EPIPMANU

5 **January** 2020



(The Adoration of the Magi, by Jacopo Bassano, 1542 : founf in the National Gallery of Scotland in Edinburgh)

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RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION EVERYONE WHO IS BAPTISED IS WELCOME

to share with us in Communion at all services. There is no need to be a member of the Episcopal

Church. Please feel free to celebrate with us. If you are not baptised or would prefer, you are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing (simply come forward with hands together and head bowed as a sign to the priest). +++

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THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD Readers & Intercessors

St A: Joan M / Jan M / Lois M / Ramsay M St J : Diana M / Gill P / Isla C / Alan D

+ First Reading : Isaiah 60:1-6

+ Psalm 72:1-4, 10-14

All kings shall bow down before him, and all the nations do him service.

All kings shall bow down before him, and all the nations do him service.

Give the King your justice, O God, and your righteousness to the King's Son; That he may rule your people righteously and the poor with justice; That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people,

and the little hills bring righteousness.

All kings shall bow down before him, and all the nations do him service. He shall defend the needy among the people; he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute,

and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.

All kings shall bow down before him, and all the nations do him service.

For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, and the oppressed who has no helper. He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; he shall preserve the lives of the needy.

All kings shall bow down before him, and all the nations do him service.

He shall redeem their lives

from oppression and violence,

and dear shall their blood be in his sight.

All kings shall bow down before him, and all the nations do him service.

+ Second Reading : Ephesians 3:1-12

Gradual Hymn / Alleluia

+ The Holy Gospel : Matthew 2:1-12

PRAYER REQUESTS

For grace to be Jesus' hands, feet, voice, eyes & heart in the world...that we all may LIVE and BE the GOOD NEWS.

OUR WORLD

For an end to terrorism and hatred in all its forms. For our fellow Christians and all who are persecuted for their faith.

OUR COMMUNION

Pray for the peace and unity of the Church. Pray for our sisters and brothers of the Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia : The Most Revd Philip Richardson - Bishop of Taranaki and Primate The Most Revd Don Tamihere -Pihopa o Aotearora and Primate The Most Revd Fereimi Cama - Bishop of Polynesia and Primate **OUR DIOCESE**

For all our brothers & sisters in the Porvoo Communion of Churches. For Sandra W, Bp Kevin, Dr John S, Fr Ian B, Valerie C, Rebekah C, Joshua C, Lisa C, their families and all who are studying for Ordination or Readership...for their instructors & all who support them. For Mark, our Bishop. For our brothers & sisters throughout the Diocese as we keep the 12 Days! For Inverness Street Pastors. For our sister Dioceses (Quebec, Canada & Tuam, Killala and Achonry, Ireland).

OUR CHURCH & COMMUNITY FAMILY & FRIENDS

For Hugh Anderson Grant who is baptised today and for his parents and Godparents. For Mark W & loved ones. For Janet S as she studies for ordination. For those whose relationships / marriages are struggling. Pray for our Granny in Guatemala: Santos De La Cruz Mendez. Pray for our Sunday Club in St Regulus'. For our Teen Gatherings. For James and his work in Biblical translation in Nigeria. For all we know to be in need of our prayers.

OUR PRAYER CYCLE

Could those who have requested prayers please get in touch and let me know if there is still a need and they would like to continue? It would be good to update ©

A DAILY PRAYER for the WEEK

As we remember how the Magi knelt before our Saviour. Let us also worship him with great joy, and pray:

- Lord, save us in our need.

King of nations, the wise men came from the East to worship you: grant us the true spirit of adoration and submission.

- Lord, save us in our need.

King of glory, your people look to you for judgement: grant an abundance of justice and peace to our world.

-Lord, save us in our need.

King of ages, your word is ever powerful: may it penetrate our hearts and lives today.

- Lord, save us in our need.

King of justice, show your love for the poor and the powerless; strengthen those who are suffering. – *Lord, save us in our need.*

King of heaven, hope of all who trust in you; give to the faithful departed the wonders of your salvation.

– Lord, save us in our need.

In a moment of silence, call to mind the concerns of your own heart with those listed above and lift them up to God. Conclude with the Lord's Prayer.

THIS WEEK MONDAY 12:15pm : Eucharist in Inverness Cathedral TUESDAY No Tuesday Eucharist till further notice. WEDNESDAY 10am – 1pm : Charity Shop THURSDAY : 10:00am : Eucharist in St Andrew's. 7:00pm : Meditation Group in St Andrew's Vestry FRIDAY 8:30am : Celtic Morning Prayer in St Regulus' SATURDAY 10am – 1pm : Charity Shop

NEXT SUNDAY 12 JANUARY 2020 BAPTISM of the LORD

9:45am Eucharist in St John's9:45am Eucharist in St Regulus'11:30am Eucharist in St Andrew's

Readers & Intercessors

(Is 42:1-9 / Ps 29 / Acts 10:34-43 / Matt 3:13-17) St J : Alan D / Jackie M / Bridie G / Isla C St A : Joan D / Betty M / Ramsay M / Simon S

THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH

for all your kind and very generous gifts to me over Christmastide. It takes me the 12 days to open them! You are all so kind! Please know that, this year, I have split what I would normally spend on Xmas presents between the Erskine Charity which helps our veterans and the Centrepoint Charity which serves homeless young people. HELP! I have opened a beautiful set of coasters....but there was no tag or card attached! Who can I thank?

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant, O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem; come, and behold him, born the King of angels; O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

> God from God, Light of Light, lo! he abhors not the Virgin's womb; Ver-y God Be-gotten not created; *O come, let us adore him...*

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation, sing, all ye citizens of heaven above; glory to God, in.. the.. highest; *O come, let us adore him...*

Lo! star led chieftains, Magi, Christ adoring, Offer Him incense, gold, and myrrh; We to the Christ Child bring our hearts' oblations. *O come, let us adore him...*