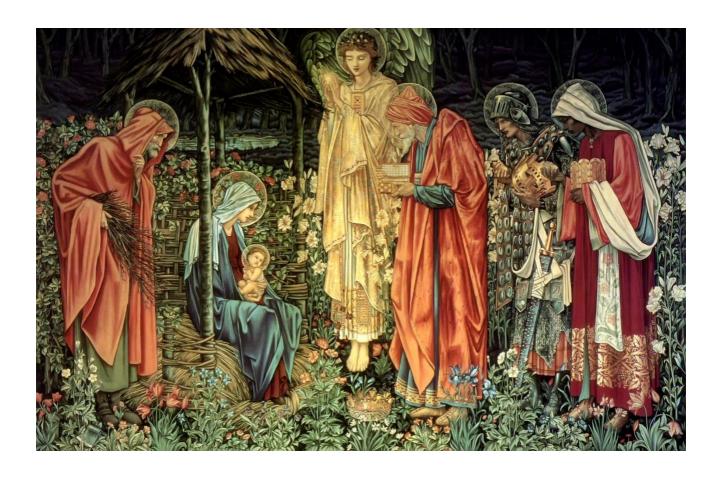


Sung Eucharist



Sunday 3rd January 2020 at 11.00 am

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST (transferred)

Organ Music JS Bach Adagio e dolce

WELCOME - Fr Stephen

¶ Please sit

THE INTROIT

BEHOLD, he appeareth, the Lord and Ruler: and in his hand the kingdom, and power, and dominion. *Ps.* Give the King thy judgements, O God: and thy righteousness unto the King's Son. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Behold, he appeareth . . .

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

▲ LMIGHTY God,

Aunto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: Hear, O Israel, The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength. This is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this: Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

Lord have mercy upon us and write all these thy laws in our hearts, we beseech thee.

Let us pray.

THE COLLECT FOR THE SOVEREIGN

ALMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is everlasting, and power infinite: Have mercy upon the whole Church; and so rule the heart of thy chosen servant ELIZABETH, our Queen and Governor, that she (knowing whose minister she is) may above all things seek thy honour and glory: and that we, and all her subjects (duly considering whose authority she hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey her, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

GOD, who by the leading of a star didst manifest thy only-begotten Son to the Gentiles: Mercifully grant, that we, which know thee now by faith, may after this life have the fruition of thy glorious Godhead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EPISTLE (read by Sarah Eastwood)

The Epistle is written in the third chapter of the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians, beginning at the first verse.

FOR this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles; if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God, which is given me to you-ward: How that by revelation he made known unto me the mystery (as I wrote afore in few words, whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ) which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy Apostles and Prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellow-heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ, by the Gospel: whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ: to the intent, that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the Church the manifold wisdom of God, according to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord: In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

Here endeth the Epistle.

¶ Please stand

THE GRADUAL

ALL they from Saba shall come, bringing gold and incense: and shall shew forth the praises of the Lord. Arise and shine, O Jerusalem: for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

THE GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel is written in the second chapter of the Gospel according to St Matthew, beginning at the first verse.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

HEN Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea, in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them, where Christ should be born. And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, And thou, Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor that shall rule my people Israel. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, inquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go, and search diligently for the young child, and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. When they had heard the king, they departed; and lo, the star which they saw in the east went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

¶ Please remain standing

THE NICENE CREED (sung by the choir to the setting by Merbecke)

BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from

heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE SERMON – Ben O'Neill Assistant Chaplain, Stamford School

THE OFFERTORY

The Kings of Tharsis and of the isles shall give presents; the Kings of Arabia and Saba shall bring gift: all Kings shall fall down before him; all nations shall do him their service.



Offertory Hymn NEH 50 From the eastern mountains

- FROM the eastern mountains
 Pressing on they come,
 Wise men in their wisdom,
 To his humble home;
 Stirred by deep devotion,
 Hasting from afar,
 Ever journeying onward,
 Guided by a star.
- 2 There their Lord and Saviour As an infant lay, Wondrous light that led them Onward on their way, Ever now to lighten Nations from afar, As they journey homeward By that guiding star.
- 3 Thou who in a manger
 Once hast lowly lain,
 Who dost now in glory
 O'er all kingdoms reign,
 Gather in the peoples,
 Who in lands afar
 Ne'er have seen the brightness
 Of thy guiding star.

