



Welcome to St. Peter's Green Lane, Formby L37 7DL

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PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK:

We pray for;

St Peter's Formby
Our Vicar Anne & Curate Nathan
Churchwardens

For the residents of;

Harington Road, Squirrel Green, Proctor Road,
Gorse Way and Larkhill Lane

For the sick: Alan, Elizabeth, Lyn, Michael those
in hospital and our parishioners who are
housebound or living in Nursing Homes

For the recently departed; Patricia Manning,
and those whose anniversary of death falls at this
time.

The Altar flowers are
sponsored by Pat
Smith
to mark the birthday of
Eric Holdsworth on the
7th January



Parish of St Peter, Formby

EPIPHANY

6th January 2019

Services for Today:

8.00am Eucharist (BCP)

10.00am Parish Eucharist

Epiphany

Prelude: Corelli: Pastorale (Christmas Concerto)

Gathering

94 As with gladness men of old

Gradual

679 In Christ there is no east or west

Offertory

105 We three kings of Orient are

During Communion

Choir Ouseley: From the rising of the sun

Howells: Here is the little door

88 What child is this, who, laid to rest

Post Communion

103 O worship the Lord in the beauty of
holiness

Voluntary: Bach: In dir ist freude

6.30pm Choral Evensong

Prelude: Purvis: Prelude on Greensleeves

Introit Britten: A New Year Carol

812 Through all the changing scenes of life

46 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

650 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father

Anthem: Darke: In the bleak midwinter

Psalm 132 on page 296

First reading: Jeremiah 31: 7-14

read by Pat Downey

Second reading: John 1: 29-34

read by Andrew Kellaway

Voluntary: Bach: In dulci júbilo (BWV 729)

The Collect;

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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 forever. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word;

Epistle Reading;

Ephesians 3: 1-12

Our reading today is read by;

Sue Parkes

I, Paul, am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles - for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Gospel Reading;

Matthew 2: 1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: "And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.'" Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, 'Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.' When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage.

Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

Intercessions by

Sue Gillam

Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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DIARY FOR THIS WEEK:

Monday 7th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Formby Chapel
10.45am	No Meditation – resumes on Monday 14 th January	Bier House
2.00pm-3.30pm	Singing For Fun	Bier House

Tuesday 8th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Bier House
10.00am	Bible Study	Bier House



Wednesday 9th

11.00am	Eucharist (<i>followed by refreshments</i>)	Church/Bier House
7.30pm	No Bible Study this evening	Bier House

Thursday 10th

9.00am	Morning Prayer	Formby Chapel
2.00pm	Mother's Union Meeting	Bier House

Friday 11th

9.15am	No Little Fishes – resumes on 18 th January	Parish Hall
2.00pm	Patricia Manning Funeral	Thornton Crematorium

Sunday 13th

2nd Sunday of Epiphany

8.00am	Eucharist (BCP)	Church
10.00am	Parish Eucharist & Sunday Club	Church/Bier House
6.30pm	Choral Evensong	Church

Dates for your diary

January

16 th	2.00pm	WOW Service	
	3.15pm	Fishy Club	
20 th	10.00am	Sunday Club	
	4.00pm	Christian Unity Service – Elim Church	
23 rd	7.30pm	Bible Study with Alison Woodhouse – future dates:- Feb 13 th & 27 th , March 13 th & 27 th , April 10 th .	
27 th	12 noon	Hot Dog Service	
	6.30pm	Service of Wholeness	

Please save any **used stamps** from your **Christmas cards** for the Bone Cancer Research Trust box in the porch, remembering to leave a 1cm border. Many thanks for all your support.

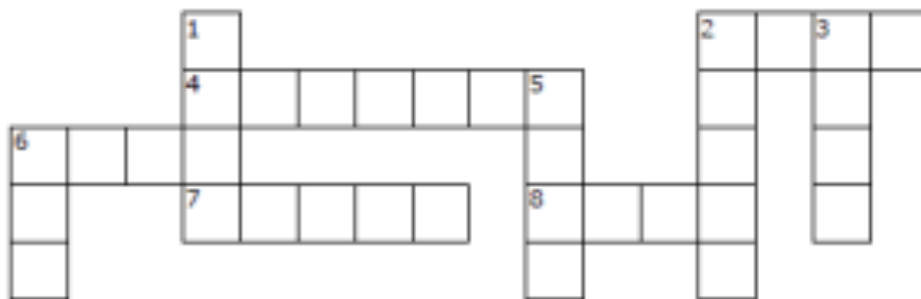
CHRISTIAN AID ADVENT CALENDARS. Please bring your Advent Calendar money to the church this month. There is a clearly labelled box at the back of church to receive them or you may give them to Carol Paine. Thank you very much for your support.

Christian Aid Ceilidh with live music from The Cauty Band – **Holy Trinity Church Hall, Formby**
Saturday 19th January 7.00pm Admission £10.00, under 18's £5 by ticket only. Includes hot pot meal.
Bring your own drinks and nibbles..
Tickets must be purchased by 14th January - Tickets available from Carol Paine

Advent Collection – we are pleased to announce that £642.60 was raised for the **Samaritans**. Thank you for your donations.

Christingle Collection – we are pleased to announce that £1444.91 was raised for **The Children's Society**. Thank you for your donations.

Crossword



ACROSS

2. The wise men who visited Jesus and Mary and Joseph shortly after Jesus was born
4. A substance that is burned to produce a sweet smell
6. To come into existence by birth
7. Presents which are given without cost to the one receiving them
8. A twinkling point of light in the night sky

DOWN

1. A male ruler of a country
2. A sticky substance with a strong smell which is used in making perfume
3. A valuable, shiny, yellow metal used to make coins and jewellery
5. The direction which is opposite to west
6. To kneel or bend the head or body forward as a show of respect

MAGI	BOW	STAR	GOLD	KING
GIFTS	EAST	BORN	MYRRH	INCENSE