

St Hilda's Ashford



The Eucharist during the Epiphany Season

THIS SERVICE IS BEING LIVE STREAMED VIA THE ST HILDA'S FACEBOOK PAGE

<https://www.facebook.com/StHildaAshford/>

THE GATHERING

Introit Hymn

**Bright the vision that delighted
Once the sight of Judah's seer;
Sweet the countless tongues united
To entrance the prophet's ear**

**Round the Lord in glory seated
Cherubim and seraphim
Filled his temple, and repeated
Each to each the alternate hymn:**

**'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fullness stored;
Unto thee be glory given,
Holy, holy, holy, Lord.'**

**Heaven is still with glory ringing,
Earth takes up the angels' cry
'Holy, holy, holy,' singing,
'Lord of hosts, the Lord most high.'**

**With his seraph train before him,
With his holy Church below,
Thus unite we to adore him,
Bid we thus our anthem flow:**

**'Lord, thy glory fills the heaven;
Earth is with its fullness stored;
Unto thee be glory given,
Holy, holy, holy, Lord.'**

[Richard Mant]

The Greeting

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

All and also with you.

Words of welcome and introduction are said.

Prayer of Preparation – Sit or kneel

All Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayers of Penitence

The grace of God has dawned upon the world
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own.
Let us confess our sins.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,

**through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
☩ pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

**Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,**

**with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

The Collect - *The Collect for the Week is said after a moment of silence*

Eternal Lord,
our beginning and our end:
bring us with the whole creation
to your glory, hidden through past ages
and made known
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

A// **Thanks be to God.**

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.

At the end the reader says

This is the word of the Lord.

A// **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading – John 2: 1 – 11

Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among the nations
and believed in throughout the world.

All Alleluia.

When the Gospel is announced the reader says

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

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.

At the conclusion of the Gospel reading

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

The Sermon – we sit

The Creed – we stand

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being
with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came
down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and
the Virgin Mary and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come
again in glory to
judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the
Father and the Son
is worshipped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the
dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen**

Prayers of Intercession — *We sit or kneel*

Let us pray to our incarnate Lord,
who has brought us out of darkness
and into his own marvellous light.

Merciful Father

**All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE SACRAMENT

The Peace — *All stand*

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace.
Of the increase of his government and of peace
there shall be no end.

The peace of the Lord be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Offertory Hymn

**Come down, O love divine,
Seek thou this soul of mine,
And visit it with thine own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
Within my heart appear,
And kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.**

O let it freely burn,
Till earthly passions turn
To dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
And let thy glorious light
Shine ever on my sight,
And clothe me round the while my path illumining.

Let holy charity
Mine outward vesture be,
And lowliness become mine inner clothing;
True lowliness of heart,
Which takes the humbler part,
And o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing.

And so the yearning strong,
With which the soul will long,
Shall far outpass the power of human telling;
For none can guess its grace,
Till he become the place
Wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

[*Bianco de Siena tr. R. F. Littledale*]

Lord, accept your people's gifts,
not gold, frankincense or myrrh,
but hearts and voices raised in praise
of Jesus Christ, our light and our salvation.
Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

- The Lord be with you
All and also with you.
- Lift up your hearts.
All We lift them to the Lord.
- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All It is right to give thanks and praise.

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,
mighty creator, ever-living God,
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:
for at this time we celebrate your glory
made present in our midst.
In the coming of the magi
the King of all the world was revealed to the nations.
In the waters of baptism
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,
the Saviour sent to redeem us.
In the water made wine
the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.
Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.
Therefore with all the angels of heaven
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name
and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit ☧,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
*Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.*

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:

*Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.*

Let us proclaim the miracle of faith:

All Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Hilda and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Believing the promises of God,
and as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

A/
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.**
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break the bread of life,
and that life is the light of the world.

A/
**God here among us,
light in the midst of us,
bring us to light and life.**

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

Christ is the true bread which has come down from heaven.
All Lord, give us this bread always.

The people and president receive communion.

Communion Hymns

**O thou who camest from above,
The pure celestial fire to impart,
Kindle a flame of sacred love
On the mean altar of my heart.**

**There let it for thy glory burn
With inextinguishable blaze,
And trembling to its source return,
In humble prayer and fervent praise.**

**Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
To work and speak and think for thee;
Still let me guard the holy fire,
And still stir up thy gift in me.**

**Ready for all thy perfect will,
My acts of faith and love repeat,
'Til death thy endless mercies seal,
And make my sacrifice complete.**

[Charles Wesley]

**Take my life, and let it be
Consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days,**

Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

**Take my hands, and let them move
At the impulse of thy love;
Take my feet, and let them be
Swift and beautiful for Thee.**

**Take my voice, and let me sing
Always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be
Filled with messages from Thee.**

**Take my silver and my gold;
Not a mite would I withhold;
Take my intellect, and use
Every power as thou shalt choose.**

**Take my will, and make it thine;
It shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is thine own;
It shall be thy royal throne.**

**Take my love; my Lord, I pour
At thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for thee.**

[Frances Ridley Havergal]

Prayer after Communion

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**

All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Notices are given

THE DISMISSAL

Blessing

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory
and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen

Recessional Hymn

Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,
Whose trust, ever child-like, no cares could destroy,
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.

Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.

Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,

**Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.**

**Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.**

[Jan Struther © Words: 1931, 1982 Oxford University Press]

St Hilda's is a Registered Charity No. 1134119

CCLI License no. 708985

One License no. A-739460

Copyright Archbishops' Council of the Church of England

SERVICE TIMES
Wednesday 19th January 11am
Sunday 23rd January 9.30am

The Sunday service is livestreamed and can be viewed later our Facebook page

Please remember in your prayers this week:

THE SICK:

James Bedford	Pat Kyle	Carla Wells
Robb Clarke	Pauline Lewis	Sheila West
Ann Considine	Chris Maddock	Philip Willerton
Julia Cowley	Mrs McCammon	Chick Wilson
Michael Dixon	Libby Mills	Peter Wilson
Anna Elwell	Raymond Nation	Jo Wood
Jack Everett	Pat Parish	Erin
Peter Garner	Peggy Pinfold	Izzy
Eileen Gilbert	Elizabeth Savill-Burgess	Nic
Juilet Griffith	Delphine Scrivener	Baby Reuben
Alison Griffiths	Riley Shaw	Bob
Vicky Hall	Elsie Stone	Margaret
Jean Iddiols	Roy Stone	
Jane Johnson	Rev. Peter Taylor	

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED

Vera Anderson	Deirdre Puttock	Bridget Kerridge
Baby Eleanor	Rosie Newell	Gordon Victor Morrison (Jim)

THOSE IN OUR MEMORIAL BOOK THIS WEEK

Robert Oldfield	Elizabeth Catherine Gething	Bette Porter
Rita Mabel Boulding	Derek Wilmott	Joyce Titt
Edward Kingston		

NOTICES

The Parish Office is available by phone weekdays 9am – 5pm

Church Opening

St Hilda's is open for public worship services. ***We are operating the ticket booking system to keep everyone safe at this time. Please contact the office if you are unable to book online.***

Day of Service	Booking Opens	Booking Closes	Livestream
Sunday (9.30am)	Monday 9am	Friday 5pm	Yes
Wednesday (11am)	Thursday 9am	Tuesday midday	No

Please remember masks are now mandatory in Church and if you feel unwell, we ask that you do not attend. If you feel unwell within 3 days of coming to St Hilda's please contact us so that we can maintain the health and safety of all who attended the same service.

Community Lunch

The Community Lunch is being paused until 2nd February, if you are able to come forward and help, even once a month, please do liaise with Bobbie.

Bible Study – every Wednesday

The Bible study group will meet in Church at 7.30pm.

Feed my sheep – Tuesday 25th January 2.30 – 4pm

We are back, unless regulations change before our first meeting. The theme is PICK AND MIX.

Turn up, sign in, put a £1 in the pot. Join in and also enjoy cake and tea.

Future dates and topics:

Feb 22nd Whose Bible is it?

Mar 22nd Dead Sea Scrolls and Qumran

April 26th Prayer and Praying

May 24th Popes

Ambling through Acts course – Starts 3rd February

(7:30pm on the first Thursday of each month)

Just as ambling through the countryside gives you time to stop and stare and notice things that you might otherwise miss, so this unhurried but detailed study of the Acts of the Apostles will entail a close reading of the text. We will see the unfolding story of the beginnings of the church through the eyes of the writer, try to discern his purposes, discover new things, and learn that though the context has changed, human nature remains much the same. Hence, the struggles of those first followers may find resonances in our own day as we live out our individual lives of discipleship and participate together in the life of the church.

Everyone is very welcome to attend. There will be refreshments at the end. We will finish by saying Compline (Night Prayer) together round about 9pm. I hope to see you there. Please bring a bible – ideally the NRSV, but any version will do.

Fr Steve

Joint Men & Women Breakfast – Saturday 12th February

The guest speaker at the next breakfast will be Spelthorne MP and Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, Kwasi Kwarteng MP.

Booking can be done via the links on our Facebook page, website or by contacting the parish office.

St Hilda's Kneelers

We aren't currently using the kneelers, if anyone has a sentimental attachment to a particular kneeler and would be interested in having it back, please contact the office by January 31st. Otherwise, they will be used for art project, as shown in the picture.



Pilgrimage to Westminster Abbey – Date TBC

A parish pilgrimage is being arranged to Westminster Abbey, please sign up on the sheet at the rear of the Church or contact the office. A date will be arranged if we have enough interest.

Hope Into Action – St Hilda's House

Homelessness is an integral part of St Hilda's missional engagement with the local community. Simeon will be available today after the service to share about St Hilda's House, a project aimed at providing accommodation to women in need.

St Hilda's News

The January issue is available on our website.

Sponsor a church chair

If you would like to sponsor a chair or trolley, please complete the form at the rear of the Church.

- £90 covers the cost of a chair
- £225 covers the cost of a stacking trolley

Contact Information

Vicar

Fr Joseph Fernandes

vicar@sthilda.org

Vicarage 01784 254237

Parish Office 01784 253525

Mobile 07999 053433

Licenced Lay Ministers

Carolyn Clark carolyn@sthilda.org

Rosalyn Young rosalyn@sthilda.org

Churchwardens

Bobbie Bedford

Frances Forsbrey

PCC Secretary

Denise Buttigieg

PCC Treasurer

Darran Buttigieg

Parish Administrator

Denise Buttigieg

Church Hall Bookings

Chris Davenport

01784 252170

The Parish Office:

St Hilda's Church, Stanwell Road, Ashford, Middlesex
TW15 3QL

Telephone: 01784 253525 Email: office@sthilda.org

Website: www.sthilda.org

Charity Number: 1134119 CCLI: 708985

Follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/StHildaAshford/>

Follow us on Twitter <https://twitter.com/StHildaAshford>