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Ardal Cenhadaeth Elwy Mission Area



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7th January 2018 – The EPIPHANY of Our Lord

Today's services:

8am Holy Eucharist

at the Cathedral

(The Service begins on Page 157)

9.30am The Parish Eucharist

Hymns: 724, 49, 419

11am The Cathedral Eucharist

(The Service begins of Page 23)

Hymns: See Service Booklet

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Mass: Stanford in C and F

Psalm: 72. 10-15

Motet: No Small Wonder, Paul Edwards

Preacher: The Precentor

Voluntary: Epiphany, Gaston Litaize

11am Christingle at the Parish Church

3.30pm Choral Evensong

Introit: The Exeter Carol, Tony Connett

Processional Hymn: 309 (vv. 1,2,4,6)

Responses: Smith

Psalm: 100

Office Hymn: 52

Setting: Stanford in C

Anthem: Excerpts from "Christus", Felix
Mendelssohn

Hymn: 47 (v.3 Choir only)

Voluntary: Toccata: March des Rois, Pierre
Cochereau

Welcome to St Asaph Cathedral and St Asaph Parish Church today. We warmly invite all those who are baptised to receive Holy Communion with us this morning. (Children at the discretion of parents). Before the service: spend some time in quiet prayer, preparing to meet the Lord in this act of worship.

Collect

Gracious 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.**

Isaiah 60. 1-6

A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah.

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

This is the word of the Lord:

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 72. 10-15

***R:* O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness**

The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute; the kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring gifts. All kings shall fall down before him; all nations shall do him service. ***R:***

For he shall deliver the poor that cry out, the needy and those who have no helper. He shall have pity on the weak and poor; he shall preserve the lives of the needy. ***R:***

He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, and dear shall their blood be in his sight. Long may he live; unto him may be given gold from Sheba; may prayer be made for him continually and may they bless him all the day long. ***R:***

Ephesians 3. 1-12

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

This is the reason that 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.

This is the word of the Lord:
Thanks be to God.

Matthew 2. 1-12

Listen to the Gospel of Christ according to Saint Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord.

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.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord Jesus Christ, to whom the wise men offered their gifts, as we worship you here on earth make known in our lives your heavenly glory; who are alive and reign, now and for ever. **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.**

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Notices

Refreshments. Please join us for refreshments after the 9.30am and 11am Eucharists.

Parish Lunch The Parish Lunch for January (Bod Erw; 1300h; £13.50 for adults, £8.50 for Children) will be held on Sunday 21st. Bookings may be made through John Solbé for both the Parish Church and Cathedral congregations and through the Wardens in the Parish Church and the

Head Steward or Roy Hamilton in the Cathedral.

Newsletter. A new format of the Mission Area Newsletter is available today. Please pick one up from the Cathedral or Parish Church.

Christmas Cards. Heather Fenton has offered to recycle Christmas Cards to raise funds for the Cathedral. Please put your old cards on the box at the back of the Cathedral. Thank you.

The Week Ahead

8th Monday – The Baptism of Christ

9am Morning Prayer
9.30am Holy Eucharist
10.30am Banner Group and Knitting Group at the Parish Church
6pm Choral Evensong
7pm Mission Area Staff Meeting

9th Tuesday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer
6pm Stillness & Prayer
7pm Holy Eucharist

10th Wednesday – William Laud, Bishop

9am Morning Prayer
10.30am Holy Eucharist
6pm Evening Prayer
9pm Sung Compline

11th Thursday – Rhys Pritchard, William Williams & Isaac Williams

9am Morning Prayer
10am Holy Eucharist at the Parish Church
11am Prayer Group at the Parish Church
6pm Evening Prayer
7.30pm PCC Meeting at the Diocesan Office

12th Friday – Feria

9am Morning Prayer
9.30am Offeren
6pm Choral Evensong

13th Saturday – Hilary, Bishop

9am Morning Prayer
6pm Evening Prayer

14th Sunday – Epiphany 2

8am Holy Eucharist at the Cathedral
9.30am The Parish Eucharist
11am The Cathedral Eucharist
11am All-Age Worship at the Parish Church
3.30pm Choral Evensong at the Cathedral

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