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# Ardal Cenhadaeth Elwy Mission Area



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**Gluten free wafers are available** for those who need them. Please inform one of the stewards/sidespersons who will pass the information on to the clergy. Many thanks

## 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019 – THE EPIPHANY

### Today's services:

#### **8am Holy Eucharist**

at the Cathedral

*(The Service begins on Page 157)*

#### **11am Joint Eucharist** at the Cathedral

**Hymns:** *See Service leaflet*

*Mass:* of St Thomas (Congregational)

*Psalm:* 72. 10-15

*Preacher:* The Dean

#### **3.30pm Evening Prayer** at the Cathedral

*Welcome to St Asaph Cathedral and St Asaph Parish Church today. We are a community that seeks to enfold all people in the love of God. If you wish to speak to a priest after the service, if you wish to find a corner to pray, if you wish simply to find some peace, please feel free and welcome to do so. We warmly invite all those who are baptised to receive Holy Communion with us today. (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.*

*If you would like to find out more about the Christian faith please contact:*

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### 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.

For the word of the Lord:  
**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 72. 10-15

**R:** May all nations be blessed in him.



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.

For 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.

**“PANTOMIME”** The coach will LEAVE from the cathedral car park at 6.00 pm sharp on Friday 11th January for the pantomime at Theatr Clwyd. Tickets will be distributed on the coach”.

**Cathedral Giving Envelopes** for 2019 are now available for collection. Please pick them up from the back of the Cathedral.

**The Mission and Worship** Committee of the Parish Church will meet at the home of Carole Derry on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm.

**Christmas Cards.** Heather Fenton will be recycling Christmas cards again this year. If you have any that could be recycled please give them to Heather or leave them in the box labelled for this purpose in the south transept.

**Forget-me-not tea** on Thursday, 10th January from 2-4pm at the Parish Church. All welcome.

### **The Week Ahead**

#### **7<sup>th</sup> Monday – Feria**

9am Morning Prayer  
9.30am Holy Eucharist  
6pm Evening Prayer

#### **8<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – Feria**

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

#### **9<sup>th</sup> Wednesday – Feria**

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

#### **10<sup>th</sup> Thursday – William Laud, Bishop**

9am Morning Prayer  
10am Holy Eucharist at the Parish Church  
6pm Evening Prayer

#### **11<sup>th</sup> Friday – Feria**

9am Morning Prayer  
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6pm Evening Prayer

#### **12<sup>th</sup> Saturday – Feria**

9am Morning Prayer  
6pm Evening Prayer

#### **13<sup>th</sup> Sunday – The Baptism of Christ**

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

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