

St Peter's Hammersmith

I 2th January 2024 (Baptism of the Lord)

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10. 30 am	HOLY COMMUNION

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Children's club:	NA
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Coffee:	Caroline Langton, MP, Sarah Cruz
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+ 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.

We ask God for healing and forgiveness

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

You bring pardon and peace to the broken in heart. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

You make one by your Spirit the torn and divided. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

The priest pronounces the Absolution

Glory to God in the highest, and 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. 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; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The 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.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Isaiah 43.1-7

But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honoured, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, 'Give them up', and to the south, 'Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.'

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

Luke 3.15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.' Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. 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.**

We sit for at the sermon, and stand to affirm our faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world ?

We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed humanity ? We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God ? We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church. This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen. We sit or kneel for intercessions, for which the following response may be used

Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

And at the end,

Merciful Father, accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Liturgy of the Sacrament

We stand for the peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

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Eucharistic 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.

The priest praise God for his mighty acts, and all respond:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The priest recalls the Last Supper, and the prayer ends with the doxology, to which all respond:

Amen.

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, for ever 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. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

The congregation are invited to communion with the words

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper. Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Those who wish to receive the wine as well as the wafer are asked to do so through intinction (that is, dipping the wafer into the wine) rather than drinking directly from the chalice. Please ask the priest if you require a gluten-free wafer.

During communion, the choir sing the anthem "Come Down, O LoveDivine" (W. Harris)

HYMN 56 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise (omitting verse 4)

After all have received, the priest prays the post communion prayer, and we say together

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

We remain seated for notices, and stand for the blessing

HYMN 436 Praise My Soul

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

MEN'S LUNCH continues monthly on Tuesdays at 12.30 pm, gathering again on Tuesday 14th January at the Black Lion Pub, on Black Lion Lane. No need for advance booking. Do join us if you are able. Email Richard Millar (richardmillar@supanet.com) for more information.

SUNDAY SUPPERS provides hot meals to the homeless, and those experiencing food poverty, every Sunday evening at Rivercourt Methodist Church. To help, contact Vicky Lawrence (07939 083466). Volunteering hours are 6 to 9.15pm, except for cooking teams who start earlier. We're again collecting warm clothing and sturdy footwear for our guests (bring donations to St Peter's).

THE MIRROR CRACK'D by Agatha Christie (starring Alison DuCane as Miss Marple!) Friday 7 to Saturday 15 February 7.45 pm (no Sunday show) Tickets £14 (£10 for members) via www.BromleyLittleTheatre.org

HELP WITH COST OF LIVING. Hammersmith and Fulham Council have produced a helpful booklet with information on sources of help and support for anyone struggling to manage this winter. Do pass this on to anyone you think might find it helpful.You can access it at lbhf.gov.uk/ costofliving or by scanning the QR code.



Please note that the **VICAR WILL BE ON STUDY LEAVE** from January 15th. In the first instance, contact the church wardens or the parish office with any inquiries.

ANUARY 19th	(Second Sunday	of Epiphany)
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- 8 am HOLY COMMUNION
- 9 am FAMILY WORSHIP
- 10.30 am HOLY COMMUNION
- 6.30 pm EVENING PRAYER

(Psalm 97; Isaiah 49:14-23; John 12:20-36)