

**All Saints' North Hillingdon**  
**19<sup>th</sup> Jan 2025 - Week of**  
**Prayer for Christian Unity**



Do you think of God as like a husband? Isaiah says we were like a forsaken young woman, now is a bride, whom God, like a young man, delights in. In John's Gospel Jesus reveals his glory at a wedding feast, turning water into wine. Both John and Paul in their letters talk about the Church and Christians being 'the bride of Christ'. I recently listened to a talk about the C19th Baptist preacher, Charles Spurgeon, who used to frequent preach using the Song of Songs about how Christ's love is tender, faithful, and overwhelming in its intensity for his people, a love that should give us confidence and joy, even in times of doubt or struggle. Our Corinthian passage reminds us that the church is made up of different people with different gifts, that God works through us all, and that we all have a place in his Kingdom. What a wonderful God we serve.

**HYMNS AT 10 O'CLOCK**

<b>Gathering</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>God of grace and God of glory</b>
<b>Gradual</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>Lord, the Light of your Love</b>
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>Will you come and follow me</b>
<b>Comm'n</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>O love that wilt not let me go</b>
<b>Sending</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>Stand up, stand up for Jesus</b>

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

<b>Wednesday 10am</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Cake, Coffee and Chat in Hall</b>
<b>Holy Communion</b>		
<i>Deanery Evening Prayer service St Matthew Yiewsley on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 5:30pm</i>		
<b>Social Event Dates for 2025:</b>		
<b>8<sup>th</sup> March</b>	-	<b>Quiz night 7.30 in hall</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup> May</b>	-	<b>Live music and Dancing night</b>
<b>5<sup>th</sup> July</b>	-	<b>Summer Fete 12 to 3pm</b>
<b>Lent and Easter Dates:</b>		
<b>5<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	-	<b>Ash Wednesday 7.30 pm</b>
<b>30<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	-	<b>Mothering Sunday</b>
<b>13<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	-	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	-	<b>Maundy Thursday 7.30 pm</b>

<b>18<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	-	<b>Good Friday (walk + vigil)</b>
<b>20<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	-	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
<b>29<sup>th</sup> May:</b>	-	<b>Ascension Day</b>
<b>8<sup>th</sup> June :</b>	-	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>
<b>15<sup>th</sup> June:</b>	-	<b>Trinity Sunday</b>

**Prayer ministry training** Tues 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> Feb 7:30pm at St Matthew's Yiewsley – see Rev Ulric.

**GIVING/ BOILER UPDATE**

Our 40-year-old boiler is no longer serviceable. We continue to look at either boiler replacement or infrared electric heating options. All options involve spending, so it would warm our hearts and bodies if you would consider increasing your weekly offering, or giving a one-off donation to:

**"All Saints Church Hillingdon Parish Church"**

**Sort Code: 20-89-16 a/c number: 00107344**

*(please fill in a gift-aid form so we can re-claim tax)*

**THIS WEEK'S INTERCESSIONS: We lift up to the Lord those who have asked for our prayers;**

*Mark Callaghan, Michael Worrell, Simon Matthews, David Rance, Hazel & Helen Parris, John Clarke, Mabel and Tony Poon-Jones, James Wills, Lyn Prior, Lynn Taylor. May they know his grace, strength, blessing, healing and salvation.*

**We give thanks for the lives of who have died**

**around this time:** *Matilda Deer, Arthur Brooks, Charles Arthur Aitkins, Millicent Barrington, Charles Cooley, John Maunder, Iris Rogers, David John Burr.*

**Call for MAGAZINE EDITORS and CONTENT**

*We are still looking for a permanent editor for the church magazine, so if anyone feels inspired to edit or contribute articles, let us know.*

[saintsalive.editor@gmail.com](mailto:saintsalive.editor@gmail.com)

**VISITS / HOME COMMUNION**

If you know of anyone who needs a home or hospital visit, Holy communion or prayer, please let me know; Rev Ulric Gerry 07909 127 929

[ulricgerry@icloud.com](mailto:ulricgerry@icloud.com)

**SOCIAL ACTION:** email our MP on recent issues:

[danny.beales.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:danny.beales.mp@parliament.uk)

**Parish Website:** [www.allsaintsnorthhilligdon.co.uk](http://www.allsaintsnorthhilligdon.co.uk)

**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/ASHillingdon](https://www.facebook.com/ASHillingdon)



# Sunday

19 January 2025 Second Sunday of Epiphany

## COLLECT

Almighty God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature by  
the riches of your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your heavenly glory;  
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.

## FIRST READING Isaiah 62:1-5

*A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.*

The LORD says this: For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the LORD delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

## PSALM Psalm 36:5-10

**R** *With you, O God, is the well of life.*

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.  
Your righteousness stands like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep;

you, Lord, shall save both man and beast. **R**

How precious is your loving mercy, O God!

All mortal flesh shall take refuge under the shadow of your wings. They shall be satisfied with the abundance of your house; they shall drink from the river of your delights. **R**

For with you is the well of life and in your light shall we see light. O continue your loving-kindness to those who know you and your righteousness to those who are true of heart. **R**

## SECOND READING

### 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

*A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.*

Concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses

## GOSPEL John 2:1-11

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

There was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

## POST COMMUNION

God of glory,  
you nourish us with your Word  
who is the bread of life:  
fill us with your Holy Spirit  
that through us the light of your glory  
may shine in all the world.  
We ask this in the name of  
Jesus Christ our Lord.



With you, O God, - is the well - of life.