

**10<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

**Epiphany**

O 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.

10.30am Online Service

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Reverend Becky will preside and preach.

The visit of the Wise Men

Isaiah: 60:1-6

Matthew 2:1-12

**THEMES FOR PRAYER**

**The Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia**

**Families preparing for baptism**

**Clergy and parishes of the Deanery**

**Those who work in the postal and delivery services**

**Digby Road**

## **THIS WEEK AT ST PETER'S**

### **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January**

10am Online Morning Prayer

### **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January**

10am Online Morning Prayer

### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> January**

10.30am Online Service

## **Notices**

### **Church building closure**

Going forward, you will know that we have decided to close the building for congregational worship for this month. We will reassess this decision towards the end of January. This means there will also be no Private Prayer

### **Phone Line**

Our new phone number is up and running for people who cannot access the online worship. Anyone can dial 0121 728 2222, a local number, to hear Sunday's service.

## **Folio Workshop**

FOLIO Sutton Coldfield are holding two creative workshops, part of Echo Eternal's Horizons Festival in the run up to Holocaust Memorial Day, exploring the testimony of Holocaust survivor Agnes Kaposi and how we can take a stand against hatred and intolerance

They take place on Saturday 9 January 10.30 – 12.30 and/or Wednesday 13 January 19.30-21.00. You can attend either or both workshops on Zoom. Participants will be sent the Zoom link once signed up. To sign up for either or both workshops please email [info@foliosuttoncoldfield.org.uk](mailto:info@foliosuttoncoldfield.org.uk)

The workshops will be led by writer Mandy Ross, and hosted by FOLIO Sutton Coldfield. Anyone who is interested in community relations, working against prejudice and intolerance, or simply learning more about the experiences of Agnes Kaposi is welcome to join us. These workshops are aimed at adults. Please see Be the light – FOLIO Sutton Coldfield for more information.

## **Reader Ministry Exploration Evening**

Tuesday 26 January at 7.30pm

Do you know someone who might wish to explore Reader ministry? The annual application and selection process will soon be underway to enter training in late 2021.

The new national vision for Reader ministry describes this licensed lay ministry as having three strands:

- Teaching Faith (in the everyday as well as in small groups and through preaching)
- Enabling Mission (through encouraging and mentoring others)
- Leading in Church and Society (as a confident ambassador for Christ)

You can read the full vision [here](#).

Here in CofE Birmingham this vision fits well with our Transforming Church vision and the People and Places Framework.

The Reader Exploration Evening is intended for anyone wishing to explore,

either for this year or for a future year. It is helpful if the current Incumbent is also present. To book in please email by Friday 22 January.

Catherine Grylls, Warden of Readers, is always glad to talk with anyone about Reader Ministry. Catherine can be contacted by email, 0121 443 1371 or 07566 842044.

Maggie Forknell, one of the three Assistant Wardens of Readers is very happy to talk with anyone who would appreciate the chance to reflect on whether Reader ministry might be the path which is emerging. Maggie works closely with the Warden of Readers as well as being in touch with the Director of Vocational Development.