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Sunday 16th January 2022 **2nd Sunday of Epiphany**

- 8.00am Holy Communion St. James, Dursley**
Canon Michael Cozens/Tony King
- 10.00am Parish Communion St. Giles, Uley**
Revd. Jane Wood & Tony King
- 10.30am Service of the Word St Mark's,
Woodmancote** *Paula Rix*

Collect

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of
your grace, and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 62: 1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.

Psalm 36: 5-10

Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
your judgements are like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.
How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.
O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,
and your salvation to the upright of heart!

New Testament Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Holy Gospel: John 2: 1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Post-communion prayer

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Intercessions

Jesus Christ, may the light of your truth shine in your Church and on your world, to give true life and freedom. We pray for those who are ill at this time or in other forms of need, especially those we know. We remember especially Mel, Bob, Janet, Keith, Siobhan, Bernard, Rita, Geoff, Norma, Marlene, Margaret, Joyce, Joan, Nina, Rose, Alisa, Frances, Jeremy, Pat and Phil. Be with them in their suffering, support and comfort them and give them peace of mind in times of trouble. We remember Sue Rushton and Gillian Hewish recently departed, and pray for their families, friends and all those who grieve.

If you would like someone who is currently unwell or in particular need of prayer to be named on the weekly pew sheet, please email the parish office giving the person's name and also your name as the contact

Service Sheet for Worship at Home

If you are unable to join the Sunday services, please do make use of the reflective service for use at home alongside the prayers and readings for the day which can be found on this pew sheet.

If you would like a copy please contact the office
ewelmebenefice@gmail.com

Pastoral Care

Please continue to let Canon Michael (546459), Revd Ian Gardner (546895) or Revd Jane Wood (07983 623525) know of those who need to be contacted or are in hospital and we will get in touch. Marion Kee (860364) or Pat Jones (860696) are happy to be contacted for Uley, Owipen and Nympsfield

Please continue to check the Ewelme Family Facebook page and the Benefice website www.ewelmebenefice.co.uk regularly and if there are members who you know do not use any of these media, please let them know what is going on.

Printed copies of the weekly pew sheet are available to pick up from the porch in St James from Friday lunchtime. The porch will be left open every day. For those who can't come into Dursley, especially from Nympsfield or Uley, please do contact the office if you know of someone who would appreciate a printed copy.



Churches Together.Cam, Dursley and District.

Sunday 23rd January at 6pm

The Revd. Fiona Crocker will lead the Annual Service of prayer for Christian Unity Week via Zoom

Followed by a short forum meeting.

Zoom link to follow.

This week

Mon 17th	1.30pm	Funeral of Sue Rushton, St. Giles, Uley
	6pm	Evening Prayer via Zoom
Tues 18th	7pm	Uley PCC meeting via Zoom
Wed 19th	9am	Morning Prayer via Zoom
	6pm	Evening prayer via Zoom
Thurs 20th	9am	Morning Prayer, St James
	10am	Holy Communion, St. James
	7pm	Living In Love & Faith Course via Zoom

To access the links to the Zoom services go to the website www.ewelmebenefice.co.uk

Services for Sunday 23rd January 2022 Epiphany 3

10.00am	Parish Communion, St. James
10.00am	Parish Communion, St. Giles
6.00pm	Christian Unity Service via Zoom

Morning Prayer in January via Zoom

Morning Prayer is usually said every Wednesday via Zoom. The link can be found by going into our website - <https://ewelmebenefice.co.uk/> - and clicking on the link there. If needed, Meeting ID: 893 3298 0143 Passcode: 899154

Evening Prayer via Zoom

Twice a week, on Mondays and Wednesdays at 6pm, a number of us join together via Zoom for a short 20 minute service of Evening Prayer. We use a variety of styles of service and usually include some music – a hymn or song. Do join us! The link can be found by going into our website - <https://ewelmebenefice.co.uk/> - and clicking on the link there. If needed, the Meeting ID: 893 3298 0143 Passcode: 899154



Ewelme Benefice is planning a quiet day on Saturday 5th March, 2022 at St James Church.

The day is entitled: DRAWING NEARER TO GOD

Come and explore different ways of reflecting on God as we enter Lent. There will be an array of different ways of reflecting including singing, art, poetry, labyrinth, mindfulness, movement and prayer.

More detail will appear in the new year, but meanwhile keep the date free in your new diaries



The Food Bank is now operating and donations are welcome. Uley village shop and both Tesco's and Sainsbury's have food donating points which can be used. Please continue to donate.



THE COURSE
This is now full



ST JAMES ECO BUG HOTEL APPEAL-

We are trying to increase the number and diversity of other species, plants and minibeasts. Over the last 20 years populations of many species have crashed due to our lack of awareness of the importance of nature to our wellbeing and that of the Earth.

Please can you donate bundles of sticks 12" (30cm) long tied with string, rag strips, non-plasticised wire etc are being sought for the church Bug Hotel. Roofing slates, tiles, seedy flower stems, pebbles (if you have them in your garden), chimney pots and terracotta clay fired pipes are useful too.



Stewardship, Parish Giving Scheme, gifts and donations

Very many thanks to all members of our church community who have helped us financially by registering for the Parish Giving Scheme, increasing contributions through the Parish Giving Scheme, sending cheques to the treasurers or making bank transfers into our parish bank accounts.

These acts of generosity are really, really appreciated.

Please visit our website for quick and tax efficient online ways of giving - <https://ewelmebenefice.co.uk/coronavirus/>.

You can also donate directly via on-line banking:

Uley account: Barclays 20-33-83 A/C 43042057

Dursley account: Lloyds 30-98-29 A/C 02391588 Dursley PCC

Live streaming of Services.

We plan to live stream the service of Holy Communion from St Giles on the third Sunday and from St James on the other Sundays in the month. The link can be found by going into our website - <https://ewelmebenefice.co.uk/> and clicking on the link there, or go into YouTube and enter 'Ewelme Benefice' in the Search Box, hit enter and select the service. Please note - the stream will start at about 9.50, the service starts at 10am. After the service the stream will convert to a recording which can be viewed from about 12noon. When there is a stream failure go to the Cathedral service – details in website. To listen to the service by phone through Zoom, dial 0131 460 1196 or 0203 481 5237. Enter the Meeting ID 893 3298 0143 followed by a #, key in # for Participant ID and, if requested, the Passcode 899154 followed by a #. Please be aware that due to technical difficulties, it may not always be possible to provide this Zoom link.

St James wall monument refurbishment work.

Due to the on-going work on the wall monuments the church will remain closed when the contractor is not working. Including Friday and Saturday.

Work started on Monday 10th January and is likely to take up to 3 weeks to complete.

Sorry for any inconvenience.



Social media-

There is now an Instagram and Twitter account for the Benefice.

Please follow the accounts if you use social media and send me anything you'd like me to advertise or share.



Instagram account name is- ewelmebenefice



Twitter account name is- Ewelme Benefice

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