- 4 Gather in the outcasts,
 All who've gone astray,
 Throw thy radiance o'er them,
 Guide them on their way;
 Those who never knew thee,
 Those who've wandered far,
 Guide them by the brightness
 Of thy guiding star.
- 5 Onward through the darkness Of the lonely night, Shining still before them With thy kindly light, Guide them, Jew and Gentile, Homeward from afar, Young and old together, By thy guiding star.
- 6 Until every nation, Whether bond or free, 'Neath thy star-lit banner, Jesu, follows thee, O'er the distant mountains To that heavenly home Where nor sin nor sorrow Evermore shall come.

THE INTENTIONS

... Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here on earth:

THE PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH MILITANT

ALMIGHTY and ever living God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian kings, princes and governors; and specially thy servant Elizabeth our Queen; that under her we may be godly and quietly governed: and grant unto her whole council, and to all that are put in authority under her, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

Amen.

THE INVITATION TO CONFESSION

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

THE CONFESSION

▲ LMIGHTY God,

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; + pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

HEAR what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him. Come unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. Hear also what Saint Paul saith. This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the

world to save sinners. Hear also what Saint John saith. If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

¶ Please stand

THE SURSUM CORDA (sung by Fr Stephen and the choir)

THE Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing:

HOLY, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. + Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. (sung by the choir to the setting by Merbecke)

¶ Please sit

THE PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again: Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that by the power of the Holy Spirit, we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed + Body and Blood: Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: *Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you; Do this in remembrance of me*. Likewise, after supper, he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying: *Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Amen.*

THE AGNUS DEI (sung by the choir to the setting by Merbecke)

Chamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

THE COMMUNION ANTIPHON

E have seen his star in the East: and are come with our offerings to worship the Lord.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

Amen.

In accordance with the Anglican tradition, Holy Communion is administered in both kinds i.e the consecrated Bread and Wine. During the current pandemic, this can only be offered by intinction ie the consecrated wafer dipped in the consecrated wine, as the sharing of the Common Cup (Chalice) by sipping the consecrated wine is not permitted.

 \P Please come forward to receive the Holy Communion, maintaining a circular movement around the church

Communion Anthem

Trad: The Coventry Carol

Hymn NEH 46 Why impious Herod

WHY, impious Herod, shouldst thou fear Because the Christ is come so near? He who doth heavenly kingdoms grant Thine earthly realm can never want.

- 2 Lo, sages from the East are gone To where the star hath newly shone: Led on by light to Light they press, And by their gifts their God confess.
- 3 The Lamb of God is manifest Again in Jordan's water blest, And he who sin had never known By washing hath our sins undone.
- 4 Yet he that ruleth everything Can change the nature of the spring, And gives at Cana this for sign— The water reddens into wine.
- 5 Then glory, Lord, to thee we pay For thine Epiphany to-day; All glory through eternity To Father, Son, and Spirit be. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that 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.

THE PRAYER OF OBLATION

ORD and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this Holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

Amen.

THE GLORIA (sung by the choir to the setting by Merbecke)

CLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE BLESSING

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, + the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Recessional Hymn NEH 36 The First Nowell

THE first Nowell the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay, keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep:
Nowell, Nowell, Nowell,
Born is the King of Israel.

- 2 They looked up and saw a star, Shining in the east, beyond them far: And to the earth it gave great light, And so it continued both day and night:
- 3 And by the light of that same star, Three Wise Men came from country far; To seek for a king was their intent, And to follow the star wheresoever it went:

- 4 This star drew nigh to the north-west; O'er Bethlehem it took its rest, And there it did both stop and stay Right over the place where Jesus lay:
- 5 Then entered in those Wise Men three, Full reverently upon their knee, And offered there in his presence Both gold and myrrh and frankincense:
- 6 Then let us all with one accord Sing praises to our heavenly Lord, That hath made heaven and earth of naught, And with his blood mankind hath bought:

Organ Voluntary

JS Bach Prelude and Fugue in D minor

Music for private reflection John Sheppard Reges Tharsis

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vqJfi_ANLak

Text and music: https://www.cpdl.org/wiki/images/c/c0/Sheppard-RegesTharsis.pdf

