

These are the readings for Morning Prayer Epiphany

Please use in conjunction with Morning Prayer

Monday

Psalm 71
Isaiah 60.13–end
John 1.43–end

Thursday

Psalm 99
Isaiah 63.7–end
1 John 3

Tuesday

Psalm 48
Isaiah 61
John 2.1–12

Friday

Psalm 46
Isaiah 64
1 John 4.7–end

Wednesday

Psalm 132
Isaiah 62
John 2.13–end

Saturday

Psalm 148
Isaiah 65.1–16
John 3. 22-30

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Epiphany

Welcome to the Priory and to our Sunday services. A very special welcome to those who are worshipping with us for the first time.

The Priory - 4th January 2026

8.00am Holy Communion BCP
Celebrant The Reverend Nick Devenish

9.30am Family Service
The Reverend Nick Devenish

10.30am Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Reverend Nick Devenish
Preacher Mrs Dianne Maguire
Setting: The Addington Service
- Shephard
Hymn: 83 As with gladness
Reading: Ephesians 3.1-12
Gradual Hymn: 85 Earth has many a noble city
Gospel: Matthew 2.1-12
Offertory Hymn: 86 From the eastern mountains
Comm: A New Year Carol - Britten
Post Communion Hymn: 91 We three kings of orient are
Recessional: Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern - Buxtehude

3.30pm Choral Evensong BCP
The Reverend Nick Devenish
Responses - Ayleward
Psalm 98 Chant:
First Reading: Isaiah 60.1-9
Office Hymn: 84 Brightest and best
Magnificat: Self in G
Second Reading: John 2.1-11
Nunc Dimittis: Self in G
Anthem: The Crown of Roses
- Tchaikovsky
Final Hymn: 44 Angels from the realms (omit v4)
Recessional: Les mages - Messiaen

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For Our Prayers

Epiphany

Creator of the heavens,
who led the Magi by a star
to worship the Christ-child:
guide and sustain us,
that we may find our journey's end
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Post Communion

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.

The Morning Service Readings

First Reading

Ephesians 3.1-12

I, Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich

variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 2.1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage. When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage. When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.