

Notices for this Week

Day	Time	Place	Event
Sunday	6.30 pm	Church	Epiphany Carols by Candlelight
Monday	11 am	Church	Funeral of Margaret Greenwell
Tuesday	10 am	Church	Mothers' Union Monthly Corporate Eucharist followed by AGM and review of the year. Programmes for the new year will be available; all welcome.
	1 pm	Church	Funeral of Betty Ward
Saturday	3.30 pm	Church	Eucharist <i>Please note the later time</i>

Other Dates

Wednesday Lunchtime Concerts These will restart on **17 January** at the usual time of 1.20 pm.

Choral Evensong The first Choral Evensong of the new year will take place at 6 pm on **28 January** and will anticipate the feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple, or Candlemas.

*All material for the notices should be sent to **Philip Riley**, either by email (pgroc@tiscali.co.uk) or via the red box outside the sacristy. Material in the red box needs to be received by 1 pm on **Thursday**; emailed material by Friday 1 pm. Please also inform Philip if you would like a copy of the pew sheet emailed to you. (The pew sheet is also available on our website: www.uppinghamchurch.co.uk.)*

PLEASE TAKE THIS PEW SHEET AWAY WITH YOU FOR REFERENCE



SS Peter & Paul UPPINGHAM

Welcome

Week beginning 7 January 2018

The Epiphany of Our Lord

8 am Holy Communion (BCP)

Celebrant **Fr James Saunders**

10.30 am Sung Eucharist (CW)

Celebrant

Fr Peter Holmes

Preacher

Fr Peter Holmes

Reader

Sarah Price

Intercessors

Alec and Caroline Crombie

Eucharistic Assistants

Richard Cole, Anthony Morse, Elaine Woodhead

SUNG EUCHARIST

Setting Thorne, Mass of St Thomas

Processional Hymn *95 Bethlehem, what greater city*

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,

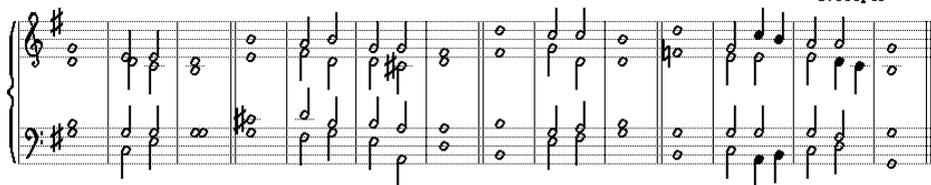
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 60: 1–6

Psalm 72: 10–15

G. Cooper



- 10 The kings of Tharsis and of the ' isles . shall give ' presents : the kings of Arabia and ' Saba ' shall bring ' gifts.
- 11 All kings shall ' fall down be'fore him : all ' nations shall ' do him ' service.
- 12 For he shall deliver the ' poor .when he ' crieth : the needy also and ' him that ' hath no ' helper.
- 13 He shall be favourable to the ' simple and ' needy : and shall pre'serve the ' souls of the ' poor.
- 14 He shall deliver their souls from ' falsehood and ' wrong : and dear shall their ' blood be ' in his ' sight.
- 15 He shall live, and unto him shall be given of the ' gold of A'rabia : prayer shall be made ever unto him and ' daily shall ' he be ' praised.

Epistle Ephesians 3: 1–12

Gradual Hymn 76 2nd tune *Love came down at Christmas*

Gospel Matthew 2: 1–12

Offertory Hymn 59 *Angels from the realms of glory*

Anthem Warlock, *Bethlehem Down*

'When He is King we will give Him the Kings' gifts,
Myrrh for its sweetness, and gold for a crown,
Beautiful robes,' said the young girl to Joseph
Fair with her first-born on Bethlehem Down.

Bethlehem Down is full of the starlight –
Winds for the spices, and stars for the gold,
Mary for sleep, and for lullaby music
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

When He is King they will clothe Him in grave-sheets,
Myrrh for embalming, and wood for a crown,
He that lies now in the white arms of Mary
Sleeping so lightly on Bethlehem Down.

Here He has peace and a short while for dreaming,
Close-huddled oxen to keep Him from cold,
Mary for love, and for lullaby music
Songs of a shepherd by Bethlehem fold.

Bruce Blunt

Postcommunion 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.**

Recessional Hymn 96 1st tune *Brightest and best of the sons of the morning*

General Notices

Helipads for Helicopters: a Reminder We are still collecting aluminium cans, clean cooking foil and clean cooking foil dishes/trays – see receptacle at the back of the church.

Readings for next Sunday (Epiphany II) | Samuel 3: 1–10[11–20]; Revelation 5: 1–10; John 1: 43–end

Pause for Reflection

Long ago, when our faith was young, the Epiphany was celebrated as Christ's baptismal time. Four hundred years later, it became the feast of the Manifestation of Jesus as the Christ or redeemer of the Gentiles. A flood of divine light poured through the universe to make him plain to us. St Paul found it all rather a puzzle, this light which lightened every man. This light that began as a star, and continues to illuminate everything we do or say.

And then there are the words that Thomas Hardy loved more than anything else in the Bible, and which are written on his memorial window in Stinsford Parish Church. He was probably flinching from noisy preaching and the pulpit generally when he heard that the Lord was not in the wind or in the earthquake or the fire, but in the still small voice.

Ronald Blythe