholic chalice is available in the Lady Chapel for those who choose to receive alcoholic sacrament.)

We form two queues up the side aisles and return to our seats down the central aisle.

Jesus, Lamb of God; Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God; Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lamb of God; Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

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**Thou, whose almighty Word
Chaos and darkness heard,
And took their flight;
Hear us, we humbly pray,
And, where the Gospel's day
Sheds not its glorious ray,
Let there be light!**

**Thou, who didst come to bring
On Thy redeeming wing
Healing and sight,
Health to the sick in mind,
Sight to the inly blind,
O now, to all mankind,
Let there be light!**

**Spirit of truth and love,
Life giving, holy Dove,
Speed forth Thy flight;
Move on the water's face
Bearing the lamp of grace,
And, in earth's darkest place,
Let there be light!**

**Blessèd and holy Three,
Glorious Trinity,
Wisdom, love, might!
Boundless as ocean's tide,
Rolling in fullest pride,
Through the world far and wide,
Let there be light!**

When all have received Holy Communion and the altar is cleared together we pray:

God of Love, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.

We stand for the Blessing:

God be with you.

And also with you.

May Christ, who draws the nations to himself, teach us to love our enemies, and the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with us this day and always. **Amen.**

We sing the recessional hymn

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**Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.**

**Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified;
no angels in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends their burning eye
at mysteries so bright.**

**Crown him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.**

**Go take Christ to the world!
Thanks be to God.**