

COLLECT

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.

FIRST READING 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.

PSALM Psalm 72:[1-9] 10-15

R *The Lord is king; let the earth rejoice.*

Give the king your judgements, O God,
 and your righteousness to the son of a
 king.

Then shall he judge your people
 righteously
 and your poor with justice. **R**

May the mountains bring forth peace,
 and the little hills righteousness for the
 people.

May he defend the poor among the
 people,
 deliver the children of the needy and
 crush the oppressor. **R**

May he live as long as the sun and moon
 endure,
 from one generation to another.
 May he come down like rain upon the
 mown grass,
 like the showers that water the earth.

In his time shall righteousness flourish,
 and abundance of peace
 till the moon shall be no more. **R**

May his dominion extend from sea to sea
 and from the River to the ends of the
 earth.

May his foes kneel before him
 and his enemies lick the dust. **R**

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**

SECOND READING 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 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 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 Matthew 2:1-12

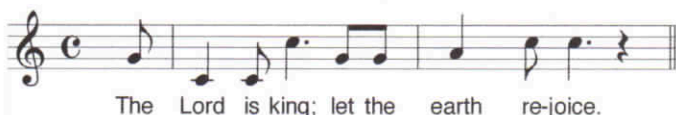
Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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.

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.





Holworthy Benefice

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

6th January 2019 ~ Epiphany

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A very warm welcome to church today

	Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy
Sun 6th Jan, Epiphany	11.15 Sung Eucharist	3pm BCP Evensong	9.30 Sung Eucharist		9.30 All Age Worship
<i>Prayer intentions: For all to know the love of Christ, all who live at Anvil Corner & our lay worship leaders</i>					
Monday 7th Jan					
<i>Prayer intentions: That we constantly turn to Christ for help in our lives</i>					
Tuesday 8th Jan					
<i>Prayer intentions: That we grow more Christlike</i>					
Wednesday 9th Jan					
<i>Prayer intentions: For the recently departed</i>					
Thursday 10th Jan					
<i>Prayer intentions: Honesty amongst leaders</i>					
Friday 11th Jan	No Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION or no cost café Holworthy				
<i>Prayer intentions: Greater devotion</i>					
Saturday 12th Jan					
<i>Prayer intentions: For humility</i>					
Sun 13th Jan, Baptism of Christ			9.30 Sung Eucharist	3pm Plough Service	11.15 Sung Eucharist
<i>Prayer intentions: For those new in the faith, all who live at Aunay Close, Kingswood Meadow & Terrace, our clergy and readers</i>					
Sun 20th Jan, Epiphany 3	11.15 Sung Eucharist	9.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Sung Eucharist		9.30 Morning Prayer
<i>Prayer intentions: For all denominations of the Church across the world, Holworthy deanery synod reps, all who live at Bounds Cross</i>					

Notices

Mthr Elizabeth - on post Christmas Leave 7th-12th January.

13th Jan Plough Sunday - Blessing of the plough - do bring your tractors to be blessed and encourage children to bring their farm toys. The service will be held in Pancrasweek Village Hall

Burns Night 25th January - This is Holworthy Church's main fund-raiser to ensure it can pay all their bills. Do come and also encourage non-church people including corporate clients, family and friends. List to be on a church table at the back of church or have a table of your own. Tickets can be purchased from Mthr Elizabeth, the White Hart Hotel or Thomas Westcott.

Confirmation - If you know of anyone who might like to be confirmed please tell Mthr Elizabeth.

APCMs - the annual parochial church meetings are in March. Please start thinking and praying about any roles you might like to take on in the life of the church. Hollacombe, Holworthy and Pyworthy all need a new churchwarden. New people on the committees are always welcome.

Coming up:-

Wed 16 th Jan	2.45pm	Choir Practice at Ss Peter & Paul Church
Fri 18 th Jan	2.30pm	Hollacombe PCC
Fri 25 th Jan	7-midnight	Burns Night, Memorial Hall
Thu 31 st Jan	7.30pm	Deanery Synod at Market Hall, Exeter

**BURNS NIGHT FOR
HOLSWORTHY CHURCH FUNDS**
25th January, 7pm to Midnight
Memorial Hall, Holworthy, EX22 6DJ

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Live Band, Toasts & Poetry

THREE COURSE MEAL
including beef and haggis and
Whisky & Baileys for the toasts

 **£30 a ticket**
individual tickets
or tables up to twelve

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The White Hart Hotel
Thomas Westcott
Mother Elizabeth Burke